

## GRAND ISLE SELECTBOARD MINUTES

Monday June 17, 2019 - 7:00 PM

Town Office Community Room

9 Hyde Road, Grand Isle, VT

### I. **CALL TO ORDER:** AnnaMarie DeMars called the meeting to order at 7:02PM

**Board Members Present:** AnnaMarie DeMars-Chair, Diane Cota and Rachael Griggs  
Jeff Parizo arrived later at 7:14

**Board Members Not Present:** Eric Godin-Vice Chair

**Community Members Present:** Ron Bushway, Denise Abbott Douglass and Sullivan Crady

**Amend Agenda For Matters Not Listed:** Flags

### II. **GUESTS:**

### III. **REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES: June 3 and June 13, 2019**

Diane Cota motions to approve the June 3, 2019 minutes as written. AnnaMarie DeMars seconds the motion. No further discussion, all in favor and the motion passes.

AnnaMarie was not in attendance at the June 13 meeting so the motion for this meeting was held after Jeff arrived.

### IV. **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Locked Door – Eric** – Because Eric was not in attendance this discussion would be held at the end of this meeting to see if he is able to attend.

**Historical Society Open House Announcement** – Rachael read an announcement from the Historical Society inviting all Selectboard members to come to their open house on June 23<sup>rd</sup> from 1-4:00 pm. They should bring their families and see how our history is being preserved. They are very proud of our Veterans Display honoring our veterans of WW1, WW2, Korea and Vietnam.

**Sign State Fire Warden Papers** – AnnaMarie said we had signed this (Vermont Town Forest Fire Warden Reappointment Form, Personnel Record from the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation) paper before but they must have gotten lost in the mail. Ron Bushway, Grand Isle's Fire Warden filled out the form and returned it to AnnaMarie. She asked the Board members to sign paper. It is to be mailed it to Dept. of Forests, Parks & Recreation in Essex Jct., VT.

### V. **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Fire Station Fuel Tank State Application Fee: Review and sign Notice Of Intent documents for Fire Station fuel tank and approve \$240.00 for the State of VT application fee.**

Diane Cota makes a motion to approve and sign the Notice of Intent Document for the Fire Station fuel tank and approve \$240 for the State of Vermont application fee and where it's coming from to be determine. Rachael Griggs seconds the motion. No further discussion, AnnaMarie DeMars, Diane Cota and Rachael Griggs voted in favor and the motion passes.

- **Plantings at ‘Welcome to Grand Isle’ Sign:**
- AnnaMarie said she had brought this up a while ago and had offered to plant some flowers. She doesn’t know the people who live there but will check with Melissa for the property owner’s name and phone number.
- Denise Abbott Douglass suggested planting perennials and said she has hostas
- Rachael offered to furnish a pink spirea from her garden and to help AnnaMarie with the planting
- The sign coming off the drawbridge heading south will be looked at as well

Jeff Parizo arrived at 7:14.

**Sign Town Employee Benefits Policy and Continue Review of Policies and Procedures:**

Rachael said we wouldn’t be reviewing of Policies and Procedures tonight as copies were just recently received from AnnaMarie and Eric. She has made copies for the rest of the board. AnnaMarie asked if everyone received the memo about sick days. The motioned to approve (the benefits package) has already been made. The Selectboard is to sign the original tonight.

**Flags:** Ron Bushway wanted to know about the flags. Jeff said the flags were ordered. When they come in he will assemble them to the poles. Ron said he would contact Rob Nolan, Island Tree Service to install them. Jeff said if Brad Sheridan, Road Foreman can do it he would help him. In the fall they will reassembled and ready to be installed next year.

**VI. Highway Department Update:** Ron Bushway, Road Commissioner reported.

- **Paving:** Paving is to start Tuesday with a portion of East Shore North Road starting at Rt. 2 going just past the Robinson farm. West Shore Road will be paved just to the right of Quaker Road and south to Allen Road, known as 314. The contractor hauls the blacktop.
- **Roadside Mowing:** This is ongoing.
- **Lines Stripes:** Started on Sunday

**Buildings Facilities Manager Update:** Ron Bushway, BFM reported.

- **Block School House Roof and Available Monies:** Alan Landry is still pretty busy and since the weather has been crappy Ron wondered if there is any 2019 monies left to earmark for the labor of the Block School House Roof. Ron will contact Melissa to find out.

**Locked Door (continued from above):**

- AnnaMarie asked what to do with this because Eric is absent
- Jeff said it was her decision but since it was Eric to discuss it we should wait until the next meeting. Denise Abbott Douglass said it was suppose to be her, not Eric
- Rachael reported what VLCT told her that she has a right to keep the door locked to get things done before a meeting
- The door doesn’t have to be opened until 7:00
- There is no reason to have anyone come in and sit and wait. Community members are given 15 minutes to come in and get settled.
- It is very difficult to concentrate and get things done with people having conversations
- Denise asked if it will be held over to the next meeting
- Jeff said he thinks we should hear what Eric has to say

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- Rachael said she doesn't want people to have any expectations as the door will continue to be locked until 15 minutes before the scheduled meeting time.

AnnaMarie said she has a new draft for the New Bridge and Road Standards. She will ask Melissa about them and if a motion is needed we will discuss it at the July 1, 2019 meeting.

**VII. REVIEW AND SIGN WARRANTS:** Diane Cota makes a motion for AnnaMarie DeMars to sign the warrants. Jeff Parizo seconds the motion. No further discussion, all in favor and the motion passes.

Rachael said we need a motion to approve the minutes of June 13, 2019. Jeff Parizo motions to approve the minutes of June 13, 2019. Diane Cota seconds the motion. No further discussion, Jeff Parizo, Diane Cota and Rachael Griggs approve, AnnaMarie DeMars abstains and the motion passes.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT:** Jeff Parizo motions to adjourn the meeting at 7:30PM. Diane Cota seconds the motion. No further discussion, all in favor and the motion passes.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rachael Griggs, Selectboard Clerk

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AnnaMarie DeMars, Selectboard Chair

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