

**Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes,
January 09, 2019**

**The Board of Selectmen held a Meeting on Wednesday, January 09,
2019, at the Island Hall at 6:00 PM**

- I. Call Public Meeting to Order:** Chair Herb Maine called the public meeting to order at 6:02PM.

Select Board Members attending: John "Jay" Corson, Herb Maine, David Hill, Mark Dyer and Jean-Louis "Bo" Beaupré.

Also present: Marjorie Stratton, Christine Auffant, James Butler, Jackie Trask, Donna Damon, Ron McKinnon, Chip Emery, Donny Alper, Greg Hanscom, Specs Eaton, Sharon Bowman, Pam Curran, and Aaron Rugh

II. Public Comment for items not on the agenda

- Donna Damon asked that the Board of Selectmen reconsider telecasting our Board of Selectmen meetings. She feels that the public needs to be better informed before having to vote at our next town meeting. While live stream would be ideal, an audio version would be sufficient for now.
- Chip Emery spoke on behalf of the Emery and Greenleaf Stabilization Project. Mr. Emery informed the Selectmen that based on his attorney's advice they are going to be asking for an easement for this project and not a revocable license as was previously discussed.

By Consensus the Board has asked the Town Administrator to gather more information on this process and report back at a later Board of Selectmen meeting. The Board of Selectmen will do a site visit for this project.

III. Regular Business

18-157 To Consider a Proposal to Regulate Bennett's Cove

Selectman, David Hill read the document titled **Bennett's Cove Management**, dated December 18, 2018. A lengthy discussion ensued involving the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator and some of the residents of Bennett's Cove.

Motion: Moved by David Hill to accept the first (3) three items from the **Bennett's Cove Management** document under the title **Suggested Ordinance Language** regarding time of use, overnight parking, and parking in the turnaround area:

"Beginning at 7:00 am and ending at 5:00 pm Monday through Friday, municipal and commercial use of Bennett's Cove Road may occur only when shoreline conditions are safe without undue impact on the intertidal zone, generally one hour on each side of high tide. The Town Administrator and Harbormaster may use their discretion to permit municipal and commercial use of Bennett's Cove Road outside of the general requirements set out above upon good and sufficient reason.

Exceptions may be made for municipal and commercial use of Bennett's Cove Road outside of the general requirements set out above for emergency situations. Emergency situations are defined as 'an unforeseen combination of circumstances or resulting state that calls for immediate action'.

"Overnight parking (12 midnight through 7:00 am) on Bennett's Cove Road is prohibited with appropriate signs posted and enforcement employed.

"Likewise, parking in the turnaround area at the foot of Bennett's Cove Road is prohibited at all times."

and to ask our Town Administrator to draft an amendment to the existing Traffic & Parking Ordinance to bring back to the Board of Selectmen for their consideration, seconded by Mark Dyer.

Vote: 3 in Favor (Maine, Hill and Dyer), 2 Opposed (Corson and Beaupre); Motion Carried

18-158 Building Permit Fees and Fines

Our Code Enforcement Officer, James Butler went over the changes to the Town's Building Permit Fees and Fines schedule.

Motion: Moved by David Hill to adopt the changes to our Building Permit Fees and Fines schedule as proposed in the document presented to us, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Vote: All in Favor; Motion Carried

18-159 Broadband Committee

Broadband Committee member, Ron McKinnon shared the agenda prepared for the January 26, 2019 Broadband Workshop. Selectman Maine asked how long Ron thought the workshop would be and Ron said approximately 90 minutes. Peter Rice will be the Facilitator at the workshop. Selectman Maine informed the committee that he has received a couple of emails from the community regarding the cost of Broadband. Selectman Dyer and Selectman Hill informed us that they will be unable to attend this workshop.

18-160 Discuss Budget Goals/Priorities

Selectman Maine asked the other selectmen to share their goals for the upcoming budgeting process. Below is what they shared:

Jay Corson:

- To minimize any tax increases as we set aside money for capital projects.
- To utilize the format procedures recently adopted to help us prioritize capital projects.
- To set aside money for future expenses for solar panels.

Mark Dyer:

- To minimize any increase in the mill rate.
- To use the recently adopted Capital Plan format.
- To make a decision regarding Sunset Landing V. Stone Pier.
- Prioritize where we want to focus on our next capital project.
- To be realistic with our projects.

David Hill:

- To capture all the various revenues/fees owed to the town.
- To look at new construction property values.
- To look at total evaluation of all properties.

Jean-Louis Beaupre:

- To fix unresolved drainage issues on the island.

IV. Town Reports

Marjorie Stratton presented her monthly Town Administrator Report and Town Treasurer Report.

V. Communication

- A letter from Robert Halpin, President of the Indian Island Company asking the town to address some erosion problems on Indian Point Road. The Town Administrator will need to review the road easement to determine if this is the town's responsibility. Donna Damon suggested that Marjorie look at the costs from when FEMA worked on this area. Marjorie will also respond to Mr. Halpin's letter. Selectman Maine will add this as a possible proposed capital plan project.
- Three emails were received by Selectman Maine in regards to individual concerns over the possible cost of the Broadband project and the effects on taxes.
- An email from a concerned citizen who felt unsafe on the roads while jogging because of excessive speeding. Mark Dyer responded to this email.

VI. Review and approve prior meeting minutes of December 12, 2018

Motion: Moved by Jean-Louis "Bo" Beaupré to approve the minutes of December 12, 2018, seconded by Jay Corson.

Vote: All in Favor; Motion Carried

VII. Approval of Expense Warrant(s)

Motion: Moved by Jay Corson and seconded by Jean-Louis "Bo" Beaupré to approve warrant # 38 in the amount of \$78,830.56.

Vote: All in Favor; Motion Carried

Motion: Moved by Jay Corson and seconded by David Hill to approve warrant # 39 in the amount of \$221,444.22.

Vote: All in Favor; Motion Carried

VIII. Other Business-None

IX. Adjourn Meeting

Motion: Moved by David Hill to adjourn the meeting at 8:30PM, seconded by Jay Corson.

Vote: All in Favor; Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Auffant, Deputy Town Clerk