

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
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KATELYN DAMON  
TCI LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER  
CARI ALLEY

**Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes  
October 5, 2021  
Cranberry Isles Town Office**

**Attendance:**

Richard Beal, Chairman, BOS	Katelyn Damon, PSC.
Florence Joy Sprague, BOS	Dennis Dever, CEO & LPI
Cory Alley, BOS	Phil Whitney
Denise McCormick, Town Clerk	Hayley Fenton
James Fortune, Administrative Assistant	Joanne Thormann
Ben Sumner, Deputy Clerk	

**I. Call to Order:** 8:30am by Chairman Richard Beal.

**II. Review / Sign Financial Warrants**

Warrant #40	\$ 139,644.52
Warrant #41	\$ 16,934.09
Warrant #42	\$ 626.67 (tax abatements)
Warrant #43	\$ 19,465.06 (school)
Warrant #44	\$ 9,591.80
Warrant #45	\$ 239,612.77
<u>Total:</u>	<u>\$ 425,874.91</u>

All warrants were signed by the Selectmen.

General discussion of longer term loan for broadband. Denise McCormick recommends consideration of bond bank along with regular bank to determine best terms available.

#### **IV. New Business (taken out of order)**

##### **A. American Rescue Plan Act 2021**

Denise McCormick reports that the Town is eligible to receive about \$14k in federal funds. The application has been completed. She advises that funds can only be spent after a Town Meeting on a targeted list of items related to Covid-19. General discussion. Consensus of the Selectmen to recommend allocation of funds toward broadband infrastructure. Chairman Richard Beal directs, without objection, applicable Warrant Article be prepared.

##### **V. Other Business (taken out of order)**

Katelyn Damon reports on Maine Community Health Options grant received by the Cranberry Isles Rescue Service to be used towards upgrades to Telemed services.

##### **B. Co-Op Road Reconstruction Update**

James Fortune reports on construction. Discussion of vehicles crossing the Town Field. James Fortune to discuss with the contractor about keeping the road continuously open during the construction.

Florence Joy Sprague reports on a blocked culvert on Main Street. Cory Alley recommends fire truck be used to open the culvert. General discussion of culvert issues.

##### **C. GCI Dock Repairs Update**

James Fortune reports that wave fence replacement has been completed. Two of three replacement bulkheads have been constructed and will be installed soon.

##### **D. 15 Mansell Lane Update**

James Fortune reports that the Mansell Lane Committee is working on details of four recommendations: selling the property, offering building for removal, tearing down building and prepping vacant lot, or converting property into a residential rental property. Chairman Richard Beal requests a Warrant Article draft from the committee by January 4, 2022.

**V. Other Business (continued) (taken out of order)**

Richard Beal reports that he is preparing Warrant Article to confirm or update the Town's liquor laws in compliance with a recent notice from the State.

**E. Town Insurance Policy Renewals**

Denise McCormick reports on insurance costs. No action taken.

**F. Preble Cemetery Trust Account**

Richard Beal reports that the Town does not have authority to contract repairs for the Preble Cemetery. The Town only holds the funds in trust. No descendants of the buried have stepped forward to form a committee or organization to oversee the repairs. Richard Beal recommends tasking the Great Cranberry Island Historical Society with arranging repair of the fencing due to its previous work on the Stanley and Spurling Revolutionary cemeteries. The Town would be able to release the trust funds for the applicable repairs. Richard Beal moves to request the Great Cranberry Island Historical Society to contract for, and oversee repairs to, the Preble Cemetery for an amount less than, or up to, the balance in the Preble cemetery trust fund account. Cory Alley seconds the motion. **Motion approved 3-0.**

Denise McCormick reiterates that the Town is not taking over care of active cemeteries located within the Town; it is merely the trustee for the Preble Cove Cemetery Fund, which covers only fencing repairs.

Phil Whitney, President of the great Cranberry Historical Society, is in attendance and agrees to accept the project on behalf of the society.

**V. Other Business (continued)**

James Fortune reports on a request to leave the Town float at Sutton Island throughout the upcoming winter. Cory Alley advises that the float was left once before and was destroyed. James Fortune reports the replacement cost would be about \$22k. Selectmen agree, without dissent, to reject the request.

Dennis Dever reports on the completion efforts of a multi-party septic system on Sutton Island.

Denis Dever reports on extensive cleanup efforts underway on a private property. Richard Beal requests an update on the effort by the December Selectmen's meeting.

### **III. Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes: September 14, 2021 (taken out of order)**

Selectmen agree by unanimous consent to approve the September 14, 2021 Selectmen's meeting minutes as written.

### **VI. Audience Communication**

Phil Whitney requests an additional summer float be installed at the GCI Town Dock. General discussion. Cory Alley recommends additional guest moorings be sited for each island. Denise McCormick advises that the Harbor Committee is required by the Harbor Ordinance to notify owners or any moorings that might need to be relocated due to float or Town mooring installations. Consensus of the Selectmen is to have Warrant Articles prepared for consideration concerning an additional summer float at the GCI Town Dock and for additional moorings at each Town dock.

### **V. Other Business (continued)**

James Fortune reports on issues with the Town bathrooms. Richard Beal proposes, without objection, a Warrant article for the 2022 Town Meeting for a new public toilet on LCI.

James Fortune reports on a new location for the school van to park at the GCI Town dock.

Cory Alley recommends road repairs needed at Islesford. General discussion. Richard Beal proposes, without dissent, that estimates be prepared for the 2022 Annual Town Meeting.

### **VII. Executive Session**

None.

### **VIII. Adjournment**

Richard Beal moves, without objection, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 10:26am.