

NOTICE OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

A Board of Selectmen's Meeting will be held at 08:30 AM, Tuesday, July 3rd, 2001 in the Great Cranberry Community Center, Great Cranberry Island

AGENDA

- 1. Review Minutes of last Board of Selectmen's Meeting
- 2. Town Clerk/Treasurer's Financial Warrants
- 3. Audience Communications
- 4. Proposed Special Town Meeting: re Islesford Wharf Repairs and Funding
- 5. Wharf Design (Islesford) for Statement of Work
- 6. Parking Situation Northeast Harbor (Concerns of NE Selectmen and possible solutions)
- 7. Institution of Ramp Fees Discussion
- 8. Gravel Pit Grading Contract (Great Cranberry)
- 9. Other items at pleasure of Selectmen

Public Attendance is Welcomed



MINUTES OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING 3 July 2001

The Town of Cranberry Isles Board of Selectmen's Meeting was convened at 0845 hours, 3 July 2001 in the Great Cranberry Community Center, Great Cranberry Island, Maine 04625, with business conducted pursuant to the published agenda that is attached to this report. Selectmen David Stainton, Richard Beal and Denise McCormick were present, along with Town Clerk & Treasurer Frances J. Bartlett. The audience consisted of Robert Lea and Robin Richman of Great Cranberry.

NOTE TAKING:

Richard Beal took notes for transcribing of meeting minutes and also produced during the meeting an audio tape recording, using Tapes #7 and #8 which remain in his possession for reference.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (ITEM 1):

Minutes of the 5 June 2001 regularly scheduled board meeting were provided to each Selectman and the Town Clerk. On motion of David Stainton, with second by Denise McCormick, the minutes were accepted with the original document being provided to the Town Clerk for permanent filing in the Town's records. Chairman Stainton reviewed each of the action items from the 5 June 2001 meeting prior to continuation of the 3 July 2001 agenda.

- A. Transfer Station: The State is assigning a case worker to review our situation and make recommendations. No further action is planned until the state report is received.
- B. Road Repairs: Tim Ring of Ring Paving Company is working towards our location and it is anticipated that island work will commence sometime in July.
- C. Abandoned Vehicles: John Goodwin Construction Company removed eleven abandoned vehicles from the Islesford Town Pit. Not all of these automobiles were identified as to ownership. Checks by some Islesford residents (\$50 each) are still being held by Margaret Blank at the Islesford General Store. Payment for Goodwin Construction's bill is to be taken from the contingency fund. Fifteen cars were removed at this same period from Great Cranberry Island with each car owner paying Goodwin's \$200 per car.
- D. Leach Field on Islesford: Construction of the public toilet leach field is completed but the toilets are not expected to be ready for use until about 15 July 2001. A

permit for this construction and installation was signed, on authority of the State of Maine, with the condition that the formal easement to be granted by the Islesford Lobster CO-OP be completed promptly by lawyers for both sides.

PIERSON BEACH RAMP (ITEM 2):

Chairman Stainton has talked with Dr. Pierson about accepting this ramp on behalf of the Town and its subsequent move to the location of the current town ramp. When this can occur and how it will be paid for remains to be determined.

ACTION: DAVID STAINTON

DOCKING RULES AT FLOATS (ITEM 3):

Chairman Stainton is researching this subject and requests that the topic be placed on the August 7^{th} agenda.

ACTION: DAVID STAINTON

TOWN v. WHITNEY LEGAL ACTION (ITEM 4):

This law suit continues with the anticipated hearing in Hancock County Superior Court in June 2001 now postponed until late August or September, perhaps even later for the fall term of court, due to the backlog of cases by the Court. A witness list has been requested by the Town's attorney, Anthony Giunta, in his letter to the Chairman dated 27 June 2001.. The proposed lists is: Edward Gray, Michael Macfarlan, David Stainton, Beverly Sanborn and Christopher White of Great Cranberry; Wilfred Bunker of Trenton, Maine and Herman Savage of Southwest Harbor, Maine.

ACTION: DAVID STAINTON

2001 PROPERTY TAXES (ITEM 5):

The collector of taxes, Frances J. Bartlett, reported that tax bills would be sent to property owners this month. The mill rate has increased from 5.3 to 7.3 which is still considerably lower than most towns in Maine. She is also preparing the legal notices (30 day notice) for delinquent taxes based on non payment of year 2000 taxes. Any payment towards these taxes must first be applied to those years previous to year 2000 for any earlier non payments. Revaluation of the town continues but without word as to when Gary Blanchette will be completed.

ACTION: FRANCES J. BARTLETT

JOHN GOODWIN CONSTRUCTION CO. ESTIMATES (ITEM 6):

Formal estimates have been received from John Goodwin Construction Company for work on the leach field at Islesford (\$20,000) and at the Great Cranberry town pit (\$9,950) for time and material, with ½ of the bill submitted for payment. Both of these proposals were accepted by unanimous vote, signed, and provided to the Town Clerk for retention and filing.

PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT (PSAP) (ITEM 7):

On 2 July Selectmen David Stainton and Richard Beal, along with resident Christopher White of Great Cranberry Island, attended the Mount Desert Board of Selectmen's Meeting. As part of that meeting a presentation was heard from County Commissioner Dennis Damon and Emergency Preparedness Director Ralph Pinkham, both representing Hancock County Government. The Cranberry Board of Selectmen discussed this presentation and its applicability to the Cranberry Isles, including the "Enhanced 911" features. The county government continues to assembly a cadre of representatives from each Hancock County town to discuss this topic and develop some type of public safety answering point, other than the one being initiated in Bar Harbor for service to the Mount Desert Island area. At the moment the Board does not see any benefit to town participation in this county effort.

ACTION: DAVID STAINTON

REPAIRS TO ISLESFORD TOWN DOCK (ITEM 8):

On motion of Richard Beal, with second by Denise McCormick, a warrant will be prepared notifying the citizens of Cranberry Isles of a special town meeting to be held on Great Cranberry Island on 31 July 2001 at 07:00 PM for the purpose of addressing two issues:

- a. Approval to borrow up to \$350,000 for repairs to the Islesford Town Dock, and
- b. Approval to initiate ramp landing fees for both Great Cranberry and Islesford.

ACTION: RICHARD BEAL

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIONS (ITEM 9):

A. Gasoline for State Police Cruiser: On motion of Richard Beal, seconded by David Stainton, the Board approved having Richard Beal initiated paperwork with the Cranberry Futures Group for a gas station key for use by the State Police in filling up their cruiser while it is on Great Cranberry. The State will pay for its own gas, and the funding for the key will be returned once the key is no longer required and returned to the Futures Group Gas Station.

- B. Acadia Park Bathroom Islesford: Denise McCormick advised that Acadia Park is willing to continuing permitting the Town and visitors use the park bathroom facilities until the public town toilet complex is completed. She will finalize any details with park officials, and the Board authorized \$300 for pumping of the park septic tank and \$200 for electricity.
- C. Joy Street Parking Lot for Cranberry Isles property owners: On motion of Richard, with second by Denise McCormick, Selectman Beal will write a letter to the Town Manager of Mount Desert requesting their assistance in assigning an off duty policeman to monitor the Joy Street parking lot and as necessary enforce the parking restrictions. Additionally, the town will be asked to install a "Tow Zone" sign at this lot. Notification of the intention to begin towing away illegally parked cars being 1 August will be made by placing a warning on each automobile in the Joy Street parking lot. (Note: The letter to the Town Manager, with copy to the Town Police Chief, was written and issued, notification also placed on the Beal & Bunker ferry boat and on each car in the parking lot by Selectman Beal. A copy of that letter is attached.
- D. Golf cart operation, open burning and deer hunting: Resident Robin Richman of Great Cranberry asked to address the Board concerning the three topics of golf cart operation, open burning restrictions and deer hunting (past and in the future). She expressed her views on each subject in considerable detail with a contrasting views on deer hunting from Selectwoman McCormick and Town Clerk Bartlett. Ms. Richman also does not believe that there is total compliance with the State of Maine "no open burning" regulations and discussed her view on the "significant dangers of burning toxic materials".

FINANCIAL WARRANTS (ITEM 10):

Financial warrants were presented to the Board for their approval and signatures in the following amounts:

a. \$19,884.62 John Goodwin Construction Matt Skolnikoff

b. \$33,701.13 Town attorney Anthony Giunta

Kim Keene, CEO

John Goodwin Construction

c. \$13,530.00 Town bills

d. \$22,364.87 School payroll

Total: \$89,480.62

TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE

NEXT MEETING (ITEM 11):

The meeting concluded at 11:20 AM with agreement to hold the 7 August 2001 meeting at the Islesford Neighborhood House at 08:30 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard F. Beal

On 7 August 2001 the above report was read and accepted on voice vote of the Selectmen.

RFBeal

11 July 2001

Town of Mount Desert 21 Sea Street P.O. Box 248 Northeast Harbor, Maine 04662

Attn: Mr. William R. Steele, Town Manager

Subject: Enforcement of Parking Rules at Joy Street Church Parking Lot for Town of Cranberry Isles

Ref: (a) Town of Mount Desert Board of Selectmen's Meeting, dtd 2 July 2001; Subj: Parking in Northeast Harbor

(b) Town of Cranberry Isles Board of Selectmen's Meeting, dtd 3 July 2001; Subj: Parking in Northeast Harbor

Dear Mr. Steele:

Pursuant to discussions references (a) and (b) the Town of Cranberry Isles requests the assistance of the Town of Mount Desert in addressing parking at the Catholic Church parking lot on Joy Street by:

a. Installing a sign which states "Tow Zone", or words to that effect, at the Joy Street Catholic Church parking lot which is leased to the Town of Cranberry Isles for long term parking of vehicles with parking permits. The Town of Cranberry

Isles will cover the cost of this sign and its installation.

b. Providing an off duty Northeast Harbor Police Officer to periodically check the Joy Street lot effective 1 August 2001 and have all unauthorized vehicles towed from this lot to such location as the Town's towing contractor takes Northeast Harbor towed vehicles. The Town of Cranberry Isles considers a vehicle to be unauthorized to use this lot if it does not have a "Parking Permit" issued by the Town of Cranberry Isles displayed on the vehicle's dash board and visible to an inspecting officer. We understand that the cost of this officer's service (about \$50/Hr.) will be billed directly to our Town Clerk, Frances J. Bartlett, P.O. Box 15, Islesford, Maine 04646.

We trust that these measures will assist in alleviating some of the parking problems for Cranberry Isle property owners and their guests for it is our belief that this Joy Street lot is being used by individuals not associated with the Cranberry Isles. We are also actively addressing the concerns expressed by Mount Desert's Selectmen relating to illegal over night parking and trying to ensure that Cranberry Isle residents, property owners and their guests understand fully what their responsibilities are regarding parking of their automobiles. In that regard I have placed a notice on the Beal & Bunker ferry boat as to permit requirements at the Joy Street lot and have also placed a similar notice on each automobile presently in that lot.

For continued coordination of these matters I will serve as the point of contact and ask that you or the Chief of Police contact me for any problems or suggestions for continued easement of parking problems.

Richard F. Beal Selectman

Town of Mount Desert Police Chief

Chief John C. Doyle Town of Cranberry Isles Town Clerk Frances J. Bartlett