



TOWN OF VINALHAVEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES

Tuesday, May 22nd, 2018

6:00 PM

TOWN OFFICE

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

Also present: Gabe McPhail, Eric Davis, Janann Sherman, Patience Trainer, Martha Conway, Sue Radley, Elin Elisofon, Betsy Bates, Amy Calkins, Vanessa Henneke, Pat Lundholm, and Peter Monro.

2. **MINUTES – Approve the minutes from the May 8th, 2018 and May 10th, 2018 Meetings** – *Motion by Phil Crossman to approve the minutes of the May 8th, 2018 Meeting. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 4/0/1 – Eric Gasperini abstained. Motion carried.*

Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve the minutes of the May 10th, 2018 Meeting as amended. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 3/0/2 – Donald W. Poole and Jacob Thompson abstained. Motion carried.

3. **APPROVE AND SIGN TREASURER’S WARRANTS #47** – *Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve and sign Treasurer’s Warrants #47. Second by Jake Thompson. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*

4. **APPROVE AGENDA - Add 9c. Open Single Stream Recycling Bids.** *Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*

5. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- a. **Woodcock – Cassie – Coombs American Legion Post 18** – *The Legion is asking for a section of High Street and one lane of Main Street be closed off during the dedication ceremony for the Veterans Memorial. The town can request deputy presence.*

Motion by Eric Gasperini to close a section of High Street and one lane of Main Street during the dedication ceremony. Second by Pam Alley. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

- b. **Aging in Place Committee** – *The Aging in Place Committee had been inactive since Island Fellow Kelsey Byrd left, but with renewed activity Elin Elisofon updated the board on their actions. They have created a brochure with resources which will be printed by IMCS. They are seeking Town support (moral and financial) to create an Elderly Services Coordinator position to assist elderly residents in various ways. They have come up with a budget of \$20,000 and are asking the town to support 1/3 of that (approx. \$7000). At this time in the Budget process it would have to be brought to a Special Town Meeting.*

Motion by Phil Crossman to put this on the agenda for June 12, 2018. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

- c. **Rockland line car policy** – *Martha Conway was at the meeting to request a change to the 24-hour line car policy. She feels that in some circumstances the 24 hour time limit is not long enough. She gave the example of having an appointment in Portland and unless one got up very early it would be hard to make it back to Rockland for the 8:45 when you put your car in line the day before. She has contacted the manager at the MSFS and was told to bring it to the Selectmen first. The Selectmen feel it should be brought to the Tariff Committee as it may have more weight coming from them.*

Motion by Phil Crossman to refer this issue to the Tariff Committee. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 4/1/0, Pam Alley voted no. Motion carried.

- 6. **SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR** – *James Knowlton spoke regarding the possible constable position. He realizes it hasn't been advertised yet, but he is offering his availability for that position, and he is open to any questions. The Board thanked him for his interest.*

7. COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS/APPOINTMENTS

- a. **Board & Committee Appointment – Broadband Task Force** – *Motion by Jake Thompson to appoint Donald W. Poole and Eric Gasperini to the Fox Island Broadband Task Force for 3-year terms ending June 30th, 2021. Second by Phil Crossman. Vote 3/0/2 – Donald Poole and Eric Gasperini abstained. Motion carried.*
- b. **Ambulance Reports** – *The Board reviewed Pat Lundholm's report. She elaborated on the new AED's placed at Calderwood's Neck and at the Thoroughfare. She has ordered a special case for the Thoroughfare AED as it will be outside and the case will help keep the battery warm through the winter.*
- c. **"Waste Watchers"**
 - a. **Update** – *Gabe McPhail gave a PowerPoint presentation on the committee's focus last year vs. this year/future. One of their original goals was to work on the layout of the Transfer Station to make for easier navigation and the possibility of scales. They have struggled with a feasible final solution so their focus has shifted to establishing single stream recycling, better accounting, composting, and community education, but will continue to work on layout and burn pile issues.*
 - b. **Data Collections** – *The Board reviewed Pat Lundholm's report on how the data collection/accounting is working (or not working) at the Transfer Station, and issues that have come up since implementing the system.*

There was discussion on a weight based system for household trash & demo and the type/cost for each of those scales.

There was also discussion on the "no cash" rule that was voted on in 2013. This needs to be a discussion with Kenny Martin and Luther Tolman before a definitive solution can be made.
- d. **Road Commissioner** – *The Board reviewed Dan Bickford's report. Andy added that there is an order of street signs ready to be picked up. Dan is looking into patch material for spots on the route to school, Harbor Hill, and the Main Street sidewalk/curb in front of the grocery store. Betsy Bates asked about painting the lines on the road. Andy said they should be here in June.*

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Broadband** – *Eric Gasperini asked Andy to create a list of ongoing projects and their completion status. The Board feels they need to get a better handle on all projects and their completion status and priority.*
- b. **Climate Change Resolution** – *Peter Monro was here as a volunteer with the Citizen's Climate Change Lobby. They are working on creating a bill that will put a price on carbon dioxide emissions (Carbon Fee and Dividend). Peter passed out information for the Board to read.*

Motion by Phil Crossman to endorse the "Maine Climate Change Resolution". Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 3/2/0, Eric Gasperini and Jake Thompson voting no. Motion passed.

- c. **Town Garage** – *Andy has met with Bill and Joy Mills and they are firm on \$40,000 for two acres. They would also like to retain ownership of the road. Andy is working on a spreadsheet with estimated site prep costs but didn't get it completed before the meeting.*

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Change time of Town Meeting** – *Town Meeting will still begin at 7pm, but there was discussion of creating a time for Committee's to set up a table and present what they have accomplished or future goals. There was a consensus of the Board to invite committees to participate and to advertise in the Wind.*
- b. **Constable Position** – *There was a consensus of the Board to advertise the combined Constable/Harbor Master/ACO position in the Wind, pending Town approval at Town Meeting.*

10. REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER – *The Board reviewed Andy's report. He added that Marc Candage estimates \$2,400-\$2,500 to replace hoses that didn't pass inspection (3a).*

11. REPORT OF MEMBERS – *Phil asked if the Harbor Committee had met recently, Andy said no, but would urge them to meet.*

12. ADJOURN – *Motion by Eric Gasperini to adjourn at 7:48 PM. Second by Phil Crossman. Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.*

Next Board of Selectmen's Meeting: Election Day! Tuesday, June 12th, 2018 at 6:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Bunker, Deputy Town Clerk