

**GRAND ISLE SELECTBOARD  
MINUTES  
Monday July 1, 2019  
Town Office Community Room  
9 Hyde Road, Grand Isle, VT**

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** AnnaMarie DeMars called the meeting to order at 7:00PM

**Board Members Present:** AnnaMarie DeMars - Chair, Eric Godin - Vice Chair, Jeff Parizo, Diane Cota and Rachael Griggs

**Community Members Present:** Ron Bushway, Denise Abbott Douglass and Melissa Boutin

**Amend Agenda For Matters Not Listed: Under New Business**

Trash Removal Problem – Denise Abbott Douglass  
Shannon Bundy, Lister Resignation Letter  
Island Arts Celebration

**II. GUESTS:** Denise Abbott Douglass – Locked Door (Eric)

The locked Town Office door was discussed and the conclusion is that it will continue to be locked until 15 minutes before a meeting. This gives the Selectboard Chair, Secretary and the LCATV cameraman time to get set up as well as ample time for community members and guests to settle in.

**III. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES: June 17, 2019:** Jeff Parizo makes a motion to approve the June 17, 2019 minutes. Diane Cota seconds the motion. No further discussion. Eric Godin abstains. Four in favor and the motion passes.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS:**

**Review and sign Roads and Bridges Standards:** Jeff Parizo makes a motion to move the Roads and Bridges Standards to the July 15, 2019 meeting. Eric Godin seconds the motion. No further discussion, all in favor and the motion passes.

**Community Vegetable Garden:** Rachael said she was asked to add this as it was suggested to have a community garden behind or beside the Town office. Jeff said he thinks it's a great idea but feels we need to do more research. After discussion it was decided to have this discussion at a later meeting.

**Shannon Bundy, Lister, Resignation Letter:** AnnaMarie read the resignation letter from Shannon Bundy who was voted as Lister in March. She has accepted a full time, permanent position that will make it impossible to fulfill her duties as a Lister. We will have to relist the job opening to fill the position until the March 2020 Town Meeting. Rachael will check with Melissa to post a letter and get it in the Islander.

**Island Arts Celebration:** AnnaMarie read the information for the Island Arts 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration on Sunday, July 14, 2019 starting at 5:30 at 1127 US Rt. 2, North Hero. Burlington Taiko Drummers will perform starting at 6:30.

**V. OLD BUSINESS:**

**Trash Removal Problem:** Canceled as Denise Abbott Douglass left the meeting earlier.

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

- Last year's 2x3 flags have been put up. New 3x5 flags have arrived and they will be assembled with new stainless steel snaps in the fall to be ready to install in the spring of 2020. Thank you to John Beaulac, South Hero's Road Commissioner and Dwight Bullis, using his equipment to install the flags this year.
- Roadside mowing is still going on
- Paving and line striping is done
- Ron asked the Selectboard to sign the Road and Road Standards Invitation to Participate in Municipal Roads Grand-In-Aid Program. Ron said it fits in with Act 64 and with the Board's signatures the Highway Department will be ready to apply for grants as they become available.

Eric Godin motions to have the Selectboard sign the Invitation to Participate in the Municipal Roads Grants-In-Aids Program. Jeff Parizo seconds the motion. No further discussion, all in favor and the motion passes.

**Buildings Facilities Manager Update:**

The large tiles in the playground at the Annex have been removed.

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

**VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Contract:**

Jeff Parizo motions to go into executive session citing 1 V.S.A. §313 (a) (2) that premature general public knowledge would clearly place the public body or a person involved at a substantial disadvantage inviting Ron Bushway and Melissa Boutin to come into the meeting. Eric Godin seconds the motion. No further discussion, all in favor and the motion passes.

Eric Godin motions to come out of executive session at with the decision to hold the bond vote for the Town Garage on Tuesday, September 17, 2019 from 7:00AM to 7:00PM. Diane Cota seconds the motion. No further discussion, all in favor and the motion passes.

Jeff Parizo recuses himself and leaves the building.

**VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Real Estate Discussion:** Rachael Griggs motions to go into executive session to discuss real estate citing 1 V.S.A. § 313 (a) (2) that premature general public knowledge would clearly place the public body or a person involved at a substantial disadvantage. Eric Godin seconds the motion. No further discussion, four in favor and the motion passes.

Eric Godin announced the Selectboard is coming out of executive session at 8:24. No decision as this was just an informative discussion on a confidential matter.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT:** Diane Cota motions to adjourn at 8:24PM. Eric Godin 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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