

**TOWN OF TREMONT
REGULAR SELECTMEN'S MEETING
TREMONT TOWN OFFICE
MEETING ROOM
MONDAY, JULY 11, 2011**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Selectmen's meeting of Monday, July 11, 2011 was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Chris Eaton.

2. ROLL CALL

Chairman Chris Eaton, Selectmen Bobby Lee, Lester Closson Hugh Gilley, James LaPrade, Town Manager Millard Billings and Recording Secretary Heidi Kelley.

Members of the public present: Islander Reporter Mark Good, Fire Chief Wayne Patton and Assistant Fire Chief Keith Higgins.

3. ADJUSTMENTS/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. MINUTES OF JUNE 20, 2011

Minutes not available at this time.

5. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

#147	\$6,337.22
#148	8,335.85
#149	10,245.81
#150	24,560.36
#001	8,912.37
#002	272,524.00
#003	106,017.81
#004	8,169.71
#005	47,235.71

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to approve warrants 147-150, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 5-0.

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to approve warrants 1-5, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 5-0.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. REVIEW RFP FOR KELLEY CEMETARY PROJECT

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to award the bid to Mark Harriott for \$6000.00, seconded by Selectman Hugh Gilley. Motion passed 5-0.

B. FIRE DEPARTMENT TO DISCUSS TRUCK PURCHASE

Fire Chief Wayne Patton and Assistant Chief Keith Higgins discussed with the Selectmen the purchase of the two new fire trucks. Town Manager reported that the money allocated at Town Meeting will be available to the Fire Department on July 13th, 2011.

C. APPOINTMENTS

MOTION BY Selectman Bobby Lee to appoint Joanne Harris to the Board of Appeals for a three year term, seconded by Selectman Hugh Gilley. Motion passed 5-0.

D. DISCUSS PACE ORDINANCE

See attached

Ordinance will be discussed at the next Selectman's meeting so Selectmen can review it.

E. AOS #91 & ANP DISCUSS SCHOOL CLOSING

The question arose during school consolidation discussions as to what would happen to the Tremont School if the facility were closed. The deed (see attached) for the school property clearly states "...this conveyance is made upon the expressed condition that all of the land hereby conveyed shall be used exclusively and perpetually for school purposes, and that upon the discontinuance of such use of said land, or any part thereof, all of the land conveyed hereunder shall revert to the United States of America..."

The Town's position has been that as long as any kind of school (boatbuilding, sailing, adult education or private school, charter school, pre-school) was used at the school building it would satisfy the intent of the deed.

The park Superintendent Sheridan Steele, in correspondence with Rob Liebow (see attached) says that if the building was not run by the school district it would revert to the park.

MOTION by Selectman Jim LaPrade for the Town to retain an attorney to provide opinion on what the deed is telling us, seconded by Selectman Hugh Gilley. Motion passed 5-0.

F. FUNDING THROUGH TAXATION FOR RCC SERVICES

Town Manager Millard Billings reported that the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen of Southwest Harbor sent a letter (see attached) regarding a newspaper article (see attached) in which the Hancock County Commissioners are quoted as saying they propose to fund the RCC budget through taxation in 2012.

Town Manager Millard Billings drafted a letter (see attached) in support of the Southwest Harbor position regarding forcing Towns to pay for services that they do not use.

MOTION by Selectman Hugh Gilley to approve letter to RCC, seconded by Selectman Jim LaPrade. Motion passed 5-0.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. REPORT OF ONGOING PROJECTS

Nothing new to report

B. REPORT OF PENDING PROJECTS

Permits are in place and after submittal of a \$100.00 fee to the Bureau of submerged lands we are ready to proceed with extra float and dolphin at the Seal Cove Facility.

8. TOWN MANAGERS REPORT

Town Manager Millard Billings reported that the fuel oil bids are locked in with Acadia Fuel being the low bidder at \$2.93 per gallon.

June 23, 2011 issue of the Southwest Harbor/Tremont Chamber of Commerce newsletter. (See attached)

Southwest Harbor/Tremont Chamber of Commerce sent their sign up sheet for the once upon a flamingo contest as part of the annual Flamingo Festival sponsored by Harbor House. (See attached)

Report from Bruce Connery, Biologist at ANP concerning the Seal Cove Pond 2011 alewife run. (See attached)

9. SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING

Fire Department asked the Town for \$7,200.00 to finish the project in Seal Cove. Selectmen will review request at their next meeting.

Discussion on PACE Ordinance

10. OTHER

None

11. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

August 1, 2011

12. ADJOURN

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to adjourn meeting at 6:55 PM, seconded by Selectman Hugh Gilley. Motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted
Heidi Kelley
Recording Secretary

Chris Eaton

Jim LaPrade

Lester Closson

Hugh Gilley

Bobby Lee