



SELECT BOARD MEETING
Town of Southwest Harbor
Southwest Harbor Fire Station & Via Zoom*
6:00 p.m. ~ Tuesday, September 28, 2021

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair George Jellison, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:12 pm

2. ROLL CALL:

Board members: George Jellison, Jr., Carolyn Ball, Allen Willey, Dan Norwood, Town Manager, Dana Reed via Zoom and Town Clerk Marilyn Lowell.

A. Excused Absences- Chat Terry excused.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: *Request of the Town Manager for a motion to adopt the agenda as presented (or amended).*

Motion by Norwood to adopt agenda with amendment to add Fire Chief Chisholm after Police Department. Second Willey. Passed 4/0/0.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *Request of the Town Manager for a motion “to approve the minutes of . . .*

A. August 24, 2021

Amended and printed for signatures.

B. September 14, 2021

Motion by Norwood to approve SB Minutes of September 14, 2021 as presented. Second Willey. Passed 4/0/0.

5. POLICE DEPARTMENT: *Recognition of Officer Colt Bernhardt and Dispatcher Traci Patton for outstanding service.*

Police Chief John Hall presented the Life Saving Award to Traci Patton and Colt Bernhardt for outstanding service.

Fire Chief Thomas Chisholm presented the Life Saving Award to Will Shephard for outstanding service.

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6. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. General Assistance Ordinance:** *Public comment on and possible adoption of a new version of the General Assistance Ordinance.*

Motion by Norwood to adopt the new version of the General Assistance Ordinance. Second Willey. Passed 4/0/0.

7. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

A. Conservation Commission:

- i. Valerie Bodner:** *Possible appointment to a two-year term as an associate member of the Conservation Commission.*

Motion by Ball to appoint Valerie Bodner to a two-year term as an associate member of the Conservation Commission. Second Norwood. Passed 4/0/0.

- ii. Kathleen B. Slack:** *Possible appointment to a two-year term as a member of the Conservation Commission.*

Motion by Norwood to appoint Kathleen B Slack to a two-year term as a member of the Conservation Commission. Second Willey. Passed 4/0/0.

- B. Housing Authority:** *Request of Duane Bartlett, Executive Director of the MDI & Ellsworth Housing Authorities, for reappointment of Henry Barendse to a four-year term on the Southwest Harbor Housing Authority.*

Motion by Willey to reappoint Henry Barendse to a four-year term on the Southwest Harbor Housing Authority. Second Norwood. Passed 4/0/0.

8. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

Motion by Norwood to approve GF W#35, Town Payroll W#34, 35, 923 & 930, School W# 31 & 32, Conservation Commission W# 928. Second Willey. Passed 4/0/0.

9. REGULAR BUSINESS:

- A. Quit Claim Deed:** *Request of the Treasurer for approval and signing of a quit-claim release deed to Ronald B. Sawyer and Carole A. Pinkham for Map 018 Lot 041 at 5 Trap Mill Road for which all outstanding tax liens have been resolved.*

Motion by Ball to approve and sign quit-claim release deed to Ronald B. Sawyer and Carole A. Pinkham for Map 018 Lot 041 at 5 Trap Mill Road for which all outstanding tax liens have been resolved. Second Norwood. Passed 4/0/0.

B. Code Enforcement: MDI Lobster, LLC –

- i. *Request of the Code Enforcement Officer for authorization of an 80K Enforcement Action in the courts against MDI Lobster, LLC.*

Motion by Ball to authorize CEO to file an 80K Enforcement Action in the courts against MDI Lobster, LLC. Second Norwood. Passed 4/0/0.

- ii. *Request of the Code Enforcement Officer for authorization to engage a local attorney to represent the Town in the 80K Enforcement Action in District Court against MDI Lobster.*

Motion by Ball for authorization of the CEO to engage a local attorney to represent the Town in the 80K Enforcement Action in District Court against MDI Lobster. Second Willey. Passed 4/0/0.

C. Recycling: *Request of Jim Vallette that the Select Board discuss restarting our recycling program.*

Motion by Norwood to request and authorize Dana Reed to contact EMR to discuss possibility of starting recycling up again. Second Willey. Passed 4/0/0.

D. Workforce Housing: *Request of Acadia National Park for support of a legislative amendment to change the proposed use of the 55-acre Town Hill parcel from a solid waste transfer station to affordable workforce housing.*

~Bar Harbor and Tremont have given consent for support.

~John Williams feels Island Housing Trust should look at 100-200 families because of the demand already existing on the Island.

Motion by Norwood for the support of a legislative amendment to change the proposed use of the 55-acre Town Hill parcel from a solid waste transfer station to affordable workforce housing. Second Willey. Passed 4/0/0.

E. Municipal Review Committee: *Request of the MRC for nominations of members.*

Motion by Ball to nominate James Vallette to MRC Board of Directors Second Norwood. Passed 4/0/0.

10. TOWN MANAGER’S REPORT

~Acadia Fuel Contract ~Zoomed workforce meeting ~scheduling for Ambulance
~Nov. Bobcat delivery ~Paving done this fall ~Hinckley Yachts area will be done next spring. ~Working on completing the American Rescue Program Act Grant. ~Zoomed Covid Task Force. ~Oct. 12th Public Hearing for Remote Policy. ~Talked with Oliver Curry about moving Harbor Master Bldg. closer to water to see harbor better. Obtaining enforceable signage and a dumpster at Upper Town Dock. ~Mutual Aide Agreement

with emergency situation using temporary services from other Island Towns. ~Main Street on track for Jan. bids.

11. SUGGESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING: *No action will be taken, other than to place the requested item on the next agenda.*

Infrastructure meeting for garage.

12. NEXT MEETING DATE: *Possible adoption of a motion to confirm the date of the next regular meeting for Tuesday, October 12 at 6:00 p.m. at the Fire Station.*

Motion by Willey to confirm the date of the next regular meeting for Tuesday, October 12 at 6:00 p.m. at the Fire Station. Second Norwood. Passed 4/0/0.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ball to adjourn at 7:27 p.m. Second Norwood. Passed 4/0/0.

APPROVED

George Jellison, Jr., Chair

Carolyn Ball, Vice Chair

Dan Norwood

Chad Terry

Allen Willey