

**TOWN OF TREMONT
REGULAR SELECTMEN'S MEETING
TREMONT TOWN OFFICE
HARVEY KELLEY MEETING ROOM
MONDAY FEBRUARY 4, 2013, canceled no quorum, rescheduled
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 6, 2013
6:00 PM**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Chris Eaton opened the February 6, 2013 Selectmen's Meeting at 6:00 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were Chairman Chris Eaton, Members Bobby Lee, Lester Closson and Hugh Gilley, Town Manager Millard Billings also present were Mark Good of the Mount Desert Islander, Carl Young CEO/Assessor Fire Chief Keith Higgins, Library Board of Trustees Treasurer Carey Donovan, and Greg Johnston Engineer.

3. ADJUSTMENTS/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

There were no adjustments to the agenda.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. MINUTES OF JANUARY 21, 2013

Motion was made by Hugh Gilley with a second by Lester Closson to approve the minutes as written. Motion passed by vote 4-0.

5. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

Warrant 83	\$ 7,719.99
Warrant 84	\$ 534.00
Warrant 85	\$ 11,205.75
Warrant 86	\$ 21,287.46
Warrant 87	\$ 8,148.82

Motion was made by Hugh Gilley with a second by Lester Closson to approve warrants 83 through 87. Motion passed by vote 4-0.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. RECYCLING/SOLID WASTE UPDATES

The Select Board was given copies of the Draft Language for the Rider on the Bill concerning the Deed for the Tremont School. The Board was also given copies of an email from Tony Smith of ADD concerning his willingness to consider the Tremont Rider on the ADD Bill for the Town Hill Property.

When asked what action if any the Board wished to take concerning the information submitted by ADD Director Tony Smith at the last Meeting of the Select Board in regards to the Changes to Bylaws and/or the Interlocal Agreement, the Board expressed the opinion that no changes were necessary.

B. MDOT's MUNICIPAL PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE

Greg Johnston, Engineer was present to discuss and answer any questions the Board might have concerning the MPI program and the proposal for an MPI project with MDOT. The proposed MPI project with MDOT would start at the end of the Clark Bridge replacement Project and continue westerly to the MDOT widening project that was completed in 2011 near Burnt Hill Road. Estimated project costs \$900,000.00 MDOT reimburse up to 50% of costs in a competitive bid by Towns for Funding.

Town Manager Billings asked for the Board to authorize him to explore funding loan options that might be available and report back to the Board in time for a Warrant Article for May Town Meeting.

Motion was made by Chris Eaton with a second by Lester Closson to authorize the Town Manager to explore funding loan options that might be available and report back to the Board in time for a Warrant Article for May Town Meeting. Motion was approved by vote 4-0.

C. APPOINTMENTS

No action was taken under this item.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. REPORT OF ONGOING PROJECTS

Status of Bernard Boat Launch Facility, Ramp Expansion Project; Floats are under construction and the Concrete Paving Planks have been delivered.

B. REPORT OF PENDING PROJECTS

Purchase of Closson Property;
Special Town Meeting of January 29, 2013 approved the purchase of the Closson Property. The vote was 22 yes and 13 no concerning the purchase. Once building is removed sale can be finalized.

8. TOWN MANAGERS REPORT

- A. The Board was given copies of the Agenda for Hancock County Commissioners Meeting February 5, 2013.
- B. The Board was given copies of the Agenda for Community Benefits Special Meeting at the Hancock County Commissioners Office on Wednesday February 27, 2013 at 6:00 PM the purpose of this meeting is to gain insight, ideas and public comment regarding the expenditure of Community Benefit funds generated by the Bull Hill wind project.
- C. The Select Board was given copies of a notice that a MMA Freedom of Access Request Training that is scheduled for Ellsworth April 9, 2013 at the Elks Lodge. If any Board members would like to attend let the Town manager know and he will make the sign in arrangements.

- D. The Board was given copies of the newspaper advertisement for the Assessor/CEO search in 2008. The Job Descriptions for Assessor and CEO and the Interview questions that were used in 2008 for the last Assessor/CEO search.

The Board was asked if the Board wished for the Town Manager to start advertising for the position of Assessor/CEO to fill the vacancy that will occur on July 1, 2013?

Motion was made by Lester Closson with a second by Bobby Lee to authorize the Town Manager to advertise for the position of Assessor/CEO. Motion was approved by vote of 3-1, Chris Eaton voted not to advertise for the position.

The Board was asked if the Board wished for the Town Manager to amend any of the documents: search Ad, Job Descriptions or Interview Questions? No action was taken under this item.

9. ANNUAL BUDGET

A. BOARD & COMMITTEE REQUESTS

1. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE

The Comprehensive Plan Committee is not asking for funds to be raised or appropriated only to carry forward any balance that is available in that account at the end of the year. No action was taken under this item.

2. LIBRARY

Carey Donovan the Library Trustee Treasurer was present to answer any questions concerning the Libraries budget request.

Motion was made by Bobby Lee with a second by Lester Closson to approve the Libraries budget request of \$39,500.00 for the fiscal year 2013-2014.

Motion was approved by vote 4-0.

3. PLANNING BOARD

Motion was made by Bobby Lee with a second by Hugh Gilley to approve the Planning Board budget request of \$4,000.00 for the fiscal year 2013-2014.

Motion was approved by vote 4-0.

4. SEAL COVE PICNIC AREA

Motion was made by Bobby Lee with a second by Lester Closson to approve the Seal Cove Picnic Area budget request of \$6,500.00 for the fiscal year 2013-2014.

Motion was approved by vote 4-0.

5. CEMETERIES

Motion was made by Bobby Lee with a second by Lester Closson to approve the Cemeteries budget request of \$14,000.00 for the fiscal year 2013-2014.

Motion was approved by vote 4-0.

6. MEMORIAL DAY FLAGS

Motion was made by Bobby Lee with a second by Lester Closson to approve the Memorial Day Flags budget request of \$450.00 and to increase the amount of funds to become \$550.00 for the fiscal year 2013-2014. Motion was approved by vote 4-0.

7. SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

Motion was made by Bobby Lee with a second by Lester Closson to approve the Solid Waste Committee budget request of \$3,500.00 for the fiscal year 2013-2014. Motion was approved by vote 4-0.

8. ACADIA DISPOSAL DISTRICT

Motion was made by Bobby Lee with a second by Lester Closson to approve the Acadia Disposal District budget request of \$7,000.00 for the fiscal year 2013-2014. Motion was approved by vote 4-0.

B. MUNICIPAL REQUESTS

1. BOILER PLATE ARTICLES

Motion was made by Bobby Lee with a second by Lester Closson to approve the Boiler Plate Articles for the fiscal year 2013-2014. Motion was approved by vote 4-0.

2. DISPATCH

Motion was made by Bobby Lee with a second by Lester Closson to approve the Dispatch budget request of \$16,000.00 for the fiscal year 2013-2014. Motion was approved by vote 4-0.

3. CONTINGENCY

Motion was made by Bobby Lee with a second by Lester Closson to approve the Contingency budget request of \$12,500.00 for the fiscal year 2013-2014. Motion was approved by vote 4-0.

4. GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Motion was made by Bobby Lee with a second by Lester Closson to approve the General Assistance budget request of \$6,000.00 for the fiscal year 2013-2014. Motion was approved by vote 4-0.

5. SEAL COVE FISHWAY

Motion was made by Bobby Lee with a second by Lester Closson to approve the Seal Cove Fishway budget request of \$500.00 for the fiscal year 2013-2014. Motion was approved by vote 4-0.

10. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY COME IN LATE AND ARE FOR THE BOARDS INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY, NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN, UNLESS BOARD REQUESTS IT BE PLACED ON AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING.

11. SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING

The Board was informed that the joint meeting with the School Department, the Select Board and the Budget Committee had been scheduled for March 18, 2013. The Board was asked if they wished to have a meeting prior to that meeting and were informed that the available dates for the School Superintendent were Tuesday March 5, and Thursday March 7, 2013. The Board by consensus chose Tuesday March 5, 2013 as the date for the first meeting.

12. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2013

The Select Board because the Town Office was closed on Monday February 18, 2013 in observance of President’s Day concurred that the next Board meeting would be held on Tuesday February 19, 2013

13. ADJOURN

Motion was made by Bobby Lee with a second by Lester Closson to adjourn the Meeting at 7:14 PM. Motion was approved by vote 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Millard Billings, Town Manager

Christopher Eaton

James LaPrade

Robert Lee III

Hugh Gilley

Lester Closson