

**TOWN OF TREMONT  
REGULAR SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
TREMONT TOWN OFFICE  
HARVEY KELLEY MEETING ROOM  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2010  
6:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Kathi Thurston called the Regular Selectmen's Meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were Vice Chairman Kathi Thurston, Selectmen Chris Eaton, Bobby Lee, and Lester Closson, Town Manager Millard Billings, and Recording Secretary Debbi Nickerson.

Members of the public present were Danny Closson and Emergency Management Director Keith Higgins.

3. ADJUSTMENTS/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. MINUTES OF DECEMBER 6, 2010

**Motion** made by Selectman Chris Eaton, with second by Selectman Lester Closson, to accept the minutes of December 6<sup>th</sup>. Motion passed 4 – 0.

5. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

Warrant 70	13,128.32
Warrant 71	1,350.00
Warrant 72	8,448.45
Warrant 73	96,663.35
Warrant 74	1,461.21
Warrant 75	6,717.04
Warrant 76	8,368.52

**Motion** made by Selectman Chris Eaton, with second by Selectman Lester Closson, to approve Warrants 70 – 76. Motion passed 4 – 0.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. TIME CLOCK POLICY

At the last meeting the Select Board voted to have two time clocks installed, one in the Town Office and one in the Public Works Building.

The time clocks have been purchased and installed. Before employees start using the time clocks the Select Board needs to adopt a Time Clock Policy (see attached draft).

**Motion** made by Selectman Lester Closson, with second by Selectman Bobby Lee, to approve the Time Clock Policy. Motion passed 3 – 1. Selectman Chris Eaton opposed.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. REPORT OF ONGOING PROJECTS

1. DREDGE PROJECT

Mark Habel sent Town Manager Millard Billings an e-mail discussing the projected costs of the excess ledge found during the dredging of the new mooring pool (see attached). The Selectmen asked Town Manager Millard Billings to schedule a meeting with Prock, the Army Corp of Engineers, the Select Board and the Harbor Committee as soon as possible.

B. REPORT OF PENDING PROJECTS

1. ACQUISITION OF REAL ESTATE

A. HINTON ESTATE: Nothing new to report

B. FUDGE PROPERTY: Letter from Attorney suggesting best way to proceed. The Select Board chose to discuss this in executive session, which they will do after Agenda Item 11.

**Motion** made by Selectman Chris Eaton, with second by Selectman Bobby Lee, to move Pending Projects 1. B. to after 11. Set date for next meeting. Motion passed 4 – 0.

8. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

A. The CEO/Assessor Report for November 2010 (see attached).

B. There is one person who has not paid their 2010 Dog License. Attached is a copy of the final notice that has been mailed to that person.

C. The Notice of Small Claims Collection has been mailed to the former Wharf Garage tenant. He has received the notice of the pending filing (see attached). Town Manager Millard Billings has spoken with him and he asked for more time to pay. Mr. Billings told him he would have to speak with the Select Board concerning the matter. Selectman Chris Eaton said he has spoken to the former tenant, who has authorized Mr. Eaton to speak on his behalf in executive session. There is no legal reason for executive session, so the Selectmen decided to ask Selectman Chris Eaton to ask the former tenant to speak with Town Manager Millard Billings by noon on Thursday, December 30, 2010. They authorized Mr. Billings to accept no less than \$50.00 a week.

**Motion** made by Selectman Chris Eaton, with second by Selectman Lester Closson, that if David Kelley comes in and makes an agreement with Town Manager Millard Billings in writing before noon on Thursday the Small Claims Suite will not be filed. Motion passed 4 – 0.

9. OTHER

Emergency Management Director Keith Higgins informed the Board of Selectmen that the Fire Marshall will be in town tomorrow, December 29<sup>th</sup>, to answer questions Mr. Higgins has about the Fire Department's purview and look at the Harvey Kelley Meeting Room to be sure it will serve adequately as an Emergency Shelter, as well as the School and the Gym. Mr. Higgins also wanted the Selectmen to know that the Fire Department is investigating a new truck this year. The Fire Department is installing new doors in the Bass Harbor Fire Station. The Fire Department is conforming to new safety laws regarding garage doors.

Selectman Chris Eaton said an alarm call came in about 2:00 am during the last storm at a house on Dow Point. The alarm company called the Fire Department and the house. The Fire Department was called out, but when the alarm company called the house they were told everything was alright, but the alarm company never cancelled the alarm. The Town plowed the road for the Fire Department. When the Fire Department was finally able to arrive at the house, the Volunteers were told that the alarm company had been told there was no problem. Town Manager Millard Billings agreed that the Town needs to be prepared to help the Fire Department in emergencies.

10. SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING

Special Meeting with ACOE anytime next week

11. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

January 10, 2011 at 5:00 pm unless a meeting can be set-up with ACOE

12. AGENDA ITEM 7. OLD BUSINESS B. REPORT OF PENDING PROJECTS 2.  
FUDGE PROPERTY

**Motion** made by Selectman Chris Eaton, with second by Selectman Lester Closson, to go into executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA §405 (6) (C) to discuss acquisition of real property or economic development because premature disclosure of the information would prejudice the bargaining position of the Selectpersons. Motion passed 4 – 0. The Select Board went into executive session at 6:55 pm.

**Motion** made by Vice Chairman Kathi Thurston, with second by Selectman Bobby Lee, to come out of executive session. Motion passed 4 – 0. The Selectmen came out of executive session at 7:10 pm.

**Motion** made by Selectman Chris Eaton, with second by Selectman Bobby Lee, to continue every effort to acquire the Fudge property. Motion passed 4 – 0.

13. ADJOURN

**Motion** made by Selectman Chris Eaton to adjourn. Motion passed 4 – 0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 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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Bobby Lee