



TOWN OF VINALHAVEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES

Tuesday, August 22nd, 2017

6:00PM

TOWN OFFICE

1. **ROLL CALL** – Selectmen Eric Gasperini, Pamela Conway Alley, Philip Crossman, Donald W. Poole and Jacob Thompson; Town Manager Andrew J. Dorr, and Deputy Town Clerk Elizabeth Bunker.

Also present were: Del Webster and Alison Thibault

2. **MINUTES – Approve the minutes from the August 15th, 2017 Meeting** – Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve the minutes from the August 25th, 2017 Meeting as written. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 4/0/1-Pam Alley abstained. Motion carried.

3. **APPROVE AND SIGN TREASURER’S WARRANTS #8** – Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve and sign Treasurer’s Warrants #8. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

4. **APPROVE AGENDA – Add Agenda Items: 5a. Henneke Communication, 7a. Librarian’s Report and, 7b. Road Commissioner’s Report.** Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

5. **COMMUNICATIONS** – Andy Dorr received a letter from Adam Henneke who is considering purchasing property located adjacent to the John Carver Cemetery. Andy Dorr has suggested he talk to Maine Water and the Sewer Commission (they don’t meet again until October). There is no stub in place so he needs permission to tie into the system, or if his location allows for connection to the system. Phil Crossman made a motion to approve connection to the sewer and water system pending Sewer Commission recommendation. Second by Jacob Thompson. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

6. **SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR** –

Alison Thibault asked that the speed on Main Street be monitored. She continually witnesses speeding vehicles coming onto Main Street from East Main Street. She is requesting that speed limit signs be put up when entering Main Street while acknowledging that not everyone pays attention to signs. Phil Crossman noted that he has seen increased patrolling by the rotating deputies while Deputy Potter is still on limited duty.

Motion by Phil Crossman to install 15mph speed limit signs at Net Factory Hill and near the Ferry Terminal providing permission from the State. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

While on the topic of signs Del Webster asked about signage along the North Haven road. Pam Alley made a motion to get signs up (ie. Sharp curve ahead) on the North Haven Road as necessary. Second by Phil Crossman. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

Del Webster asked about reimbursing Brad Horn for the culvert they installed on the Crockett's River Road. Pam Alley answered that she would like to see the owners of the property personally appear at a meeting to express their concerns about the cost and installation of the new culvert for the footpath at their property.

7. COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS/APPOINTMENTS

- a. Librarian's Report** - Reviewed Scott Candage's report. Phil Crossman told of a very nice reception at the Library for the anniversary of the addition.
- b. Road Commissioner's Report** – Reviewed Dan Bickford's report. Pam Alley asked that Dan Bickford's reports be available to Crockett's River residents so they can see the amount of time the Public Works Department has spent on the road, along with material used.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a. FY 2018 Goals** – The Board reviewed the list of FY 2018 goals. No additions were noted.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. MSFS Schedule 2018** – There was discussion on changing the Ferry schedule in winter months - on Sundays omit the middle trip and the last ferry leaves at 3:15. It is thought that most islanders appreciate the last ferry leaving at 4:30. Motion by Eric Gasperini to recommend the current schedule stays the same through the winter. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

- b. Ordinance Update Goals** – The Board reviewed specific goals for each ordinance:
Harbor Ordinance
Solid Waste Ordinance
Land Use Ordinance
Marijuana
Quarry Ordinance/Park Ordinance
Fireworks Ordinance

There was discussion on the fee for a Fireworks Permit. Motion by Eric Gasperini to make the Fireworks Permit fee to \$0. Second by Phil Crossman. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

10. REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER –

Andy Dorr met with a member of the Substance Abuse Committee and they discussed having participation from the Board of Selectmen, School Board, and Medical Center Board as a collective group. No issue should be on the shoulders of a single organization.

Andy didn't put Fuel out to bid yet. He has created a spreadsheet on previous usage amounts. He expects to have bids to open at the next meeting.

With Dept. Potter on limited duty we have had coverage from the North Haven deputy and from Rockland. Tim Carrol is willing to come speak with the Board in September.

The Board reviewed schematics of the Carrying Place Bridge. Andy noted the schematic showing the preservation of the granite. There are no cost estimates as of yet. Eric asked for a breakdown on pricing: raising 3' v. current elevation, keeping granite v. concrete, changing the curve of the road v. current alignment. Andy said it would be possible to have an engineer at a future meeting to

discuss options. Jake Thompson asked about a prebuilt option. It was Andy's understanding that because the sub base needs work this would not be an option.

11. REPORT OF MEMBERS –

Phil Crossman asked about the constable position Andy Dorr had mentioned last meeting - what would be the next steps. Andy mentioned contacting MMA and/or the Towns attorney, and he thought that updating ordinances would be part of the process.

Phil found the wording for deputies enforcing town ordinances: Deputies "shall" enforce town ordinances. He asked Andy to make the deputy aware that the excessive noise level of trucks in town is to be monitored.

Motion by Phil Crossman to review and revise the Public Conduct Ordinance on the agenda for the next meeting. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

Phil also asked the status of the Steven's case. Andy Dorr said the judge is aware that this is one of the oldest cases on his desk and both attorneys have asked for judgement. If there is no communication by the end of September Andy believes both attorneys will inquire.

12. ADJOURN – *Motion by Eric Gasperini to adjourn at 7:15PM. Second by Phil Crossman. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*

Next Board of Selectmen's Meeting: Monday, September 18th, 2017 at 6:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Bunker, Deputy Town Clerk