

SELECT BOARD
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DENISE Mc CORMICK

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
TO THE SELECT BOARD
JAMES FORTUNE

PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATOR
SHARON MORRELL

Select Board Meeting Minutes
October 3, 2023
Cranberry Isles Town Office

Attendance:

Cory Alley, Chair, Select Board	Phil Whitney (by video)
Amanda Bracy, Select Board	Joanne Thormann (by video)
Denise McCormick, Town Clerk	Carl Brooks (by video)
James Fortune, Admin. Asst.	Sally Wigutow (by video)
Ben Sumner, Deputy Town Clerk (by video)	Brendan Ravenhill (by video)
Sharon Morrell, PSC	

I. Call to Order: 3:15pm by Cory Alley.

II. Review/Sign Financial Warrants

Select Board reviews & signs Financial Warrants

Warrant #43	\$ 15,010.98	
Warrant #44	\$ 56,536.47	(school)
Warrant #45	\$ 9,768.97	
<u>Warrant #46</u>	<u>\$ 272,099.64</u>	
Total:	\$ 353,416.06	

All warrants were signed by the Select Board.

III. Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes: September 5, 2023

Chairman Cory Alley moves, without objection, to approve the September 5, 2023 meeting minutes as written.

IV. New Business

A. Work Plan Updates

James Fortune reports an engineered plan for Mansell Lane has been submitted to the Southwest Harbor Planning Board and will be reviewed on October 19.

Cory Alley reports repairs need to be made to salt sheds on both GCI and LCI.

James Fortune reports roadside ditching is scheduled for October 25.

B. Task Updates

Cory Alley reports that there are no updates.

C. Versant: Sutton Island Project Update

Cory Alley reports on visit to Sutton Island yesterday. Versant and Axiom will be returning to clean up remaining debris. He recommends a contractor be retained to make repairs to the boardwalk. General discussion of mitigating drainage issues under the boardwalk.

D. Land Use/Shoreland Zoning Ord.

Ben Sumner reports the Planning Board has met and approved changes to building height calculations in the shoreland zone to reflect updated state law. A public hearing will be held before the end of the year.

E. Fireworks Ordinance

General discussion. Amanda Bracy to meet with James Fortune to discuss revisions for recommendation to the Board.

E. Sign G.A. Ordinance

Denise McCormick presents annual updates to the General Assistance Ordinance. Select Board reviews and signs ordinance.

F. Community Action Grant: Award for Town Office Solar Project

James Fortune reports the State has awarded the Town a grant of \$49,340 towards the installation of solar power at the Town Office.

G. Sutton Island Dredging Project

James Fortune reports soundings have been made. Cory Alley recommends that some pilings should be replaced and repairs made to keep the Sutton Island dock sound. James Fortune reports that Lauren Gray has agreed to clear ice from the winter float this year.

H. MSW Contract/Junk Car Removal

James Fortune reports that B.C.M. has informed the Town that it will end its junk car removal program on December 15 due to a lack of feasibility.

I. HHW/UW Update

James Fortune reports on the annual Household Hazardous Waste/Universal Waste pickup that took place at the Town transfer stations on September 22.

V. Other Business

Amanda Bracy reports on parking lot congestion in Northeast Harbor. James Fortune will contact the Town of Mount Desert to discuss.

VI. Audience Communication

Carl Brooks reports he has completed a Working Paper (#5) regarding a growth management plan for the Town with the goal of raising the year-round population to 200 residents and requests a November agenda item for discussion. Cory Alley agrees to add an agenda item to the November meeting.

V. Other Business (continued)

Sharon Morrell presents a draft plan for reforming the fire departments into one unit within the Town. General discussion. Denise McCormick recommends forwarding the plan to the Town Attorney for review.

Sharon Morrell reports on GCI ambulance ramp repair issues.

IX. Executive Session: Personnel Matter, 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A)V.

None.

X. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned, without dissent, at 3:50pm.