

BUSTINS ISLAND VILLAGE CORPORATION
Minutes of the Board of Overseers Meeting
February 6, 2010 – 9:00 AM
Freeport Public Safety Building, Freeport, ME

The Board of Overseers met at 9:00 AM at the Freeport Public Safety Building in Freeport, ME on Saturday, February 6, 2010. Those present were: Tony **DeBruyn**, Chairman; Scott **Bonney**; Roger **Leland**, Pat **LaFleur**, Faith **Baker**, John **Garfield**, Treasurer; Sue **Spalding**, Clerk; and Peg **DeBruyn**, Acting Secretary. Also present for the meeting: Charles Johnson, Ron Tozier, Dave Dickison, Rob Taisey, and Lorraine Leland.

MINUTES

ACTION: A motion was made (Baker), seconded (Bonney), and unanimously passed to accept the minutes of the January 9 meeting as presented.

A request was made to number the pages of the minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

02/05/10 from Charlie Johnson, Updated bid from Ulrickson & Sons
01/12/10 from Frank Kastenholz, Captain's contract, plus Boat Committee notes
01/26/10 from Marcia Hohn, Planning Board notes and schedule
01/26/10 from Marcia Hohn, Septic proposal

F. Baker requested that all Board members receive copies of all correspondence received by any member.

S. Spalding noted that the State is considering new regulations regarding how Board members communicate and keep records. She will keep the board informed.

CLERK'S REPORT – Sue Spalding

No report at this time.

TREASURER'S REPORT – John Garfield

John distributed copies of the Register Report for 1/1/10 through 1/31/10, Treasurer's Talking Points, Actual Year-to-Date Spending for the period ending 31 January, and the Combined Balance Sheet through 1/31/10.

ACTION: A motion was made (DeBruyn), seconded (LaFleur), and unanimously voted to authorize the payment of checks written and submitted by the Treasurer in the Treasurer's Register Report dated 2/3/10 for the period 1/1/10 through 1/31/10.

ACTION: A motion was made (DeBruyn), seconded (Bonney), and unanimously passed to accept the Treasurer's Report.

MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR/Superintendent (MS-S) REPORT – Charles Johnson

New Public Float – C. Johnson reported that he received the final cost numbers from Ulrickson & Sons. He noted that the biggest issue in replacing the float is the increased weight due to the heavier materials used (14,000 pounds total for the new float vs. 8 or 9,000 pounds for the old float). It will

require more floatation. Weight should not be an issue in hauling the new float, although it may require a higher pulley and new ways extensions. The payment schedule is \$7,000 upfront, \$3000 upon delivery of the materials, with the balance paid on delivery of the completed float. The old float will go “as is” to one of several people who have expressed interest. The only charge will be for the new floatation installed last summer (\$300), if wanted; otherwise the island will keep the floatation. Charlie will put on the bottom paint, which he normally does anyway. J. Garfield said there is no problem with funds for the down payment; we will likely use the Red Fund for some of the total cost. The contract is ready for signing, which Charlie will handle.

F. Baker noted that all details should be reflected in the contract; the contract crafted by R. Leland does include all specifications. D. Dickison suggested putting a gangplank between the boat and the float; he was referred to the Boat Committee.

Public Wells – F. Baker reported that she attended a meeting arranged by Dan Jellis and Dick Sweet regarding the public wells. The Board considered and discussed a number of alternate approaches. One issue concerned how many transient users come to the island by ferry and use the wells. Faith suggested that we gather data this summer to show that there are few, if any, transient users and to gauge well usage. She noted that there may be objections if we continue the current system year to year.

C. Johnson reported that he will have the 2010 public well schedule available for the next meeting. The schedule should also be printed in the spring issue of the *Store Porch*.

There was discussion about the potential for drilling a public well near the golf course, and the fact that the Brewer Cottage well may be useable if some issues are addressed, including its proximity to the existing outhouse and former honey pit.

OTHER BUSINESS

Superintendent Contract – T. DeBruyn requested moving this item to Executive Session later in the meeting.

Superintendent Evaluation – The Board decided to postpone this item until the March meeting, when the Board will go into Executive Session with C. Johnson.

Appointments – T. DeBruyn reported that Tanya Sweatt is interested in joining the Boat Committee. D. Dickeson also expressed interest. Both memberships expire in 2012.

ACTION: A motion was made (DeBruyn), seconded (Baker), and unanimously passed to appoint Tanya Sweatt and Dave Dickison as members of the Boat Committee.

T. DeBruyn expressed interest in joining the Zoning Board of Appeals as an alternate member, and offered to talk to Rob Boone about joining as the second alternate member. Both memberships run through October 31, 2012.

ACTION: A motion was made (DeBruyn), seconded (Leland), and passed with one abstention (DeBruyn) to appoint Tony DeBruyn as an alternate member of the Zoning Board of Appeals, term ending 10/31/12.

At this point Ron Tozier spoke about training that he is currently taking in support of his position as CEO; he noted that water pollution is a current hot topic. He explained that microbursts and tree cutting result in faster water runoff into the ocean, and that when a drainage ditch becomes a stream, it is regulated by the State. As an island we need to be aware that we need to slow the volume and speed with which water leaves the island. Thus, culvert work means slowing water flow, not increasing it. He noted that the DEP may regulate tree cutting beyond 250 feet in the future, which would basically involve the whole island. The island needs to be educated about this issue.

Ron also spoke about the fact that Bustins does not have a building code and were we to adopt a code, it would have to be the Federal Building Code, which currently affects every town of 2000 or more people. By 2012, this number could drop to 500. Ron recommended that we track this issue but there is no need to do anything immediately.

Ron also reported that the septic laws have changed resulting in a new definition of grey water and that it is not possible to simply “move” an outhouse. He also noted that the island must follow State regulations regarding subdivision.

T. DeBruyn asked Ron to offer any recommendations he can regarding these regulations. Ron noted that he is in the process of putting up a web site with the current codes, pictures, and a place for owners to ask questions.

Historical Society Building Lighting – T. DeBruyn referred to a letter from Kim Bohem regarding the lighting. The Board suggested that the lighting use the existing electricity in the Public Safety Room. The process for the project is that the BOO approve the design, that the work be done by a licensed electrician, and that it be inspected by CEO R. Tozier. S. Bonney will be the BOO liaison for this process, and will contact Rob Taisey, Ben Carr, and Kim Bohem. T. DeBruyn noted that the BOO is approving the project but it is not a BOO project.

Septic Tank Disposal Proposal – Referring to a letter from Marcia Hohn and other members of the Planning Board, T. DeBruyn noted that their proposal is not a Planning Board issue. There are 40-plus septic tanks on the island and there is need for an effective pumping solution. The Board agreed to work on a proposal, which may involve budgeting capital costs and reuse capability for any purchased equipment. P. LaFleur agreed to respond to Marcia that the Board is taking their proposal under consideration.

ACTION: A motion was made (DeBruyn), seconded (LaFleur), and passed unanimously to go into Executive Session for discussion and consideration of the assignment, duties, and evaluation process of public employees pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A §405(6)(A).

The session lasted from 11:15 AM to 12:10 PM.

Boat Captain/Boat Manager Contract – T. DeBruyn reported that the Board had received positive feedback on last summer’s schedule changes. Board members should think about scheduling issues in preparation for the March meeting, with the plan that the 2010 schedule should begin in mid May.

It was suggested that we use volunteers as deck hands to allow more flexible scheduling, but noted that deck hands must be enrolled in the drug test program and there is an associated cost.

R. Taisey asked if there was a possibility of installing curtains and a bus heater in the passenger area of the Lilly B. He was referred to the Boat Committee.

T. DeBruyn reported that Frank Kastenholz had provided a report and contract for the Boat Captain. The contract recommends hiring Lesley Berry as Boat Captain/Manager at a salary of \$21,850.

ACTION: A motion was made (DeBruyn), seconded (Baker), and unanimously passed to hire Lesley Berry as Boat Captain/Manager at the recommended salary.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning Board – T. DeBruyn reported that Marcia Hohn had provided a schedule of the upcoming Planning Board meetings.

Zoning Board of Appeals – No report.

Finance Committee – No report.

Public Safety Committee – No report. F. Baker noted that Freeport is intending to consolidate their emergency response system with Brunswick, which may affect Bustins. Faith volunteered to attend the February 23 Freeport Council meeting, where this will be discussed.

Boat Committee – No report.

Landscape Committee – No report.

By-Laws Review Committee – No report.

REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS

F. Baker noted that Bustins is not represented at Freeport meetings regarding parking and volunteered to continue tracking this issue.

R. Taisey asked if Andy Spalding planned to attend Harbormaster Training. S. Spalding will find out.

T. DeBruyn requested that the Harbormaster be sure to place marker buoys when the Lilly B. starts running.

PUBLIC COMMENT

P. LaFleur asked when overseers would be going off the committee. Tony/Pat leave in 2010; Faith/Scott in 2011/; Roger in 2012.

R. Taisey reported that it would require about \$1000 to connect an existing gray water system at the Community House. This will be discussed at the March meeting.

R. Leland asked that he receive a copy of the Public Float contract when signed. Peg will handle.

ACTION: A motion was made (DeBruyn), seconded (Baker), and unanimously passed to adjourn.

The meeting ended at 12:20 PM.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 27, 2010 – 9:00 AM at the Freeport Public Safety Building, Freeport, ME

(rescheduled from March 13)

Saturday, April 17, 2010 – 9:00 AM at the Freeport Public Safety Building, Freeport, ME

Sunday, May 30, 2010 – 9:00 AM at the Brewer Cottage, Bustins Island, ME

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret DeBruyn
Acting Board Secretary