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Board of Selectmen's Budget Workshop Minutes January 30, 2019 Cranberry Isles Town Office, Islesford

Attendance:

Richard Beal, Chairman, BOS Florence Joy Sprague, BOS Cory Alley, BOS Denise McCormick, Town Clerk James Fortune, Administrative Assistant Ben Sumner, Deputy Clerk Katelyn Damon, Public Safety Coordinator Amy Palmer, School Board Cari Alley, School Board

Convene: 8:30am meeting called to order by Chairman Richard Beal.

Other Business

Denise McCormick reports that the Town has been notified by Acadia National Park of a proposed property easement being considered for Map 31-Lot 2, Sutton Island. A hearing will be held by Acadia National Park on February 4, 2019 to accept public comment.

2019 Budget Workshop

Dept. 52- Consensus of the Selectmen is to leave GCI Firetruck purchase in the Warrant for consideration.

Dept. 52- Consensus of the Selectmen is to postpone GCI Cistern project for consideration next year.

Dept. 55- Amy Palmer explains the School Board's budget considerations. The lift repair must be made in order for school to be held on GCI on schedule in 2020-21. The cost of the previous lift has been refunded by the manufacturer. Those funds will be used in addition to the requested amount (\$35,000) to purchase a replacement lift and fit the shaft and building to accommodate the lift safely.

Dept. 55- Cari Alley explains the warrant proposal for a *Repair Reserve* to be established and how the *Special Education Reserve* functions.

Dept. 54- General Discussion of Capital Improvements for Roads. Consensus of the Selectmen is to reduce the previous proposed budget amount of \$250,000 to \$100,000. Priorities will be ditching, roadside clearing, and patching, along with improvements to Harding Point Road and Jimmie's Point Road on GCI and Northwoods Road on LCI.

Dept. 54- Denise McCormick reports that the federal subsidy for commuter ferry service has increased from \$22,000 to \$25,000.

Dept. 56- Discussion of the \$20,000 request from the Islesford Neighborhood House Association for funding towards the septic system installation. Richard Beal proposes, without dissent, to remove budget request and warrant article from consideration for Town Meeting.

Dept. 53- Consensus of the Selectmen is to propose an allocation of \$10,000 towards garage maintenance at Islesford and construction of a lean-to adjacent to the building to shelter snow removal equipment.

Dept. 58- James Fortune reports that no proposals have been received for the Breakwater project at Islesford. The \$100,000 proposed amount is a rough estimate. Consensus of the Selectmen is to proceed with the proposed project, but to adjust the proposed budgeted amount to \$75,000.

Dept. 58- Denise McCormick advises that considerable erosion has occurred at Hadlock Park on Islesford. Richard Beal proposes, without dissent, to budget \$5,000 towards repairs, with the balance being allocated for mowing and maintenance.

Dept. 58- Town Office. Consensus of the Selectmen is to allocate \$30,000 (instead of previous \$10,000) towards completion of work on the Town Office, including installation of a generator and appointment of an ongoing caretaker for the property.

Warrant: Richard Beal proposes, without dissent, that the range of the hourly rate of pay be set at \$18 to \$35 per hour.

Warrant: Discussion of article order in light of the Municipal Advisory Commission possibly being disbanded. Selectmen can appoint members to open seats if MAC is not disbanded.

Warrant: General discussion of open-ended financial warrant articles. Consensus of the Selectmen is to have specified amounts in financial warrant articles, which can be decreased at Town Meeting, but not increased.

VIII. Adjournment

Richard Beal moves to adjourn the meeting. Cory Alley seconds the motion. **Motion approved 3-0.**

Meeting adjourned at 11:07am