



## TOWN OF VINALHAVEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

### Agenda

Town Office/Virtual Hybrid  
Tuesday, July 11, 2023  
5:00 PM

1. **Roll Call** – Selectmen Pam Alley, Leslie Dyer, Ladd Olson, Tom Anthony, and Don Young (via zoom); Town Manager Marjorie Stratton, and Deputy Clerk Elizabeth Bunker; also present Millie Martin, Gabe McPhail (via zoom), Elin Elisofon, Ali McCarthy, Dan Bickford, Bill Trevaskis, Kathi Young, John Barbour, and Patty Weeks
  - a. Welcome new members!
  - b. Appoint Chair and Co-Chair – *Motion by Leslie Dyer to appoint Pam Alley as Chair. Seconded by Ladd Olson. Vote 4/0/1, Don Young did not vote. Motion carried.*  
*Motion by Pam Alley to appoint Leslie Dyer as Co-chair. Seconded by Ladd Olson. Vote 4/0/1, Don Young did not vote. Motion carried.*
2. **Approve Agenda – Add 7e. Housing Committee Report, 7f. Public Works Report, and add The Sand Bar Liquor License Renewal to 9b.** *Motion by Leslie Dyer to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded by Pam Alley. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*
3. **Approve Minutes – Approve the minutes from the June 6, 2023 Meeting.** – *Motion by Leslie Dyer to approve the minutes from the June 6, 2023 Meeting. Seconded by Pam Alley. Vote 3/0/2, Ladd and Tom abstained as they are new members. Motion carried.*
4. **Approve and Sign Treasurer's Warrants #2** – *Motion by Leslie Dyer to approve and Sign Treasurer's Warrants #2. Seconded by Ladd Olson. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*
5. **Communications**
  - a. Thank you letter from LifeFlight of Maine
  - b. Notice from Attorney re: Motion to Reconsider
  - c. Letter from Islesboro Selectboard – There was discussion on the Vinalhaven Board drafting a similar statement, using this letter as a template. Ladd suggested stronger wording around impacts to fisheries. The Board asked Marjorie to contact the Islesboro Town Manager and get some more information on the reasoning behind this letter.
6. **Speakers from the floor**
7. **Committee and Department Reports and Appointments**
  - a. Appoint Municipal Officials – Pam read the list of Town Officials to be appointed. *Motion by Don Young to appoint all Town Officials as read. Seconded by Ladd Olson. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*
  - b. Downtown Project Update & Other Grant Proposals – Gabe McPhail was present via zoom and gave a recap of the Downtown Project for the new members. There was a Community Conversation and dinner held at the Vinalhaven School on June 28, that was very well attended (estimated over 100 people there.)

Gabe talked to the Board about a Community Resilience Partnership Grant that the Town received \$50,000 from last year. North Haven has applied this year for a North Haven and Vinalhaven collaborative Fox Islands LED Streetlight Conversion and Community Education Project. The grant will be awarded in September. There would be a Town contribution of \$23,049. The Board agreed to discuss this further at a later meeting.

- c. Ferry Tariff Advisory Committee Appointments – Chet & Cheryl Warren – *Motion by Tom Anthony to appoint Chet and Cheryl Warren to the Ferry Tariff Advisory Committee. Seconded by Pam Alley. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*
- d. Knox County Sheriff's Report – None
- e. Housing Committee Report – Elin Elisofon gave a summary of the Housing Committee's work to the new members. They have received their 501c3 status so this will be their final report to the Town. Their recommendation from the Housing Committee is to partner with Jason Bird at Penquis and utilize the Net Factory site on Main Street to develop affordable housing. A copy of the new Vinalhaven Housing Initiative's purpose is provided in the packet.
- f. Public Works Report – Millie reported that the road stripers have been unable to come due to the weather. They are still trying to come as soon as possible. With all the rain the Public Works has been pumping the broken catch basin in front of Carvers Harbor Market out so it's not such a hazard. There was discussion on parking enforcement, especially in front of the library and around the flea market. It was agreed to talk with Kathy Morton, who organizes the flea market, and discuss options.

## 8. Old Business

## 9. New Business

- a. Donations – FY22-23 – *Motion by Leslie Dyer to accept and appropriate donations to Ambulance Training, Ambulance Equipment, Fire Department, Swap Shop, and Library as directed. Seconded by Ladd Olson. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*
- b. Liquor License Renewal – Skål and The Sand Bar  
*Motion by Leslie Dyer to approve and sign the liquor license renewal for Skål. Seconded by Tom Anthony. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*

*Motion by Leslie Dyer to approve and sign the liquor license renewal for The Sand Bar. Seconded by Ladd Olson. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*

- c. Jeff Tolman Music Award Proposal – Ali, Dan, Bill, and John were all present as representatives of the JTMA. Ali discussed their vision for the event. There was a discussion on alcohol consumption. They do not furnish or sell alcohol. There was also discussion about having police presence. They plan to use the large Lion's tent as well as smaller tents for concessions. *Motion by Tom Anthony to allow the Jeff Tolman Music Award organization to use the parking lot on Main Street for their event to be held August 19, 2023. Seconded by Ladd Olson. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*
- d. CAI Technologies Proposal – There was discussion on the deliverables. *Motion by Tom Anthony to accept the proposal from CAI Technologies. Seconded by Leslie Dyer. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*

- 10. **Report of Town Manager** – Marjorie mentioned that they are still looking for someone to serve on the Maine Islands Coalition. Castle Bay will be using the Band Stand for a concert on July 22. Also mentioned in The Town Manager's memo are the meeting with Northern Border Regional

Commission, Mid-coast council of Government strategic planning with Matt Eddy, meeting with Dr. Jonathan Busko, and the discontinuance of Sailor's Way.

**11. Report of Members -**

Leslie proposed an ordinance or policy for not allowing dogs at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration. There was discussion about it being too hot, noisy, congested, etc. Millie said she would take the discussion to the Celebration Committee.

Pam asked about loaning cones or signs to the flea market to help with parking. There was discussion about how it had been done in the past and working with the flea market vendors to help mitigate some of the safety concerns.

**12. Adjourn -** *Motion by Pam Alley to adjourn at 6:37pm. Seconded by Leslie Dyer. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*

Respectfully Submitted,

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Elizabeth Bunker, Deputy Town Clerk