



TOWN OF VINALHAVEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES

Tuesday, April 18th, 2017

Immediately Following Special Town Meeting (6:00PM)
TOWN OFFICE

1. **ROLL CALL** – *Selectmen Eric Gasperini, Pamela C. Alley, Phillip Crossman, Emily B. Lane and Donald W. Poole; Town Manager Andrew J. Dorr; and Deputy Town Clerk Elizabeth Bunker.*

Also present were: Dell Webster, Betsy Hopkins, Bill Alcorn, Linnell Mather, Annette Cash, Gabe McPhail, Margaret Qualey, Eric Davis, Sgt. Lance Mitchell, and Deputy Rob Potter.

2. **MINUTES – Approve the minutes from the March 28th, 2017 Meeting** – *Motion by Emily Lane to approve the minutes from the March 28th, 2017 Meeting. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 3/0/2 – Pam Alley and Phil Crossman abstained. Motion carried.*

Approve the minutes from the April 11, 2017 Meeting - *Phil Crossman asked to amend 7d. to read “The estimated cost of a second level parking structure is \$6.6 million. The Ferry Advisory Board determined that if they had those funds available they would put it into the vessels.” Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve the minutes from the April 11th, 2017 Meeting as amended. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*

3. **APPROVE AND SIGN TREASURER’S WARRANTS #42** – *Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve and sign Treasurer’s Warrants #42. Second by Emily Lane. Vote 4/0/1. Motion carried.*
4. **APPROVE AGENDA – Add Agenda item 12. Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A) to discuss a personnel matter.** *Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve agenda as amended. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*
5. **COMMUNICATIONS** – *Andy Dorr had a letter from Pat Lundholm letting the board know that there is a Paramedic that will be spending time on the island and is interested in helping the ambulance crew. Pat is looking into logistics (available medications and working with PenBay) and will keep the Town updated.*
6. **SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR – NONE**

7. COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS/APPOINTMENTS

- a. Road Commissioner's Report** – *The Board reviewed Dan Bickford's report. Andy Dorr reported that the crew had been working primarily on grading and potholes.*

Waiting on a permit from DEP to begin the sidewalk repair on Main Street near the bank.

8. OLD BUSINESS – NONE

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Knox County Sheriff's Office** – *Introductions made of Sgt. Lance Mitchell. He is attending the meeting at the request of the Board to discuss areas of concern and answer questions. Members of the Board and others present expressed issues with ATV's, speeding, under the influence driving, and excessive noise at night (fireworks, squealing tires, etc).*

Annette Cash asked what we can do as a community to support Deputy Potter and help him resolve problems. Sgt. Mitchell said calling in, either to dispatch or to Potter himself, is important. If nothing is reported, nothing can be done. Sgt. Mitchell said there are grants available and there are opportunities to have additional details scheduled.

Sgt. Lance Mitchell suggested that if we wanted his department to do more in the way of law enforcement, he would see that more is done, but he reminded us that the department has historically been careful not to step on toes out here on these islands and we should keep that in mind.

Donald Poole said that Deputy Potter has done a good job of finding a balance given the challenges of island living. All were in agreement that there is always room for improvement.

Everyone thanked Sgt. Mitchell and Deputy Potter for attending the meeting.

- b. Approve and Sign Annual Town Meeting Warrant – June 21st, 2017** - *Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve and sign the Annual Town Meeting Warrant for June 21st, 2017. Second by Emily Lane. The Warrant was reviewed and discussed with members of the Budget Committee that were present at the meeting. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried. Warrant was passed for signatures.*

10. REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER –

Excavation for the Veteran's Memorial has begun.

Ferry - Andy Dorr has not received word on if there will be any hearings on the islands. New rates are set to take effect in 2018. He encourages everyone to work with the Ferry Advisory Board and express concerns for them to take to meetings.

11. REPORT OF MEMBERS –

Emily Lane asked about the street signs that had been thrown off the Lane's Island Bridge. Andy Dorr said he hasn't had anyone retrieve them yet. He will be ordering street signs from Bangor.

Pam Alley said she knew of a few men that would be interested in volunteering their time to replace the ladders to the float at the Fish Plant, so called. If the Town would pay materials they would donate their time. Pam will have those individuals come into the office and speak with Andy Dorr.

Phil Crossman asked about sweeping sidewalks of winter sand. Andy said it's on the Public Works "to-do" list but they had been busy with grading and road repair. Phil Crossman also noted that the new sidewalk from Leo's Lane continuing down Atlantic Ave. has been dinged by the plow. He suggests placing markers there next year to prevent this from happening.

Donald Poole requested that Selectmen's meetings be held the third and fourth Tuesdays of each month to allow him to be present at all meetings. His work schedule has him out of state at the beginning of the month. There was a consensus of the Board to begin meeting on the third and fourth Tuesday of the month beginning in June.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A §405(6)(A) TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL

MATTER - *Motion by Eric Gasperini to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A) to discuss the Town Manager's Evaluation at 7:50 PM. Second by Emily Lane. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*

Motion by Eric Gasperini to come out of Executive Session at 7:55 PM. Second by Emily Lane. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

13. ADJOURN – *Motion by Pam Alley to adjourn at 7:55 PM. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*

Next Board of Selectmen's Meeting: Tuesday, May 2nd, 2016 at 6:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Bunker, Deputy Clerk