

MINUTES

**TOWN OF VINALHAVEN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Tuesday, April 28th, 2015
6:30 PM
TOWN OFFICE**

1. **ROLL CALL** – *Selectmen Jack Olson, Eric Gasperini, Emily B. Lane, Brandon Osgood and Dennis Warren; Town Manager Stephen Eldridge; and Town Clerk Darlene M. York.*

Also present was Lucy McCarthy.

2. **MINUTES** – **Approve the minutes from the April 14th, 2015 Meeting** – *Motion by Emily Lane to approve the minutes from the April 14th, 2015 Meeting. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 3-0-2 – Brandon Osgood & Dennis Warren abstained. Motion carried.*

3. **APPROVE AND SIGN TREASURER’S WARRANTS #44** – *Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve and sign Treasurer’s Warrants #44. Second by Emily Lane. Vote 5-0-0. Motion carried.*

4. **APPROVE AGENDA-** *There was a consensus of the Board to add agenda items 6b. Board & Committee Appointments and 8d. Open Bids for the 2000 Ford F-550. There was a consensus of the Board to approve the agenda as amended.*

5. **COMMUNICATIONS** – *None*

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

- a. **Donation – Old Fire Hall** – *Motion by Jack Olson to re-open the Old Fire Hall Reserve Account and to appropriate the Chamber of Commerce donation to that account. Second by Dennis Warren. Vote 5-0-0. Motion carried.*

- b. **Board & Committee Appointments** – *Motion by Jack Olson to accept Robert Wiggin’s resignation as Sealer of Weights and Measurer’s and to appoint Jackson Kinney to fill his vacancy. Second by Emily Lane. Vote 5-0-0. Motion carried.*

Motion by Jack Olson to appoint Peter Gasperini to the Board of Appeals. Second by Dennis Warren. Vote 4-0-1 – Eric Gasperini abstained. Motion carried.

7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. **Dedication & Memoriam for Town Report** – *Motion by Jack Olson to dedicate the 2014 Town Report to Athene Anthony. Second by Emily Lane. Vote 5-0-0. Motion carried.*

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **MeDOT - Modification 1 to SHIP Agreement** – *MeDOT Modification 1 to SHIP Agreement was reviewed. Motion by Jack Olson to approve and authorize Stephen Eldridge to sign the MeDOT Modification 1 to SHIP Agreement. Second by Dennis Warren. Vote 5-0-0. Motion carried.*
- b. **Approve and Sign Liquor License Application – Lindsay Davis d/b/a The Sand Bar** – *Motion by Jack Olson to approve and sign Liquor License Application for Lindsay Davis d/b/a The Sand Bar. Second by Dennis Warren. Vote 5-0-0. Motion carried. Application was passed for signatures.*
- c. **2015-2016 Budget Review** – *Steve Eldridge reviewed the Tax Rate Analysis. The question was asked whether to take some of the capital improvement projects out of the budget or not. Jack Olson stated to leave as is and let the Town decide. It was questioned if we would be able to get sewer and water at the landfill site. Dennis Warren suggested doing the Public Works Garage this year and saving the salt shed for another year. Eric Gasperini suggested pulling the paving for this year and putting \$50,000 into the Paving Reserve. There are several questions that need to be answered before Town Meeting. Emily Lane asked for a clean budget sheet for the next meeting.*
- d. **Open Bids for 2000 Ford F-550** – *One bid of \$7,605 was received from Jason Hamilton. Motion by Dennis Warren to accept the bid for the 2000 Ford F-550, as is, where is. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 5-0-0. Motion carried.*

Dennis Warren asked about the plow and rigging that was originally on the truck that was sold to Randy Farnham. It was stated that it is being stored at Coot's. There was a consensus of the Board to have him make an offer if it is not being used.

9. REPORT OF MEMBERS – *Brandon Osgood asked about the fence around the memorial across from the Library. It was stated that the Lion's Club is working on it.*

Jack Olson stated we need to get the Town floats overboard. It was stated that Mill's Excavation was having trouble with the equipment they normally use. It was stated to call Randy Farnham if Mill's is not available.

Dennis Warren asked about Public Works Service Fees.

10. REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER – *The school is getting new playground equipment so it was asked if the Town would be interested in schools old equipment for the Medical Center Playground. There was a consensus of the Board to ask the Park Commission.*

Questions on boundary lines have been raised with the recent Harbor Gawker Building Permit. Need to have deed's researched before the Main Street Sidewalk Project. Steve to get costs.

The Budget Committee met last night and expressed concerns with the use of just salt for winter road maintenance. Concerns mentioned were possible contamination of water sources; more costs; and rust to vehicles.

Steve will be going to an EMS Billing Conference tomorrow with Pat Lundholm.

As of today, 80% of Property Taxes have been collected.

Steve and Dan Bickford have recently looked at a few dirt roads. They will start grading next week with a training by MEDOT scheduled for the mid to end of May.

Steve asked about moving into the Brown's Head Lighthouse for the summer as he is having trouble finding a rent. It was stated as long as it is short term and Steve is to cover all utilities. Steve received a quote of \$1,900 for the water heater and having the water turned back on.

11. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR – None

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Executive Sessions pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(F) to discuss an Ambulance Hardship Reduction/Waiver Application – Motion by Jack Olson to enter into Executive Session at 7:20 PM. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 5-0-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Emily Lane to come out of Executive Session at 7:45 PM. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 5-0-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Emily Lane to deny Ambulance Hardship Reduction. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 5-0-0. Motion carried.

13. ADJOURN - Motion by Brandon Osgood to adjourn at 7:50 PM. Second by Emily Lane. Vote 5-0-0. Motion carried.

Next Board of Selectmen's Meeting: Tuesday, May 5th, 2015 at 6:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Darlene M. York, Town Clerk