



TOWN OF VINALHAVEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES

Tuesday, October 26, 2021
Immediately following Public Hearing

1. **Roll Call** - Selectmen Donald Poole, Pam Alley, Jake Thompson, and Leslie Dyer; Town Manager Andrew Dorr; and Deputy Town Clerk Elizabeth Bunker. Eric Gasperini was absent. Also present: Elin Elisofon, Alexander Moffatt, and Wesley Reed.
2. **Minutes** - Correct 11b to "...again at the fish plant parking lot." *Motion by Donald Poole to approve the minutes as amended. Second by Jake Thompson. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried.*
3. **Approve and Sign Treasurers Warrant #17** - *Motion by Donald Poole to approve and sign Treasurers Warrant #17. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried.*
4. **Approve Agenda** - *Motion by Donald Poole to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried.*
5. **Communications** - None
6. **Speakers from the floor** - None
7. **Committee and Department Reports/Appointments**
 - a. **Appointment/Resignation**
 - i. **Housing Committee** - Darline Beckman would like to be appointed to the Housing Committee. *Motion by Jake Thompson to appoint Darline Beckman. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried.* Elin Elisofon reported that the Hosing Committee has a meeting next week and the assessment has been completed. They will be discussing how best to publicly use the data collected and information could be used to help with zoning issue changes. There was also consideration to partner with the Land Trust.
 - ii. **Planning Commission** - Wesley Reed attended the meeting on behalf of the Planning Commission with six new items for consideration. SEE MEMO. 1) It was requested that the Commission get an actual average of lot sizes in the Village Overlay District and how many lots will be affected by changing the minimum lot size in said district from 40,000 square feet to 20,000 square feet. 2) Vinalhaven is the only town in Maine that requires a 125-foot sewer setback. It is proposed to change to 100 feet in line with the State standard. It was discussed to plan a public hearing for these items and the revised Cemetery Ordinance.
 - iii. **Sea Level Rise Committee** - Marcia Cleveland would like to be appointed to the Sea Level Rise Committee. *Motion by Jake Thompson to appoint Marcia Cleveland to the Sea Level Rise Committee. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried.*
 - b. **Ambulance Billing Report** - The Board reviewed the billing report. There was discussion on the outstanding AR balance from TG Higgins (who is now out of business).
 - c. **Mid-Coast Economic Development District** - See Town Managers Memo
 - d. **Planning Commission Report** - See 7ii.

- e. **Road Commissioner Report** - The board reviewed the Commissioner's report. The mold issue in the new garage has been resolved. The permit for the fuel tank has been issued. Internet and phone have been installed. There was discussion on getting loads of sand for this winter.

8. Old Business

- a. **Downtown Master Plan/Main St. Improvements Update** - Funds from Senator King and Congresswoman Pingree are still to be awarded, and there may be an opportunity to use ARPA funds. Donald asked for clarification on how much is left to commit. Elin Elisofon asked if there were any plans for the sidewalk and accessibility to the Island Closet and the Sand Bar Restaurant. Plans can be discussed with the engineer. There was discussion on parking and the Clam Shell Alley intersection.

9. New Business

- a. **Road Closures - Winter Maintenance** - *Motion by Jake Thompson to remove Bay View Cemetery Road from the list of closure and approve all others. Second by Leslie Dyer. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried.*

10. Report of Town Manager - See Memo.

11. Report of Members - None

12. Adjourn - *Motion by Donald Poole to adjourn at 7:06. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 4/0/0. Motion carried.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Bunker, Deputy Town Clerk

Upcoming BOS Meetings:

November 9, 2021

November 23, 2021