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NOTICE OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETINGS

A Board of Selectmen's Meeting will be held at 08:45 AM,
Wednesday, June 19th, 2002
at the Great Cranberry Community Center,
Great Cranberry Island

AGENDA

1. Review minutes of June 4th, 2002 Selectmen's Board Meeting
2. Audience Communications related to Item 3
3. Policy Establishment for Northeast Harbor Parking Permit
Waiting List- Continuation of 4 June 2002 meeting

This second meeting will be a continuation of discussions concerning parking at Northeast Harbor, establishing a policy for the parking waiting list that has a goal of being (1) fair to all and (2) promotes residency on Islesford or Great Cranberry year round. Persons unable to attend are encouraged to put their thoughts and/or recommendations in writing with signature and provide them to one of the Selectmen prior to this meeting.

Additionally, a briefing will be presented on recent Selectmen meetings with the Mount Desert Town Manager, Selectmen and Harbor Committee, including ideas on implementation of solutions to problems associated with the Marine Management Ordinance.

Public Attendance is Welcomed



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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING 19 June 2002

The Town of Cranberry Isles Board of Selectmen's Meeting (second for June) was convened at 08:49 AM, 19 June 2002, at the Great Cranberry Community Center, Great Cranberry Island, Maine 04625. Selectmen Richard Beal, Denise McCormack, and David Stainton were present, along with Town Clerk Frances J. Bartlett. The following members of the public were also in attendance:

Emily Roberts
Kevin Russell
Bruce Komusin
Phil Whitney
Karen Whitney
Roy Hadlock
Fred Day
Louise St. Germain
Louise Strandberg
Clyde Shorey
Susan King
Jan Moss
Pauline Bunker
Charlene Allen
Robin Richman
Richard Cox
Owen Roberts
Jan Roberts
Barbara Stainton
Susan Ward
Janice Smith Murch
Eve Harrison
Ruth Westphal
Wini Smart
Edward Gray
Harvey Bunker
Dr. Robert Frederickson

Joanne Thormann

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 4 JUNE 2002 MEETING (ITEM 1):

Minutes from 4 June reviewed, David motioned for approval, Denise accepted.

REVIEW OF VARIOUS MEETINGS WITH MOUNT DESERT TOWN OFFICIALS (ITEM 2):

David Stainton presented an overview of the last two weeks concerning parking and boating in Mount desert . Specifics on boating in Northeast Harbor concerning dingy and small boat parking was discussed. Discussed the Seal Harbor boating and parking options, including parking for 40 vehicles behind the general store in Seal Harbor. Mentioned the hanging of the second Great Cranberry Island float in Seal Harbor, including problems with the policing of the float. This option appears to be possible for next year but not feasible for this summer. Second option of hanging two finger floats on the south side of the launching ramp in Northeast Harbor might also be possible and is being pursued by the Cranberry Selectmen. David stated that both options of Seal Harbor and the Northeast Harbor finger floats would be ~~pursued~~ *pursued*. Options in Mansett and Southwest Harbor were presented by DS, including the Morris Yacht boat yard.

PARKING PROBLEMS IN NORTHEAST HARBOR (ITEM 3):

Ed Gray and Eve Harrison: More must be done by Selectmen to demonstrate a Cranberry solution to parking. Ask for a zoning variance. Seek out people in town and make offers to purchase property.

David Stainton presented information on the Peabody Drive parking lot proposal which was given to the Selectmen. Deed restrictions from ~~Acadia National Park~~ prevent use of the 65 acres.

David Rodolfella

Harvey Bunker pushed for the Morris Yacht yard stating that we should not be dissuaded by \$1.7 million cost. Morris has 66,000 square feet maybe.

Parking garage was discussed with cost of \$2.0 million for each floor.

COMMITTEE FOR PARKING SPACE EXPLORATION (ITEM 4):

Persons expressing an interest:

Phil Whitney
Eve Harrison
Janice Smith Murch
Kevin Russell
Edward Gray
Barbara Myers
Fred Day

These individuals were formally selected as members of the land acquisition committee: Goals are listed below at the end of this report. Chairman is: Phil Whitney, Great Cranberry with a committee report on 9 July 2002.

MOTION: Richard Beal moved that a committee be formed to investigate properties available on Mount Desert for acquisition by the Cranberry Isles to use as an off island parking site. The committee members are: The committee is authorized to expend up to \$700 for purposes of administration and associated expenses. The committee to be chaired by Phil Whitney will consist of five members reporting back on the second Tuesday of July or such other date as may be determined by the Selectmen. Legal guidance available from the Town attorney: Anthony Giunta. Vote in affirmative and unanimous.

RESERVED PARKING POLICY IN NORTHEAST HARBOR (ITEM 5):

OO: One spot to each household.

- A. Living on the island you get one point for each month over a three year period.
- B. Number of years property taxes have been paid.
- C. Age of the oldest resident in the household
- D. Special situation, i.e. heart attack, disability
- E. Time on the waiting list

The Selectmen believe the following questions should be asked of the Mount Desert Town Manager: Mike McDonald

1. Portable pass for cars to be passed around.
2. Change the date for off season parking.
3. Posting of parking spots when vacant, perhaps at the island post offices.
4. Payment by 15 May or lose your spot.

MOTION: To adopt a policy on the Reserve Parking List whereby the Selectmen shall award places on a basis of:

- A. points to be awarded for months occupied during the last three years,
- B. on the years of payment of property taxes,
- C. age of the oldest occupant, and
- D. special disability needs.

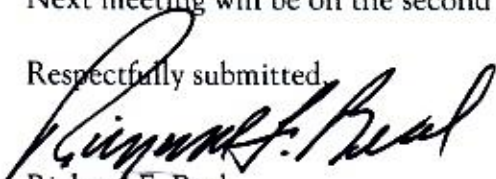
The permits will be limited to one per household.

Motion by David Stainton with unanimous approval for passage.

ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING DATE AND ADJOURNMENT (ITEM 6):

Next meeting will be on the second Tuesday of July 2002. Adjournment at 1146.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard F. Beal
Chairman, Board of Selectmen

Following the Selectmen's Meeting the parking committee held an organizational meeting and established the following goals:

1. Find property via real estate brokers and enlist their net work, perhaps Joanne Thormann.
2. Look at minimum of two acres of land, not swamp. Must consider zoning.
3. Consider proximity to public transportation and ability to travel from lot to the mailboat terminal.
4. Develop the specifics on each lot or land parcel considered for presentation to the Selectmen at July 2002 Selectmen's Meeting
5. Will dredging be required for the property for water access?
6. Authorized to approach various Town Chamber of Commerce with Cranberries approach to purchase property.
7. Check on the viability of the Wallace lot in Northeast Harbor as well as others: Ashley Stanton was broker at Knowles Real Estate
8. Finances: funding required, up front and good faith to hold property
9. Purchase of property by Town in another Town- What legal problems? taxes, jurisdiction, exemptions?

In order to formalize the Town of Cranberry Isles Land Acquisition Committee, the below letter was sent to its Chairman with copy to the Town Attorney, Anthony Giunta:

19 June 2002

Mr. Phil Whitney
Main Road
P.O. Box 161
Cranberry Isles, Maine 04625-0161

Subject: Appointment of Land Acquisition Committee

Reference: (a) Town of Cranberry Isles Board of Selectmen's Meeting, 19 June 2002

Dear Mr. Whitney:

This letter is to confirm your appointment to the Town of Cranberry Isles' "Land Acquisition Committee" with the position of Chairman. Other members of the committee approved by reference (a) are: Orville E. Blank, Fred Day, Edward Gray, Eve Harrison, Barbara Myers, Janice Smith Murch and Kevin Russell. Due to the schedules for some of these members, not everyone will be able to provide as complete dedication to this committee as you might wish, but I'm sure they will be able to offer considerable insight and assistance nevertheless.

Specifically, the Board of Selectmen charge your committee with the following tasks:

- a. Locate property on Mount Desert Island which is available for acquisition and will meet the Town's requirements for a parking lot which will hold a minimum of 150 automobiles, or at least be two acres in size.
- b. Obtain zoning information for the property.
- c. Consider proximity of the property to public transportation and the ability of persons parking to travel from the lot to the mailboat dock.
- d. Will dredging be required, should the property be waterfront in location, to permit access to it by the Mailboat? Assume 8 feet of depth at mean low water tides.
- e. You are authorized to approach various Chambers of Commerce for discussions about the Town's desire to acquire property for parking by Cranberry Islanders and their opinions on having parking in their community.
- f. Determine funding requirements.
- g. Determine if any legal questions exist through acquisition of the property. To this end, you are authorized to contact directly the Town's Attorney, Anthony J. Giunta, at 667-2545 in Ellsworth.

By copy of this letter, Mr. Giunta is asked to offer his opinion to the Town as to:

- a. Should Cranberry Isles, as a municipality, purchase property in another town such as Southwest Harbor, is that property now exempt from property taxes?
- b. Would the Town of Cranberry Isles, if the owner of property in another municipality, have to provide police, fire, and other essential services for that property; or do those services remain with the municipal jurisdiction in which the property formerly existed?
- c. Would the Town of Cranberry Isles have to follow the zoning and code regulations of the host town, or employ its own, since the Town has through its acquisition extended the boundaries of the Town of Cranberry Isles?

The Board of Selectmen request that your committee report back to the Board on 9 July 2002, at the Islesford Neighborhood House, where the monthly Selectmen's Meeting will convene at 08:30 AM. Funds have been voted and set aside to meet basic expenses by your committee as well as any legal services in the pursuit of answers to land acquisition with invoices sent to the Town Clerk.

It is the intention of the Board of Selectmen to call for a Special Town Meeting in August 2002 to publicly address the results of your committee's search and to seek approval for funds in which to act upon your committee's recommendation(s). Please keep the Board actively informed of your progress, ideas, or roadblocks encountered. We wish to run, not walk, on this issue!

/s/ Richard F. Beal
Chairman
Board of Selectmen

cc:
Board of Selectmen
Town Clerk
Anthony J. Giunta, Esquire