

## MINUTES

### TOWN OF VINALHAVEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015

### IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SPECIAL TOWN MEETING (6:30 PM) TOWN OFFICE

1. **ROLL CALL** – *Selectmen Eric Gasperini, Phillip Crossman, Emily Lane and Brandon Osgood; Town Manager Andrew J. Dorr; and Town Clerk Darlene M. York.*

*Also present were Charlotte Goodhue, Pamela Alley, David Brown, Janann Sherman, Clarence Conway, Betsy Hopkins, Allen Skogsberg and Deborah Skogsberg.*

2. **MINUTES**

- a. **Approve the minutes from the July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Meeting** – *Motion by Brandon Osgood to approve the minutes from the July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Meeting. Second by Emily Lane. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

3. **APPROVE AND SIGN TREASURER'S WARRANTS #5** - *Motion by Brandon Osgood to approve and sign Treasurers Warrants #5. Second by Emily Lane. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

4. **APPROVE AGENDA** – *There was a consensus of the Board to add agenda items 5a. MeDEP – Searsport Navigation Improvement Project; 6b. Ambulance Reports; and 6c. Road Commissioner's Report; and to remove 8g. New Public Works Truck Bid Documents and 8h. 2015-2016 Paving Bids. Motion by Brandon Osgood to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Phil Crossman. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

5. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- a. **MeDEP – Searsport Navigation Improvement Project** – *Motion by Phillip Crossman to have Town Manager, Andrew Dorr look into to see if this is the same project that the Board wrote a letter on. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

6. **COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS AND APPOINTMENTS**

- a. **Board & Committee – Appointments & Resignations** – *Motion by Eric Gasperini to appoint Andrew Dorr as Treasurer, Tax Collector, General Assistance Administrator and Deputy Code Enforcement Officer. Second by Emily Lane. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

*Motion by Emily Lane to accept Eric Gasperini resignation from the MSFS Advisory Board. Second by Brandon Osgood. Vote 3-0-1 – Eric Gasperini abstained. Motion carried.*

*Motion by Emily Lane to appoint Andrew Dorr to the MSFS Advisory Board. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 3-1-0 – Phil Crossman voting No. Phil stated he wanted to do it. Motion carried.*

*Motion by Eric Gasperini to appoint Andrew Dorr as a Vinalhaven representative on the Maine Island Coalition. Second by Emily Lane. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

*Motion by Eric Gasperini to accept with regret Heather Reidy resignation as a Library Trustee. Second by Brandon Osgood. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

*Motion by Eric Gasperini to appoint William & Helene Newbold to the Lane's Island Stewardship Committee. Second by Brandon Osgood. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

*Motion by Eric Gasperini to accept Bodine Ames resignation from the Park Commission with deep regret and deep gratitude for her many years of selfless service. Second by Emily Lane. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

*Motion by Phil Crossman to table the ICMC/IMCS Trustee until the next meeting and to call Dinah to ask her to attend the next meeting to discuss it. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

- b. Ambulance Report** – *Motion by Phil Crossman to accept the Ambulance Report. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried. It was again stated that a very comprehensive and thorough Ambulance Report was received.*
- c. Road Commissioner's Report** – *Road Commissioners Reports were reviewed. Dan has asked about installing a temporary canopy over the winter sand stored behind the Town Garage. It was stated cost estimates are needed. Emily Lane asked about the collapsing Main Street sidewalk by the bridge. There was a consensus to bring it up now instead of later in the meeting. Andy stated that there is no clear power of attorney for Robert Indiana and that he would like to schedule a meeting with Robert Indiana, Jamie Thomas, Scott & Melissa Hamilton to discuss and try to reach an agreement. He would like to get a decision by the end of August as this needs to be addressed. Phil asked what options would be available to the Town under emanate domain. Andy to reach out and try to schedule a meeting.*

## **7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None**

## **8. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Re-Commitment Taxes** – *Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve and sign the Certificate of Recommitment of property taxes. Second by Phil Crossman. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried. Certificate was passed for signatures.*

*Motion by Phil Crossman to address agenda item 8f. Veteran Memorial now. Second by Emily Lane. Vote 4-0-0*

- b. Approve and Sign Bank Documents** – *Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve and sign Bank Signature Documents. Second by Brandon Osgood. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried. Documents were passed for signatures.*

### **c. Sidewalks**

#### **1. Main Street - Collapsing Sidewalk** – *(See Road Commissioner's Report)*

- 2. 2015-2016 Sidewalk Projects** – *Eric Gasperini stated we need to plan what sidewalk projects to work on in the immediate future. Brandon asked about sidewalk funding from the State. Andy to look into.*

*Motion by Brandon Osgood to set the sidewalk from First Bridge on Main Street to the corner of High Street and Lakeview Streets as the second priority. No Second. Motion DEAD.*

*Motion by Phil Crossman to do the sidewalk from First Bridge on Main Street to the corner of Main Street and High Street. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

*Motion by Phil Crossman to continue the sidewalk to the Ferry Terminal as the second priority. Second by Brandon Osgood. Vote 1-3-0. Eric Gasperini, Emily Lane and Brandon Osgood voting NO. Motion FAILED.*

*Phil was stated that there are still issues to be addressed and we are not setting perimeters, only setting this area as a priority. The Board voted in a meeting to approve the sidewalk to the ferry. For every 100 that walk from the ferry, 2 walk up the hill. Emily stated more*

*analyst is needed and that we need to bring in the people involved before spending that much money. Need to set the projects for this fall.*

*Motion by Emily Lane to set the third priority to continue to discuss and research the sidewalk to the ferry - researching for additional funding and continue discussion with the Sidewalk Committee, Board of Selectmen and a representative for each land owner. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 3-1-0 – Phil Crossman voting No. Motion carried.*

- d. Town Floats** – *There has been an issue with the 2-hour tie up with both local and out of state. It was stated that we need to amend the ordinance to include no overnight tie ups without a permit. Amending an ordinance requires a Special Town Meeting and would then create an enforcement issue. It was asked to have a Harbor Ordinance Review on a future agenda. There were discussions on the Thorofare Float and the parking issue. Again it is an enforcement issue.*
- e. Airport Mowing – (Mowing Narrows Park – Charlotte Goodhue)** – *Motion by Eric Gasperini to hire David Brown to do the airport mowing and to have him work with Andrew Dorr. Second by Phil Crossman. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

*There was a discussion on the mowing of Narrows Park. Charlotte Goodhue stated there are areas that are collapsing or settling. There were questions on liability. There was a consensus of the Board to have Charlotte work with Andy Dorr.*

- f. Veteran Memorial** – *Motion by Phil Crossman to allow the American Legion Post 18 to place a granite Honor Roll Monument on the Town Property located at Map 18 Lot 80. Second by Emily Lane. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

**9. REPORT OF MEMBERS** – *Brandon Osgood asked about the trash bins in the Parking Lot.*

*Emily Lane asked if there was any word on Brown's Head Lighthouse. Andy Dorr stated there was a question with the real estate transfer tax but hopeful to close this week.*

*Phil Crossman stated there are issues with ATV's on the Main Roads. It was suggested to discuss with the Sheriff. It was stated that it has already been discussed with the Deputy but there are never any calls when happening or they are not being communicated to the Deputy. Andy to schedule a meeting with the Sheriff and Deputy.*

**10. REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER** – *(See attached Memo) We have had a few truck bids solicited. Andy is meeting with Dan tomorrow on the dirt roads. Need to start any fall sidewalk projects soon.*

*TRIO Budgetary & Payroll programs have been ordered and will be setting up training and working on getting the data base set up this fall/early winter to start using on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.*

*The retaining wall at the Transfer Station needs to be address in 3-5 years at the most. Preformed concrete blocks may be the way to go. This is a good opportunity to look at the layout at the Transfer Station. If we look into single stream recycling would also have to look into the cost of another compactor.*

*Need to follow up with Matt on the website update.*

*Need to get an engineer here to determine timeframe and course of action for Carrying Place Bridge repairs.*

*Andy has still been following up on the SHIP Grant. Project is not considered finished until the paving is done.*

*Motion by Brandon Osgood to approve funding Andy Dorr's classes at USM. Second by Phil Crossman. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

*Working with legal counsel on the eviction process on the foreclosed Marriner property.*

*Andy will be meeting with Dan to discuss items that need to be addressed now at the Town Garage. Need to look into a 1-3 year plan.*

- 11. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR** – *David Brown asked for an adjustment for his first week's pay. Motion by Eric Gasperini to pay David Brown the difference as of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015. Second by Brandon Osgood. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried. The Board thanked David for a job well done on the cemeteries.*

*Chris Kolofsky asked for materials for Isle Au Haut Mountain Road. Steve Eldridge looked and promised something would be done but nothing has happened yet. An estimate from Mills Excavation was received for road repairs to the Town Park. There was a consensus of the Board to have Andy and Danny visit and make Isle Au Haut Mountain Road a priority and to apply material for now and to ask Mills Excavation for a new quote for road repairs to Chris's property (Round Turn Way) not to the Town Park for now.*

- 12. ADJOURN** – *Motion by Phil Crossman to adjourn at 8:55 PM. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

**Next Board of Selectmen's Meeting: Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 6:30 PM**

*Respectfully Submitted,*

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*Darlene M. York, Town Clerk*