

**TOWN OF TREMONT  
SPECIAL SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
TREMONT TOWN OFFICE  
MEETING ROOM  
MONDAY AUGUST 27, 2007  
6:00 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Scott Grierson called the Selectman's meeting of Monday, August 27, 2007 to order at 6:01 pm.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Chairman Scott Grierson, Heath Higgins, Katharine Thurston, Chris Eaton, Lester Closson, Town Manager Millard Billings, Town Attorney Chad Smith, and Recording Secretary Heidi Farley.

Harbor Committee members present were: Chairman David Schlaefer, Art Paine, Spencer Ervin, and Mel Atherton

Members of the public present were: Steve Wilson from John Goodwin Jr., Mark Good from the Islander, Laurie Schrieber from the Bar Harbor Times, Joe Keeney from J. Keeney Construction, David Trask from David Trask and Sons and residents, Wayne Patten, Kellie Reed-Carter and Steve Carter.

**3. ADJUSTMENTS/ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

None

**4. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS**

#23	\$ 6,004.45
#24	\$240,404.41
#25	Void
#26	\$ 77,281.41
#27	\$ 183.00

**MOTION** by Selectman Heath Higgins to approve warrants # 23, 24, 26 and 27, seconded by Selectman Chris Eaton. Motion passed 5-0.

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

## **A. ACTION ON SEAL COVE RAMP PROPOSALS**

Steve Wilson representing John Goodwin Jr. discussed with the Selectmen and Harbor Committee that he thought everyone was going to rebid the project and did not have a design proposal or bid ready at this time but believes he can come in under budget. Joe Keeney from J. Keeney Construction gave the Harbor Committee and Selectmen an estimate and a design and said he could start in 3 or 4 weeks and that he would easily give them a 3 year warrantee on his work. After some discussion the Harbor Committee decided to give John Goodwin Jr., Inc time to submit a design and proposal and would meet before the next Selectmen's meeting at 5 pm on Monday, September 10, 2007 with J. Keeney Construction and John Goodwin Jr. Inc. to make a decision to present to the Selectmen.

## **B. REVIEW BIDS FOR SALT/SAND SHED**

David Trask from David Trask and Sons showed the Selectmen pictures of work his company has done and showed them a list of other similar projects he had done. Selectman Heath Higgins told him that his references were more than adequate.

**MOTION** by Selectman Chris Eaton to award the Salt/Sand storage building bid to David Trask and Sons for \$153,330.00, seconded by Selectman Kathi Thurston. Motion passed 5-0.

**MOTION** by Chairman Scott Grierson to authorize Town Manager Millard Billings to sign the contract with David Trask and Sons, seconded by Selectman Chris Eaton. Motion passed 5-0.

## **6. TOWN MANAGERS REPORT**

None

## **7. OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY**

Nothing new to report.

### **B. ACCESS ROAD**

Town Manager Millard Billings reported that Public Works has started clearing the land in the back corner. He further explained that we are still waiting for the survey and that nothing will be signed until the survey is submitted and approved by Town Meeting.

### **C. CABLE/INTERNET ACCESS**

Town Manager Millard Billings told the Selectmen that there were no new developments with Time Warner Cable but that a representative from a wireless company will be coming to the next Selectman's meeting. Town Manager Millard Billings will give concerned citizens a heads up.

### **D. CAP'N NEMOS AMUSEMENT PERMIT**

**MOTION** by Selectman Heath Higgins to go into executive session Pursuant to Maine Revised Statutes section 405 subsection 6 paragraph E to consult with council at 6:56 pm, seconded by Selectman Kathi Thurston. Motion passed 5-0.

**MOTION** by Selectman Chris Eaton to come out of executive session at 7:40 pm, seconded by Selectman Heath Higgins. Motion passed 5-0.

**MOTION** by Selectman Heath Higgins to continue conversation concerning Cap'n Nemos at the next Selectman's meeting on Monday, September 10, 2007 when the owners can be present, seconded by Selectman Chris Eaton. Motion passed 5-0.

### **8. SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING**

Selectmen would like to discuss Alewives at the next meeting.

### **9. OTHER**

Resident Wayne Patton voiced concerns about the operation of the Select Board. Attorney Chad Smith told Mr. Patton that Roberts Rules of order is how the Board is governed, but under province do not have to strictly follow Roberts Rules. Mr. Patton advised that maybe a Town Charter would be in order to keep everyone on the same page. Selectman Kathi Thurston said that a charter had been looked into 15 or 20 years ago and is a very long process.

Selectman Heath Higgins asked if Chairman Scott Grierson had learned anything new at the School Consolidation meetings. Chairman Scott Grierson responded that he had been unable to attend any meetings as of yet but is in hope of attending the next meeting.

Selectman Heath Higgins mentioned to Town Manager Millard Billings that the Plumbing Inspector in Southwest Harbor might be interested in being the Town of Tremont's alternate Plumbing Inspector.

Selectmen Kathi Thurston thanked Harbormaster Stewart Murphy for putting notes on the floats about tie up time and asked if it would be feasible to add a

row of floats on opposite side of ramp. Town Manager Millard Billings explained that there is no room because of riparian property lines and abutters. Selectman Heath Higgins thought it would be good to approach the abutters and ask for an easement.

**10. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: September 10**

**11. ADJOURN**

**MOTION** by Chairman Scott Grierson to adjourn meeting at 7:55 pm, seconded by Selectman Heath Higgins. Motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Heidi Farley

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Scott Grierson

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Heath Higgins

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Kathi Thurston

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