

**TOWN OF TREMONT
REGULAR SELECTMEN'S MEETING
TREMONT TOWN OFFICE
HARVEY KELLEY MEETING ROOM
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2012
5:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Selectmen's meeting of Monday, February 6, 2012 was called to order at 5:00 PM by Chairman Chris Eaton.

2. ROLL CALL

Chairman Chris Eaton, Selectmen Bobby Lee, James LaPrade, Lester Closson and Town Manager Millard Billings.

Members of the public present were: Mark Good from the Mount Desert Islander, Resident Keith Higgins and Bass Harbor Library representative Carey Donovan.

3. ADJUSTMENTS/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2012

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to approve minutes of January 23, 2012 as written, seconded by Selectman James LaPrade. Motion passed 3-0-1. Selectman Lester Closson abstained because he was not at that meeting.

5. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

#85	\$ 8,688.13
#86	\$14,808.95
#87	\$30,006.92
#88	\$ 8,767.71

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to approve warrants 85-88, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 4-0.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. RECYCLING UPDATES

Selectmen reviewed report (see attached).

B. REDZONE UPDATE

No action.

C. TIME WARNER CONTRACT

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to authorize Town Manager Millard Billings to sign the agreement with Eastern Maine Development Corporation, Cable Consortium to enter negotiations with Time Warner as a group, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 4-0

D. APPOINTMENTS

No action.

E. REVIEW 2011 AUDIT/APPROVE MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATION LETTER

MOTION by James LaPrade to authorize Town Manager Millard Billings to sign contract with James Wadman, seconded by Selectman Bobby Lee. Motion passed 4-0.

F. CLARK BRIDGE UPDATE

.Town Manager Millard Billings gave the Selectmen his correspondence with MDOT concerning Clark Bridge.

Selectmen agreed to hire Civil Engineer, Greg Johnston to engineer the plans to satisfy MDOT requirements.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. REPORT OF ONGOING PROJECTS

1. DREDGEPROJECT

Nothing new to report

2. MECHANICS LIEN: VIKING INC., VS TOWN OF TREMONT

Attorney Szewczyk has been granted an extension of time on the stay until February 14, 2012 to allow time to try to negotiate a settlement with Viking.

B. REPORT OF PENDING PROJECTS

1. INTERNET EXPLORATORY COMMITTEE

Nothing new to report.

2. RIGHT TURN LANE AT SOMESVILLE TRAFFIC LIGHT

Mount Desert Public Works Director Tony Smith is recommending that money be spent on Mount Desert Town Roads and not on a State Highway (see attached).

3. PROPOSED ADDITION ON MUNICIPAL PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE

Town Manager Millard Billings discussed a proposed addition on Municipal Public Works Garage.

No action taken at this time.

4. NEW PLOW TRUCKS

Town Manager Millard Billings discussed purchasing new plow trucks with Selectmen.

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee with a second by Jim LaPrade to authorize Town Manager Billings to continue to get cost estimates on trucks and equipment (bodies, plows, wings)

8. TOWN MANAGERS REPORT

Town Manager Millard Billings reported that the Town was given a map and a booklet documenting the research project conducted by Franklin Price regarding the Seal Cove shipwreck. The map is posted on the back wall of the meeting room and the booklet is available at the Town Office for public viewing.

Town Manager Millard Billings reported that the League of Towns collaboration meeting is scheduled for February 29, 2012 at 5:30 PM in the Somesville Fire Station (see attached).

Town Manager Millard Billings gave the Selectmen a copy of the draft minutes of the Board of Appeals and Warrant committee (see attached)..

Town Manager Millard Billings gave the Selectmen a copy of the letter he sent to Superintendent Rob Liebow concerning invoice for the retainer for special Attorney to represent the Town & School Department in case Viking vs. Tremont.

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to appoint Attorney Allison King to represent the Board of Appeals at their hearing, seconded by Selectman James LaPrade. Motion passed 4-0

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to appoint Carl Young to represent the Town of Tremont at the Blue Hill Watershed meeting, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 4-0

Tremont Volunteer Fire Department member Keith Higgins submitted a request to the Selectmen for release of funds that are in the Fire Department Reserve Account to the Fire Department(see attached).

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to that the Tremont Volunteer Fire Department have full disbursement of funds in the Fire Department Reserve Account, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 4-0

9. SECOND QUARTER REPORT

Selectmen reviewed second quarter report and had no issues with report as written.

10. ANNUAL BUDGET

A. THIRD PARTY REQUESTS

1. DOWNEAST HORIZONS

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to recommend \$1600.00 funding for Downeast Horizons, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 4-0.

2. HARBOR HOUSE COMMUNITY CENTER YOUTH

No action

3. HARBOR HOUSE MDI CAMPFIRE COALITION

No action

4. SW HARBOR/TREMONT AMBULANCE SERVICE

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to recommend \$38,500.00 funding for SW Harbor/Tremont Ambulance Service, seconded by Selectman James LaPrade. Motion passed 4-0.

B. BOARD & COMMITTEE REQUESTS

1. LIBRARY

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to recommend \$38,000.00 funding for Bass Harbor Memorial Library, seconded by Selectman James LaPrade. Motion passed 4-0.

2. SEAL COVE PICNIC AREA

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to recommend \$1,200.00 funding for the Seal Cove Picnic Area, seconded by Selectman James LaPrade. Motion passed 4-0.

3. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE

MOTION by Selectman James LaPrade to recommend \$1,000.00 carry forward for Comprehensive Plan Committee, seconded by Selectman Bobby Lee. Motion passed 4-0.

4. HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to recommend \$2,500.00 funding for the Tremont Historical Society, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 4-0.

5. ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to recommend \$4,250.00 funding for Animal Control Officer, seconded by Selectman James LaPrade. Motion passed 4-0.

6. RECREATION BOARD

No action taken at this time.

7. MEMORIAL DAY FLAGS

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to recommend \$400.00 funding for Memorial Day Flags, seconded by Selectman James LaPrade. Motion passed 4-0.

8. TREMONT PLANNING BOARD

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to recommend \$6,350.00 funding for the Tremont Planning Board, seconded by Selectman James LaPrade. Motion passed 4-0.

9. BOARD OF APPEALS

MOTION by Selectman James LaPrade to recommend \$1,500.00 funding for the Board of Appeals, seconded by Selectman Bobby Lee. Motion passed 4-0.

C. MUNICIPAL REQUESTS

1. BOILER PLATE ARTICLES

MOTION by Selectman James LaPrade to recommend funding for the nine Boiler Plate Articles as written (see attached), seconded by Selectman Bobby Lee. Motion passed 4-0.

2. DISPATCH

MOTION by Selectman James LaPrade to recommend \$16,000.00 funding for Dispatch, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 4-0.

3. LAW ENFORCEMENT

MOTION by Selectman James LaPrade to recommend \$91,260.00 funding for Law Enforcement, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 4-0.

4. CONTINGENCY

MOTION by Selectman James LaPrade to recommend \$12,500.00 funding for Contingency, seconded by Selectman Bobby Lee. Motion passed 4-0.

5. GENERAL ASSISTANCE

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to recommend \$6,000.00 funding for General Assistance, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 4-0.

6. SEAL COVE FISHWAY

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to recommend \$500.00 funding for the Seal Cove Fishway, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 4-0.

7. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

a. Public Works Buildings

MOTION by Selectman James LaPrade to recommend \$10,000.00 funding for Public Works Buildings, seconded by Selectman Bobby Lee. Motion passed 4-0.

b. Summer Roads

MOTION by Selectman James LaPrade to recommend \$150,000.00 funding for Summer Roads Service, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 4-0

c. Winter Roads

MOTION by Selectman James LaPrade to recommend \$100,000.00 funding for Winter Roads, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 4-0

d. Town Equipment

MOTION by Selectman James LaPrade to recommend \$14,000.00 funding for Town Equipment, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 4-0

e. Street Lights

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to recommend \$12,800.00 funding for Street Lights, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 4-0

11. OTHER

12. SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING

Red Zone, Time Warner Cable, Harbor House requests, Recreation Board request, Town Trucks, Acadia National Park and Tremont School..

13 SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

Tuesday February 21, 2012 at 5:00 PM.

14. ADJOURN

MOTION by Selectman Bobby Lee to adjourn at 7:16 PM, seconded by Selectman Lester Closson. Motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully submitted
Heidi Kelley
Recording Secretary

Chris Eaton

Bobby Lee

Lester Closson

Hugh Gilley

James LaPrade

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