

**TOWN OF TREMONT  
REGULAR SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
TREMONT TOWN OFFICE  
MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2009  
6:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Charlie Dillon called the Monday, August 17, 2009, Selectmen's Meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were Chairman Charlie Dillon, Selectmen Lester Closson, Chris Eaton, Bobby Lee, and Kathi Thurston (who arrived at 6:05 pm), Town Manager Millard Billings, and Recording Secretary Debbi Nickerson.

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

3. ADJUSTMENTS/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. MINUTES OF AUGUST 3, 2009

**Motion** made by Selectman Chris Eaton, with second by Selectman Lester Closson, to accept the minutes of August 3, 2009. Motion passed 3 – 0 – 1. Selectman Bobby Lee was not at the meeting.

5. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

Warrant 18	7,616.26
Warrant 19	26,643.00
Warrant 20	1,139.00
Warrant 21	6,000.00
Warrant 22	106,144.37
Warrant 23	VOID
Warrant 24	1,461.21
Warrant 25	7,559.32
Warrant 26	24,473.81

**Motion** made by Selectman Chris Eaton, with second by Selectman Lester Closson, to approve Warrants 18 – 26. Motion passed 4 - 0.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSS ADVERTISEMENT FOR AUCTION OF TAX ACQUIRED PROPERTY ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

Town Manager Millard Billings gave the Selectmen a sample ad to be published in the newspapers about the auction, as well as a sample Quitclaim Deed and a sample Bill of Sale (see attached). He also gave the Board a copy of the letter

written to the property owners an August 4, 2009 (see attached). He asked the Selectmen to read them over and bring any changes they would like to his attention.

Selectman Kathi Thurston arrived a 6:05 pm.

**B. UPDATE SHORELAND ZONING AMENDMENTS**

Town Manager Millard Billings gave the Selectmen a memo, a Zoning Ordinance & Map up-date schedule, the notice that will be sent to the property owners, etc. from CEO Carl Young (see attached).

**C. APPOINTMENTS**

Jim Keene has requested to be appointed to the Board of Appeals (see attached).

**Motion** made by Selectman Chris Eaton, with second by Selectman Kathi Thurston, to appoint Jim Keene to the Board of Appeals until June 30, 2010.

Motion passed 5 - 0.

Selectman Kathi Thurston asked if Marsha Maderia wanted to be appointed to the Board or stay the alternate. Town Manager Millard Billings will check with her.

**7. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. REPORT OF ONGOING PROJECTS**

1. **FLAT IRON RD.:** Gravel has been added to Kelleytown Rd. to build it up and it has been reclaimed. Lane is scheduled to pave after Labor Day. To control the dust Town Manager Millard Billings will have it graded and put down Calcium Chloride.
2. **SEAL COVE FISHWAY:** Work began on August 11, 2009. The coffer dam is in. Selectman Bobby Lee expressed his concern about the dry hydrant that is next to where Cadillac Builders is working. Town Manager Millard Billings said it is out of commission now, but will be functional after the fishway is completed. Selectman Bobby Lee asked to have the Fire Department notified the hydrant in not available right now.
3. **BASS HARBOR DREDGE PROJECT:** Town Manager Millard Billings has contacted several town residents about the ship wrecks in Bass Harbor. The information would be helpful to the person doing the ship wreck survey. The Selectmen had several suggestions.
4. **BERNARD WHARF PIGGY-BACK DREDGE PROJECT:** The soil sample person is scheduled to come on August 19, 2009.

**B. REPORT OF PENDING PROJECTS**

1. **ACQUISITION OF REAL ESTATE:** The owner that lives locally has signed the purchase and sale agreement and is in the process of getting the spouse in Florida to sign. She is planning to have the signature before the Special Town Meeting in September.
2. **INTERNET EXPLORATORY COMMITTEE:** Nothing new to report

**8. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

1. On August 18, 2009 Town Manager Millard Billings has a meeting at Ellsworth Emergency Management concerning FEMA funds for the storm damage between June 18, 2009 and July 8, 2009.
2. Town Manager Millard Billings has received a letter from Acadia Wildlife Foundation requesting a meeting with the Selectmen to reopen negotiations for the sale of their portion of the Paul Hinton estate (see attached). The Selectmen asked to have the Acadia Wildlife Foundation's representatives invited to their next meeting.
3. ADD will be holding their House Hold Universal and Hazards Waste collection at the Town Office on September 1, 2009.
4. Town Manager Millard Billings has received a resolution to oppose the act to Decrease The Automobile Excise Tax And Promote Energy Efficiency (see attached). The Selectmen voiced their support for the resolution and asked Town Manager Millard Billings to type something up for the next meeting.

9. DISCUSSION OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Town Manager Millard Billings has drafted a Warrant for the Special Town Meeting in September (see attached). He asked the Selectmen to read it over and bring any changes to his attention.

The first two Articles will be to choose a moderator and to vote on the Cell Tower Moratorium on September 14, 2009. The poles will open at 1:00 pm and close at 8:00 pm. At 6:30 pm on September 15, 2009, the Special Town Meeting will be opened to discuss and vote on the additional Articles.

Selectman Lester Closson asked if the Public Works job Town Manager Millard Billings would like to make year round by one of the draft Warrants needs to be advertised and interviewed again. Town Manager Millard Billings will check with MMA.

Town Manager Millard Billings apologized for not bringing to the Selectmen's attention during his Town Manager Report an e-mail he received from Stephanie Clement, Conservation Director of Friends of Acadia (see attached). Chairman Charlie Dillon expressed his agreement with needing bike lanes, but he does not think the Town should have to pay for them. The Selectmen would like to encourage Friends of Acadia to create a petition they can support.

10. OTHER

There is a light that stays on at the Wharf. Town Manager Millard Billings will notify Bangor Hydro.

11. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

August 31, 2009

12. SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING

The Warrant, Tax acquired property

13. ADJOURN

**Motion** made by Selectman Chris Eaton, with second by Selectman Kathi Thurston, to adjourn. Motion passed 5 - 0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbi Nickerson  
Recording Secretary

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Charlie Dillon

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Katharine Thurston

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Chris Eaton

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Lester Closson

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Robert Lee III