

BUSTINS ISLAND VILLAGE CORPORATION
Meeting of the Board of Overseers
September 11, 2021 – 9:00 AM
Approved October 16, 2021

The Board of Overseers met at 9:00 AM at the Community House, Bustins Island, ME on Saturday, September 11, 2021. Overseers present were: Hank **Rauch**, Chair; Amanda **Meyer**, Vice-Chair; Tanya **Sweatt**, Judy **Hayes** and Craig **Allard**. Other officers/appointees/ contractors present were Sue **Spalding**, Clerk; Tony **DeBruyn**, Treasurer; Crawford and Candy **Taisey**, Straight Edge Construction (Superintendent);

1. MINUTES. On a motion made and seconded it was **VOTED 4-0** (Allard not present) **via roll call vote** to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2021 Board of Overseers meeting, as amended.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT- None

3. CLERK’S REPORT – No report at this time.

4. TREASURER’S REPORT – Tony DeBruyn

On a motion made and seconded it was **VOTED 5-0 by roll call vote** to authorize the payment of checks written and submitted by the Treasurer in the Register Report dated 9/10/2021 for the period 8/1/2021 through 9/10/2021.

It was decided to close the BIVC safe deposit box and move the contents to secure holding at the BIVC storage unit.

5. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Straight Edge Construction

- Crawford is continuing to work on the drainage under the library.
- Some tree work will be done on 9/17. Individuals will pay for their own work.
On a motion made and seconded it was **VOTED 5-0 by roll call vote** to approve the payment of \$4785, as proposed, to Brewer Tree & Landscape, LLC, for BIVC tree work.
- Question of what to do with logs? Options include removal, drop and leave, create a new log dump, purchase or rent some big tree-moving equipment, barge.
- Question of how to coordinate use of barge trips with BIVC and private use.
- A load of gravel is coming this week.
- Treads of Pidges Cove stairs need to be re-fastened.
- The broken door on the BIVC bulletin board was replaced.
- We need two new flags for the Community House: USA and Maine.

6. APPOINTED OFFICIALS' AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Administrative Assistant - September tasks were reviewed.

On a motion made and seconded it was **VOTED 5-0 by roll call vote** to close the Bustins Island roads according to the following Order of

Closing:

Following a public hearing pursuant to Title 23 MRSA section 2953(2), and authorized by the voters of the Bustins Island Village Corporation at their Annual Meeting on August 4, 2018, and voted unanimously by the Board of Overseers at their meeting on the 11th of September, 2021, the undersigned Chair of the Board of Overseers of the Bustins Island Village Corporation, Maine hereby orders all Bustins Island roads closed from November 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022.

b. BAC – No report at this time

c. By-Laws Review Committee – No report at this time

d. CEO – No report at this time

e. Harbormaster - No report at this time

f. Landscape Committee - No report at this time.

g. Planning Board – A hearing and a meeting are coming up.

h. Public Safety Committee - No report at this time

i. Trash Subcommittee – The Trash Subcommittee was charged with addressing and report to the Board by February on the following issues: number of bags handled, non-Sunday trash pickup, returnables, recyclables, how changes would affect the Trash Collector job description.

j. Water Commissioner – Wells were tested at the end of August. The Ewing well did not pass. Crawford will treat it with Clorox off-season.

k. Webmaster – No report at this time.

k. ZBA - No report at this time

7. Correspondence of note

8/10/2021 – EM & Call with Charlotte Kahn re Green Infrastructure Project update (follow up call 9/4/2021)

8/10/2021 – EM from Tim Baker re request for BIVC authorization letter for existing Walingorfa dock

8/11/2021 – EM from Peter Shepard & Coley Mulkern re Freeport Coastal Waters Commission meeting

8/17/2021 – EM from Shelby Smith of Vinal Energy re vehicle paperwork

8/17/2021 – EM from Barb Skelton re response times for islander/contractor requests

8/19/2021 – EM from Patrice Kastenzholz re concerns about Delta variant and public safety

8/19/2021 – EM from Sue Spalding re stolen gasoline tanks from skiffs @ Public Dock

8/20/2021 – Various EM & phone correspondence re prep for TS/Hurricane Henri

8/24/2021 – EM from Debbie Crane re island trash issues, 2 bag limit not on posted info sheet

8/25/2021 – EM from Peter Shepard re Protect the Passage group opposed to Bailey Coffin aquaculture and desire to post about their group on island Facebook pages
8/28/2021 – Call with Steve Hann re comparisons to Cushing Island (follow up call 8/31/2021)
8/30/2021 – EM from David Gosnell re Planning Board CUP hearings scheduled for 9/19/2021
8/31/2021 – EM from John Abramson re Maine CDC recommendations for confirmed Covid-19 exposure
9/1/2021 – EM from Ali Bushman re CAAN – Citizens Against Airboat Noise
9/2/2021 – EM from Bob Konczal, Freeport Town Assessor, re 15-25% increase in property valuations. *We will forward to all island property owners*
9/3/2021 – EM from David McCoy re posting of soil sample data, feedback on process from Amy McCoy
9/4/2021 – EM from Protect the Passage re Bailey Coffin Aquaculture lease proposal
9/10/2021 – EM from Tony DeBruyn re Yarmouth Boy Scout request to camp at Bustins

Email correspondence is stored in Google Mail.

8. ACTION ITEMS – The Board reviewed and updated as needed.

9. CAPITAL PROJECTS - The Board reviewed and updated as needed.

10. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Airboat noise** – Monitoring action by others, but BIVC not actively participating.
- b. **Bailey Coffin Aquaculture** – Coley Plante says that he cannot make barge deliveries to the island with the aquaculture structure as proposed. BIVC needs to be proactive on this issue.
- c. **Large Equipment Permits** – **On a motion made** and seconded it was **VOTED 5-0 by roll call voted** to approve the large equipment application for Vinal Energy as submitted.
- d. **Remote Participation** – Managing off-season meetings. Sue will arrange for a place for in-person participation as required by law when using Zoom.
- e. **Short-Term rental “Policy” & Island safety guidelines.** Mandy and Tanya will compile list of concerns to start the process.

11. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Tim Baker Dock.** **On a motion made** and seconded it was **VOTED 5-0 by roll call vote** to verify that the existing dock structure (the Baker dock) abutting Lot A7 & A9 (on the Bustins Island Zoning Map) has permission to exist in the BIVC Shore Reserve and be maintained in accordance with the BIVC Zoning Ordinance.

- b. Scout Request to camp at Bustins. On a motion made** and seconded it was **VOTED 5-0 by roll call vote** to approve the request for a Yarmouth Boy Scout group to camp on the Golf Course this fall under the conditions of no open fires, they must bring their own water and provide their own sanitation.
- c. Succession Planning.** We will devote the entire December meeting to this issue.
- d. Any Other New Business** – None.

12. NEXT MEETING: Next meeting is Saturday, October 16, time and place TBA

2021 Schedule for Board of Overseers:

Saturday, October 16, Location in Freeport & Zoom
Saturday, November 13, Location in Freeport & Zoom
Saturday, December 11, Location in Freeport & Zoom

Note: Meetings may be cancelled or additional meetings called with due notice. Please confirm by checking BIVC.net

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

14. ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 11:03 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Susan Spalding, Secretary