

MINUTES

TOWN OF VINALHAVEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Tuesday, May 5th, 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. Jack Olson was absent.*

Also present were Bill Chilles, Elizabeth Bunker and Chris Kolofsky.

2. **MINUTES** – **Approve the minutes from the April 28th, 2015 Meeting** - *Motion by Brandon Osgood to approve the minutes from the April 28th, 2015 Meeting. Second by Dennis Warren. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*
3. **APPROVE AND SIGN TREASURER’S WARRANTS #45** - *Motion by Emily Lane to approve and sign Treasurer’s Warrants #45. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*
4. **APPROVE AGENDA** – *There was a consensus of the Board to add agenda items 8a1. Historical Society Budget Request. Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Dennis Warren. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*
5. **COMMUNICATIONS** – *None*
6. **COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS AND APPOINTMENTS** - *None*
7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - a. **Memoriam for Town Report** – *Motion by Brandon Osgood to have the 2014 Town Report in Memoriam of Jeremy Philbrook. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*
8. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. **2015-2016 Budget Review**
 1. **Historical Society Budget Request** – *Bill Chilles, President of the Historical Society stated to the Board that the maintenance of the Museum Building is becoming a huge hardship. The building currently needs a new roof and has many rotting sills and supports. Needed repairs are way above and beyond regular maintenance issues. The newly formed Historical Society Building Committee has met and will be working on a fundraising campaign and applying for grant funds. They are asking for \$20,000 in support from the Town to get them started.*

Motion by Eric Gasperini to add the request of \$20,000 for the Vinalhaven Historical Society to the Town Property warrant article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant. Second by Emily Lane. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.

The Historical Society is currently looking into several options. One suggestion has been the current Public Works Garage (if a new one is built), as this would be a better location for public exposure, more parking area and they could definitely use a bigger display area.

Current budget was reviewed.

The 2015-2016 budget was reviewed. Steve pointed out any recommendations from the Budget Committee.

It was recommended to try to get better pictures or drawings for the proposed new town garage, knocking it back to 4-bays for the annual town meeting.

Dennis asked about the Transfer Station tonnage/revenue report that they used to receive.

Steve to check revenues.

- 9. REPORT OF MEMBERS** – *Emily Lane asked about the traps in the Town Parking Lot and at the Fish Plant Wharf. It was recommended to post a notice in the “Wind” that any traps not moved will be moved to the Landfill.*

There is still a truck on the side of Calderwood’s Neck Road since December. There was a consensus of the Board to have it moved and to bill the owner the same as with the last abandoned truck.

Dennis Warren asked about the Parking Lot Project. Steve stated the bid has been sent to 3 contractors. Emily Lane asked if Steve expected the project to be completed by Memorial Day. Steve stated yes, they are hopeful it will be completed by Memorial Day.

Eric Gasperini asked about Street Sweeping. It was stated it is scheduled for next week. Steve still wants to see how our sweeper works before selling it.

- 10. REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER** – *The Medical Center is asking for the Town to grade an area to allow for more parking. There was a consensus of the Board to have the area graded but if any materials are needed they will be paid for by ICMS.*

There is a DEP Permitted asbestos site at the Transfer Station. The area is in need of more gravel and needs to be re-seeded. Steve to visit the site with CEO/LPI Bill O’Donnell when he is here.

- 11. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR** – *Chris Kolofsky asked if the Town would take over the maintenance of Isle Au Haut Mountain Road. There is a town park located at the end of the road and there is constant traffic in the summer by people looking for the town park. The current state of*

the road would be an issue for emergency vehicles. Steve stated he and Road Commissioner Dan Bickford will look at the road.

12. ADJOURN – *Motion by Eric Gasperini to adjourn at 7:45 PM. Second by Brandon Osgood. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

Next Board of Selectmen's Meeting: Wednesday, May 6th, 2015 at 3:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Darlene M. York, Town Clerk