

**TOWN OF TREMONT
REGULAR SELECTMEN'E MEETING
DECEMBER 6, 2004
TREMONT COMMUNITY BUILDING
6:00PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The December 6, 2004 Selectmen's meeting was called to order by Chairman Alden Gray at 6:00pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Chairman Alden Gray, Selectmen Charlie Dillon, Scott Grierson, Steve Harper, Dean Tozier, Town Manager Millard Billings, Recording Secretary McKenzie Clough. Visitors included: Mel Atherton, Mark Good-Mount Desert Islander, Laurie Schreiber-Bar Harbor Times.

3. ADJUSTMENT/ADOPTION TO AGENDA

There were not adjustments to the agenda. Town Manager Billings explained to the board this particular part of the agenda will be used in the case the board wants to take something out of order in the future.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Steve motioned to approve the minutes of the November 22, 2004 Selectmen's meeting, Dean seconded the motion. 4 in favor of approving minutes as written, Alden abstains.

5. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

#70 \$4,306.87

#71 \$811.86

#72 \$2,793.75

#73 \$4,949.22

#74 \$3,813.02

#75 \$16,283.98

#76 \$235.00

Steve motioned to approval warrants 70-76, Charlie seconded the motion. All Selectmen in favor of approving warrants 70-76.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6A. HARBOR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION SEA CUCUMBERS

Harbor Master MacQuiad has been approached about the pickle boats using the town wharf. At the last Harbor committee meeting the Harbor Committee voted against the pickle boats. Charlie motioned to support the Harbor Committee's recommendation against the pickle boats, Steve seconded the motion. All in favor.

6B. APPROVAL OF WHARF HOIST BILL

The Town has received the bill for the new hoist. The bill was for more than the

board had authorized. Steve motioned to pay the bill in full, Scott seconded the motion. All Selectmen agree to pay the bill in full, even though the bill was over the \$3000.00 estimate. In the future the Board of Selectmen would encourage the Harbor Committee to research more and get written estimates for any future projects.

6C. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH SMALL ANIMAL CLINIC

Steve motioned to contract with the Small Animal Clinic, Dean seconded the motion. All Selectmen in favor.

6D. APPROVAL OF LAND PURCHASE INSTALLMENT CONTRACT FOR USE OF AUTOMATIC LIEN FORECLOSURE

Town Manger Billings presented the board with a copy of a land purchase installment contract that was drafted by MMA; this is a commonly used form throughout the State. Steve motioned to adopt the policy, Scott seconded the motion. All in favor.

7. OLD BUSINESS

None.

8. TOWN MANAGERS REPORT

Town Manager Billings informed the board that a new public works person has been hired, he began work on December 2.

Town Manager Billings has invited Senator Damon and Representative Pingree to the December 20, 2004 Selectmen's meeting. He is still waiting to hear back from MMA concerning the abandoned cemeteries.

It is decided by the Board that the Town office staff will only record minutes for the Board of Selectmen, Board of Appeals, Harbor Committee and Planning Board. All other town boards and committee's will provide there own secretaries and minutes. Agenda and minutes will not be done by office staff.

Scott motioned to grant an employee a leave of absence for up to three months, Steve seconded the motion. All in favor of Town Manager Billings granting this leave.

Town Manager Billings asked the board if they wanted to continue the employee Christmas bonuses. After some discussion the board felt that Town Manager Billings could give bonuses as he sees fit.

9. SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING

None.

10. OTHER

Mainely Vinyl should be starting the siding on the Wharf House very soon, they will also be replacing the windows. Any other work will be done by the Public Works Department and the Harbor Master.

Town Manger Billings will contact the State Police to see what progress has been made concerning police protection. If the Police have not made any progress than the town should start researching other options.

11. SET NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Selectmen's meeting will be December 20, 2004 at 6:00pm.

12. ADJOURN

Steve motioned to adjourn meeting at 7:10pm, Scott seconded the motion. All in favor of adjourning.

Respectfully Submitted,
McKenzie Clough

Alden Gray

Steve Harper

Scott Grierson

Charlie Dillon

Dean Tozier