

**TOWN OF TREMONT
REGULAR SELECTMEN'S MEETING
TREMONT TOWN OFFICE
HARVEY KELLEY MEETING ROOM
MONDAY JULY 2, 2012
6:00 PM**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Chris Eaton opened the July 2, 2012 Selectmen's Meeting at 6:00 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were Chairman Chris Eaton, Board Members Robert Lee III and Hugh Gilley, Town Manager Millard Billings, Chief Keith Higgins Volunteer Fire Department and Mark Good Mount Desert Islander.

3. ADJUSTMENTS/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

There were no adjustments to the Agenda.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. MINUTES OF JUNE 18, 2012

Motion was made by Robert Lee with a second by Chris Eaton to accept the minutes of June 18, 2012 as written. Motion passed 2-0-1 Hugh Gilley abstained; he was not present at that meeting.

5. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

Warrant 137	\$ 4,690.25
Warrant 138	\$ 300.03
Warrant 139	\$ 9,659.49
Warrant 140	\$ 71.30
Warrant 141	\$35,855.43
Warrant 142	\$ 691.92
Warrant 001	\$ 7,895.03

Motion was made by Robert Lee with a second by Hugh Gilley to approve Warrants 137,138,139,140,141,142 and 01. Motion passed 3-0.

Board Member James LaPrade arrived at 6:02 PM.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. RECYCLING UPDATES

Included in the Boards packets are copies of letters from Tony Smith Chairman of Acadia Disposal District to our Congressional Delegation asking for their support

with obtaining the use of the Park Property in Town Hill that was earmarked for a solid waste collection site. There was no action taken regarding this information.

B. ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS

Motion was made by Hugh Gilley with a second by Robert Lee to appoint Lisa Murray, Elaine Eaton, Ruth Grierson and Katharine Pratt to the Bass Harbor Library Board of Trustees. Motion passed 3-0-1 Chris Eaton abstained; his wife was among those being reappointed..

Motion was made by Robert Lee with a second by James LaPrade to appoint Kevin Buck to the Zoning Ordinance Advisory Committee, Mary Jones to the Recreation Board and Elliott Spiker to the Tremont Solid Waste Committee. Motion passed 4-0.

C. CONFIRM JAMES W. WADMAN FOR ANNUAL AUDIT SERVICES

Motion was made by Robert Lee with a second by James LaPrade to confirm the services of James W. Wadman for Tremont's Annual Audit. Motion passed 4-0.

D. MMA BALLOT FOR LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBER

Motion was made by Robert Lee with a second by Hugh Gilley to cast Tremont's vote for Gary Fortier for the MMA Legislative Policy Committee. Motion passed 4-0.

E. SUMMER PAVING PROJECT BID PACKET

The Board reviewed the bid packets for the summer paving projects and took no further action.

F. FIRE CHIEF REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN JUNIOR FIREFIGHTER ACADEMY COLLABORATION WITH CAMP BEACH CLIFF

The Board reviewed the policy and forms that were submitted and agreed with the concept of Junior Firefighters but chose to leave the functioning of the program up to the Fire Department.

G. MDI LEAGUE OF TOWNS, POLLING OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

The Mount Desert Island (MDI) League of Towns (LOT) at their June 26, 2012 Meeting Vote to ask members to poll their municipal officers to see if they are interested in recommending to the County Commissioners that they study their organizational structure and whether a county administrator/manager system may be appropriate to pursue.

The Select Board opted to take no action regarding any recommendation to the County Commissioners.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. REPORT OF ONGOING PROJECTS

There was nothing new to report under ongoing projects.

B. REPORT OF PENDING PROJECTS

There was no new information regarding the trucks or the bodies to report only that the Bond Counsel will have the paper work ready for the Select Board to approve at their next meeting and that the Bank will be ready to sign the loan the following week. The interest rate that we are being offered is 1.99% for a loan of \$135,000.00 for a term of three years.

8. TOWN MANAGERS REPORT

- A. The Elected Officials Workshop was held Thursday June 28, 2012 at Atlantic Oceanside Resort in Bar Harbor and Carl young attended from Tremont.
- B. The Bass Harbor Lobster Boat Races were held Sunday June 24, 2012 at 10:30 AM there was a great turnout despite the weather Jamie Thurlow's name will be added to the plaque for Fastest Lobster Boat.
- C. Maine Coastweek is scheduled for September 15 through 22, 2012.
- D. MDI League of Towns Collaboration Workshop is scheduled for October 17, 2012 at Somesville Fire Station. LOT would like a head count of those who plan to attend. James LaPrade said that he would like to go if it doesn't conflict with his schedule.
- E. The Board had requested an opinion from the Town Attorney as to how much authority the Select Board has over the School Committee. The Town Attorney said basically none and referred to the Municipal Officers Manual published by MMA. Copies of that section of the Manual were provided.
- F. The Board was given copies of an email from the Fire Chief that he had received from the State Fire Marshall's Office, which requested that the Special Amusement Permit that the Select Board had issued to Cap'n Nemo's be held by the Town until the State Fire Marshall reviewed their state application. The Town Manager included copies of an email he had forwarded to the Town Attorney and the Attorney's response that neither the Town Manager nor the CEO have the authority to hold up an application that has been approved by the Select Board.
- G. The Board was given copies of email correspondence between Chief Higgins, the Town Manager and the Town Attorney concerning the use of "Other" and "Such other business as may be legally conducted" language used by another neighboring Town. The Town Attorney did not like either option but conceded that the second option was at least an improvement over the first option.
- H. Town Manager Billings gave the Board an alternative agenda item that he had forwarded to the Town Attorney for an opinion. The article read as follows:
"Any other items that may come in late and are for the boards information proposes only no action to be taken, unless board requests it be placed on agenda for next meeting." Town Manager Billings had not heard back from the attorney at this time, if this would be acceptable.

- I. The Board was given copies of correspondence between the CEO, the Salvi's and their Forester who has verified that the replanting has been done per the plans that he had prepared.

9. OTHER (Such other business as may be legally conducted)

There was no other business discussed.

10. SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING

Review packet from Bond Counsel.

11. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, JULY 16, 2012

12. ADJOURN

Motion was made to adjourn at 6:35 PM by Robert Lee with a second by Hugh Gilley. Motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Millard Billings, Town Manager

Christopher Eaton

James LaPrade

Robert Lee III

Hugh Gilley

Lester Closson