

**TOWN OF TREMONT
REGULAR SELECTMEN'S MEETING
TREMONT TOWN OFFICE
MEETING ROOM
MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2008
6:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Charlie Dillon called the Selectmen's Meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were Chairman Charlie Dillon, Selectmen Scott Grierson, Kathi Thurston, Chris Eaton, and Lester Closson, Recording Secretary Debbi Nickerson, and Town Manager Millard Billings.

Members of the public present were Mark Good – Islander, Laurie Schreiber – Bar Harbor Times.

3. ADJUSTMENTS/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Selectman Scott Grierson, with second by Selectman Kathi Thurston, to approve the minutes of June 2nd. Selectman Scott Grierson asked to have a couple typos corrected. Motion was amended to approve the minutes of June 2nd, as amended. Motion passed 5 – 0.

5. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

Warrant 154	5,463.31
Warrant 155	5,717.38
Warrant 156	4,598.00
Warrant 157	37,434.61
Warrant 158	1,424.21
Warrant 159	8,956.68

Motion made by Selectman Scott Grierson, with second by Selectman Chris Eaton, to approve Warrants 154 – 159. Motion passed 5 – 0.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. REVIEW OF FUEL BIDS

Town Manager Millard Billings provided the Selectmen with a spreadsheet of the bid results (see attached).

Motion made by Selectman Chris Eaton, with second by Selectman Kathi Thurston, to accept Hancock Oil bid for rack price plus for our fuel oil, kerosene and propane. Motion passed 4 – 1. Selectman Scott Grierson voted against.

B. REVIEW OF FLOAT SALE BIDS

Hess Pettegrow submitted the only bid. He bid \$556.00 for the 16 x 30 float (see attached).

Motion made by Selectman Chris Eaton, with second by Selectman Kathi Thurston, to award the bid of \$556.00 to Hess Pettegrow for the 16 x 30 float. Motion passed 5 – 0.

C. APPOINTMENTS

Motion made by Selectman Scott Grierson, second by Selectman Chris Eaton, to appoint Mark Picurro to the Internet Exploratory Committee for 1 year (see attached). Motion passed 5 – 0.

Motion made by Selectman Scott Grierson, second by Selectman Kathi Thurston, to appoint Marybeth Judy to ZOAC (Zoning Ordinance Advisory Committee) for a 3 year term (see attached). Motion passed 5 – 0.

Motion made by Selectman Scott Grierson, second by Selectman Chris Eaton, to appoint Marcia Madeira as an alternate to the Board of Appeals for a 3 year term (see attached). Motion passed 5 - 0.

Motion made by Selectman Scott Grierson, second by Selectman Chris Eaton, to appoint Heidi Farley to the Rec Board for a 3 year term (see attached). Motion passed 5 - 0.

Motion made by Selectman Scott Grierson, with second by Selectman Chris Eaton, to appoint Heidi Farley to the Cemetery Committee for a 5 year term (see attached). Motion passed 5 - 0.

Motion made by Selectman Chris Eaton, with second by Selectman Kathi Thurston, to appoint Phil Worden to the Comprehensive Plan Committee for a 5 year term (see attached). Motion passed 4 – 1. Selectman Scott Grierson was against.

D. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN CARRY FORWARD

The Comprehensive Plan Committee has requested their balance be carried forward for the Hancock County Planning Commission's bill for their work on the Comprehensive Plan (see attached).

Motion made by Selectman Chris Eaton, with second by Chairman Charlie Dillon, to carry forward the unexpended balance towards the 2008 – 2009 budget. Motion passed 5 - 0.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. REPORT OF ONGOING PROJECTS

1. NEW TOWN OFFICE: Town Manager Millard Billings met with Ken Peterson of Brookside Technologies on June 3 to look at the facility and make a recommendation. He has not completed the estimate yet. He is suggesting four mikes at the counter with mute buttons, two mikes in the audience, and two cameras. One camera pointed at the audience, the other at the Selectmen. Town Manager Billings felt the Recording Secretary could run the control station that would be over by the chair tree and elevator. We will also get the equipment to copy the digital recording to a DVD.
2. SALT/SAND BUILDING: Nothing new to report
3. SEAL COVE RAMP: Nothing new to report
4. FLAT IRON ROAD: Two of the three pins that give distances on the deed have been located. We are still looking for the third. Mike Avery with CES has all the information we could provide. He will check with DOT.

5. PLOWING AND SANDING: Nothing new to report
6. SEAL COVE FISHWAY: Roland Dupree visited Seal Cove Pond on June 4, 2008 with engineers. They walked from the bridge to above the new dam site. They saw at least 10 pools with from one to two fish to one hundred fish in them. The New Farm Bill for 2009 has Whip Funding only for agriculture or non commercial forestry projects. The 2008 Whip Funding has money available but the application deadline is July 3, 2008. Mr. Dupree will try to submit an application before the deadline. Because the deadline for filing the application is before the next Selectmen's Meeting, Town Manager Billings requested the Select Board authorize him to sign the Whip application on behalf of the town.
Motion made by Selectman Scott Grierson, with second by Selectman Chris Eaton, to give the Town Manager that said duty. Motion passed 5 - 0.

B. REPORT OF PENDING PROJECTS

1. ACQUISITION OF REAL ESTATE: Nothing new to report
2. ACCESS ROAD: Nothing new to report
3. INTERNET EXPLORATORY COMMITTEE: Town Manager Millard Billings received a letter for a resident concerning wireless internet that he would like to forward to the Internet Exploratory Committee (see attached).
4. TOLL BOOTH: Town Manager Millard Billings has received a letter from Frank Barnes of Somesville concerning a toll booth at the head of the Island (see attached).

8. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

- A. Correspondence with Bob Birk of DEP concerning a reimbursement check from DEP for well monitoring costs (see attached).
- B. Notice from the Town Attorney that Carlton Johnson vs. Town of Tremont has been dismissed (see attached).
- C. Letter written by Town Manager Millard Billings to Senator Dennis Damon concerning the State Roads in Tremont and the Ferry Terminal Float Ramp Bulkhead (see attached).
- D. Notice of Plumbing Violation to Donald Murphy and report from the town's Health Officer (see attached).
- E. ADD is reviewing a contract with EMR (see attached e-mail notification of negotiating team meeting).
- F. Town Manager Millard Billings asked the Selectmen to sign his new contract (see attached), which they did.
- G. Notice of the Comprehensive Plan informational meeting (see attached).

9. SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING

None

10. OTHER

- A. Chairman Charlie Dillon asked about the Cousins holding tank. Town Manager Millard Billings said he has received the requested documents and he is satisfied.

- B. Selectman Lester Closson asked why the police were at the Wharf on Sunday. Chairman Charlie Dillon said they were called because of a party at the Wharf House.
- C. Selectman Lester Closson commented on the clutter in the Wharf Garage yard. Town Manager Millard Billings informed the Selectmen David Kelley has not paid his rent or picked up his check.
- D. Selectman Lester Closson asked about a boat in the School parking lot that is for sale. Harbor Master Stewart Murphy to investigate.
- E. Selectman Scott Grierson asked Town Manager Millard Billings to call Mr. Dupree; the town does not want to miss the July 3rd deadline.
- F. Selectman Kathi Thurston asked about the training for "Elected Officials Freedom of Access Law". Town Manager Millard Billings explained all elected officials in the State of Maine have to take the self-paced training between July 1, 2008 and November 1, 2008. Town Manger Billings is also requiring the office staff to take the training. He also asked the Selectmen if all Boards should do the training class. The Selectmen agreed.

11. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

July 7, 2008

12 ADJOURN

Motion made by Selectman Scott Grierson, with second by Selectman Chris Eaton, to adjourn. Motion passed 5 - 0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbi Nickerson
Recording Secretary

Charlie Dillon

Scott Grierson

Katharine Thurston

Chris Eaton

Lester Closson