



TOWN OF VINALHAVEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES

Wednesday, January 17th, 2018

6:00 PM

TOWN OFFICE

1. **ROLL CALL** – Selectmen Eric Gasperini, Pamela C. Alley, Phillip Crossman, Donald W. Poole and Jacob Thompson (came at 6:15); Town Manager Andrew J. Dorr; and Deputy Town Clerk Elizabeth Bunker.
2. **MINUTES – Approve the minutes from the December 18th, 2017 Meeting** – 10. Report of Town Manager, next to last paragraph: “There are currently no poles along the road and placing them would require a right-of-way...”; 10. Report of Town Manager, last paragraph: “Andy has sent an email to D&S Jacking about moving the General Wool stone...”; there was some discussion on clarification of the motion made in regards to a new utility truck for the Fire Department.

Motion by Phil Crossman to approve the minutes from the December 18th, 2017 Meeting as amended. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 3/0/1 - Eric Gasperini abstained. Motion carried.

3. **APPROVE AND SIGN TREASURER’S WARRANTS #29** – Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve and sign Treasurer’s Warrants #29. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried.
4. **APPROVE AGENDA** – Additions; 5a. IF&W; 7f. KC Sheriff Report; 7g. EMA; 7h. VHCC; 9c. CADCA Membership; 9d. Single Stream Compacter

Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried.

5. **COMMUNICATIONS** –
 - a. **IF & W** - Letter from Inland Fisheries and Wildlife informing the Town that they have been authorized to purchase/acquire Brimstone, Little Brimstone, and Holden Ledge from the Nature Conservancy.
6. **SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR** – None
7. **COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS/APPOINTMENTS**
 - a. **Accept & Appropriate Donations** – Motion by Eric Gasperini to accept and appropriate \$1,500 to the Ambulance Equipment Reserve; \$1.00 to the Ambulance Education Reserve; and \$1,750 to the Fire Department Reserve. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried. (Jake Thompson joined after this vote)

- b. Ambulance Reports** – Reviewed Pat Lundholm’s report. Andy Dorr let the Board know that Pat Lundholm has mentioned she will only continue her roll with EMS for another year, which prompted the discussion of succession. There is an ad in the Wind for an Open House at the Public Safety Building for people that might be interested in joining the ambulance crew.

Pat Lundholm and Andy Dorr will be attending a meeting with North East Ambulance on January 30. North East is discussing implementing a fee to the Town on top of what is already charged to the patient for transport.

- c. MSFS Advisory Board Report** – There is a Public Hearing next week (Jan. 23) at 6pm in the School auditorium to discuss the new proposed rate structure. It was Andy’s understanding that this is for discussion on rate structure ONLY.
- d. Road Commissioner** – Reviewed Dan Bickford’s report. There was discussion on the flooding at Round Pond. Dan Bickford will work with Pete Farrelly on clearing the culvert and mitigating the amount of sediment allowed into Round Pond.

Phil said he’d only noticed the loss of two of the snow stakes placed along Atlantic Avenue and West Main Street.

- e. Treasurer’s Statement** – No discussion
- f. Knox County Sheriff’s Report** - Reviewed the report from KC. This was a quarterly (Oct-Dec) report since one had not been provided in a while. Pam asked if it was possible to know the results of the incidences (ie: if a summons was issued).
- g. EMA** - Andy provided the draft Hazard Mitigation Plan - comments welcome.
- h. VHCC** - Andy provided the agenda from the Chamber’s recent meeting. They are working on the 2018 Visitors Guide.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Indian Creek Footbridge** – Andy will send out the agreement with new wording to Earl Hamilton.
- b. Harbor Ordinance** – Andy provided the board with the changes to the Harbor Ordinance and will come up with a fee schedule.
- c. Town Garage Update** – Andy will ask Mills for a cost to purchase 1, 2, or 3 acres. Phil asked if we should consider a lease. There was a consensus of the Board to consider purchase only.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Animal Care Facility Agreement** – 3 year contract to continue service. Motion by Eric Gasperini to sign 3 year contract. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 5/0/0.
- b. Helicopter Ordinance** – Andy provided York Maine’s ordinance as an example for the Board to review. The Planning Commission will also review and create an ordinance restricting private helicopter landing/operation on Vinalhaven.
- c. CADCA Membership** - Membership would provide the Town with a good network of resources and trainings to help with addiction/recovery issues. Motion by Phil Crossman to join CADCA. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

d. Single Stream Compacter - Valley Co. came to the island and met with the Waste Watchers committee and visited the Transfer Station. They provided the committee with prices for the dumpsters/containers and drawings of the proposed set up. Kenny Martin thought Xactics might also be used to speed the process, but this would require equipment to move and dump the container to the compacter. A concrete pad would also need to be poured for the compacter to sit on. Andy will see Kevin Moore for an estimate. Donald asked if any of the figures provided by Valley included maintenance. Someone from the committee might know if there is any kind of warrantee/maintenance schedule associated with the compacter. There is also a talk tomorrow (Jan 18) on composting - primarily home composting, but there has been talk about a trial with the school. Dinner at 5:30 with discussion following.

10. REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER – Andy went over his report. He also noted issues with the sewer lines between Oakes and Linda Beans facility on West Main Street in addition to a previous problem closer to the Crew's quarters at MSFS. It was determined not to be an issue with the individual pipes serving the home/business, but in the main line, believed to be caused by the recent extremely high tide.

11. REPORT OF MEMBERS –

ERIC: Noticed the Harbor Master boat was full of snow. Andy said he had already spoken with Marc Candage and it was taken care of.

Asked about blocking up the sluice at Pleasant River to control the flow of water into the Meadow. With the recent high tide there was a lot of water over the road between Mills Pit and FS Walls watering trough.

PHIL: Eagle: Andy said Wes Reed and Hugh Martin had looked at the Eagle and will wait until spring to cut away some of the base. They also will put a wax treatment on the crack that runs up through the eagle.

Galamander: Andy has received nothing from Ron Harvey and will try and call again. Phil is going to Lincolnville soon and will pay him a visit.

General Wool Monument: No response from D&S Jacking so Phil has another jacking company coming out next week for work at the Tidewater. They will come look at the stone and see what they think about moving it.

Law Enforcement: Andy provided the board with estimated costs. Knox County is working on getting figures for having another deputy come out between boats (days) and a second deputy full time.

JAKE: Asked about either having the trash truck come on the 10:30 to allow for more time to get back for the 1 o'clock boat, or changing the 8:45 to a 9 o'clock ferry. Andy said they were asked about this a while ago, but it was more of a cost to pay a driver to wait on the VH side longer and then he couldn't reach his drop-off location before they closed in the afternoon, so there was an added cost the next day.

12. ADJOURN – Motion by Eric Gasperini to adjourn at 7:39 PM. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

NEXT BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING: Tuesday, January 30th, 2018 at 6:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Bunker, Deputy Clerk