



TOWN OF VINALHAVEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES

Monday, November 27th, 2017

6:00 PM

TOWN OFFICE

1. **ROLL CALL** – *Selectmen Eric Gasperini, Pamela C. Alley, Donald W. Poole and Jacob Thompson; Town Manager Andrew J. Dorr; and Town Clerk Darlene York. Phil Crossman was absent. Deputy Town Clerk Elizabeth Bunker came after the boat got in.*

Also present were: Alison Thibault and Del Webster

2. **MINUTES** – *Approve the minutes from the November 20, 2017 Meeting – Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve the minutes from the November 20, 2017 Meeting. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried.*
3. **APPROVE AND SIGN TREASURER’S WARRANTS #22** – *Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve and sign Treasurer’s warrants #22. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried.*
4. **APPROVE AGENDA** – *Remove Executive Session. Add 8d. Carrying Place Bridge and 8e. Helicopter Ordinance. Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried.*
5. **COMMUNICATIONS - NONE**
6. **SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR** – *Alison Thibault (See 8b), Del Webster asked if any of the Selectmen had been to look at the Thoroughfare float. Eric Gasperini said he had in fact been down on the float and thought it was ok. Del said Foy Brown’s outboard hits under the trim board and is dangerous if someone’s hand is in the way and suggested putting another lower trim board on either side of the float.*
7. **COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS/APPOINTMENTS**
 - a. **Road Commissioner’s Reports** – *Reviewed Dan Bickford’s reports from 11/20-11/22. The 8500 should be going to Bangor this week for body work. Salt is on its way. There was discussion on calcium chloride.
Pam Alley made note of the large pot hole developing by the Union Church.*
 - b. **Wastewater Department – Certificate of Commitment of Sewer User Rates** – *Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve the Wastewater Department Certificate of Commitment of Sewer User Rates. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried.*

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Indian Creek Footbridge** – *Phil Crossman talked with Earl and shared an email summarizing Earl Hamilton's concerns. Jake Thompson asked if it would be possible to sign a longer lease (more than 1 yr at a time).*
- b. **Washington School Building Use Form** - *Andy has not received anything from MMA. Alison Thibault asked if the Town Office might be used as a rehearsal space for the Vinalhaven Players. Eric Gasperini didn't see any problem as long as it didn't conflict with other business at the Town Office.*
- c. **Town Garage** - *Nothing new to report.*
- d. **Carrying Place Bridge** - *Andy Dorr shared an email from William Lane at Gartley & Dorsky regarding the Selectmen's concerns from last meeting (raising the deck height, curve of the road). The Selectmen would still like to see the cost differences.*
- e. **Helicopter Ordinance** - *The Board was provided with an email response from the Town Manager in York on their Ordinance.*

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Plowing Markers** - *Andy has asked the Public Works Dept. their thoughts on placing markers for plowing. Jake Thompson asked about making a "test area" this year to see how well it will work and expand next year if it helps the plow crews.*
- b. **General Wool Monument** - *No discussion*
- c. **Prohibition of Marijuana Discussion** - *The Board was provided with Ellsworth's Ordinance for review along with an article from Blue Hill. There was discussion on whether the ordinance needs to be created at all and on location and current zoning limitations, as well as licensing. It was agreed to add this to the next agenda.*

10. REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER –

The Board was provided with the County Budget, which goes to final vote on December 7. Phil Crossman is attending the Coastal Flooding and Sea Level Rise Conference tomorrow. Andy still has an email out through ListServe re: constable position. Made note of articles in the new issue of Maine Townsman on local police

11. REPORT OF MEMBERS –

Pam Alley - Asked if the Four Fossils should be asked about moving the Eagle and their opinion on how to safely move it without exacerbating the crack.

12. ADJOURN – *Motion by Eric Gasperini to adjourn at 6:52 PM. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried.*

NEXT BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING: Monday, December 11, 2017 immediately following public Hearing regarding the Town Garage 6:00 PM and a Regular meeting December 18, 2017

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Bunker, Deputy Town Clerk