



TOWN OF VINALHAVEN SELECT BOARD

MINUTES

Town Office/Virtual Hybrid
Tuesday, December 13, 2022

Immediately following Special Town Meeting, 5:00pm

1. **Public Hearing – New General Assistance Ordinance** – Tabled for next meeting
2. **Roll Call** – Selectmen Donald Poole, Pam Alley, Donald Young, Leslie Dyer, and Jake Thompson; Town Manager Marjorie Stratton, and Deputy Town Clerk Elizabeth Bunker. Also present: Keith Snow (in person) and John Frumer (via zoom.)
3. **Executive Session pursuant to 36 M.R.S. § 841 (2) to discuss an application for abatement** –
Motion by Donald Poole to enter into executive session at 5:07pm. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

Motion by Donald Poole to come out of executive session at 5:45pm. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.
4. **Approve Agenda** – *Motion by Donald Poole to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Leslie Dyer. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*
5. **Approve Minutes** – *Motion by Pam Alley to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Donald Young. Vote 4/0/1. Motion carried. Jake Thompson abstained.*
6. **Approve and Sign Treasurer's Warrants #24** – *Motion by Donald Poole to approve and sign Treasurer's Warrants #24. Second by Leslie Dyer. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried.*
7. **Communications**
 - a. **Department of Marine Resources – Renewal of LPA Licenses for 2023** - The Board received a letter from DMR regarding the renewal of aquaculture licenses. Comment period closes December 19, 2022.
8. **Speakers from the Floor** – None
9. **Committee and Department Reports/Appointments**
 - a. **Sea Level Rise Committee Resignation – Marcia Cleveland** – The Board received a resignation letter from Marcia Cleveland. This is a five-person board with an alternate. There are two vacancies.
 - b. **Woodard & Curran Status Report** – The Transfer Station project has gone out to bid. Applications for the Maine Bond Bank are due in February so the hope is to have bids received in January.
 - c. **Downtown Project Update** – Easements are in progress.

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10. Old Business

- a. **Town of Vinalhaven v. Blackington – Attorney authorizations** – *Motion by Donald Poole to take no further legal action and to move \$9877.00 paid by Mr. Blackington to Professional Services/Legal Services. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*

There was discussion on doing a review with Faye Grant to make sure all properties are in compliance with the ordinance. There was discussion on the Transfer Station's ability to take more junk vehicles. Public Works Director Millie Martin and Transfer Station Manager Ken Martin have been working with Thomaston Recycling to take vehicles. Thomaston Recycling is asking that the gas tanks be removed and there is a title to the vehicle. Marjorie has given Carl Philbrook more hours to work on removing the gas from vehicles already on the property. Loren and Mike Bunker have said they may be able to move some vehicles as well, but more conversations are needed. There was discussion on requiring the gas to be removed before accepting any vehicles in the future.

Motion by Donald Poole to increase the disposal fee for junk vehicles from \$50 to \$100. Second by Donald Young. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

- b. **Job Descriptions Review and Approval – Public Works and Transfer Station** – *Motion by Donald Poole to approve the updated job descriptions for Public Works and Transfer Station. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*

11. New Business

- a. **Frumer – Sign Boundary Line Confirmation Agreement as approved at Special Town Meeting** – *Motion by Donald Poole to sign the Boundary Line Confirmation Agreement for Frumer/Boom Quarry Preservation Trust. Second by Jake Thompson. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried. Agreement passed for signatures.*
- b. **Quit Claim Deed – Madison and MaKensie Young** – *Motion by Donald Poole to sign the Quit Claim Deed with Madison and MaKensie Young for the tax acquired property as described in Book 5333 Pg. 194, Book 5456 Pg. 181, and Book 5619 Pg. 207 of the Knox County Registry of Deeds. Second by Leslie Dyer. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*
- c. **Airport Lease** – *Motion by Donald Poole to sign the Airport Lease with Waters Aero-Marine Inc. (Penobscot Island Air). Second by Pam Alley. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried. Lease passed for signatures.*
- d. **Contract for Sheriff's Deputy Services** – There was discussion on more transparency with Knox County. Jake pointed out that Rockland Police Department has Press Releases on their facebook page that let the community know what the PD is responding to. Some of the Board members are receiving the daily KSO activity reports. There have been no monthly check-ins (in person or otherwise), or monthly reports received in a long time. There was a consensus of the Board to keep trying to communicate with Sheriff Polky and to trying to schedule a meeting.
- e. **Adopt new GA Ordinance** – Tabled for next meeting

12. **Report of Town Manager** – Marjorie provided the Board with a summary of balances in the Town's accounts, funds, and trusts. The interest rate from The First increased to 3% as of November 30, 2022. Marjorie was able to move funds in a CD at Camden National to Machias Savings Bank with a better interest rate (3% v. 1.54%) and a new maturity date of June 2024.

13. Report of Members – Pam asked if the floodlight above the bathroom door on the Old Fire Hall could be repaired or the bulb changed. It is not working.

14. Adjourn – *Motion by Donald Poole to adjourn at 6:27pm. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Bunker, Deputy Town Clerk

Upcoming BOS Meetings:

January 3, 2023

January 17, 2023