

**Minutes of the Meeting
Of the
Board of Commissioners
Of the
Fishers Island Ferry District**

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District was held in the Fishers Island community Center on **Tuesday, November 3, 2009** at 4:30 PM.

Present were Commissioners: Brooks, Burnham, duPont and Edwards.
7 members of the community attended.

Minutes of the previous meeting of October 20th were distributed to the Board. After a brief discussion and 2 minor corrections the new minutes were submitted and approved.

Moved by Commissioner duPont;

Seconded by Commissioner Edwards.

Ayes all.

A listing of the outstanding obligations of the District was distributed to the Board for audit and discussion. At the conclusion of the discussion, a resolution to pay the outstanding obligations of: **\$3,964.93** as represented by vouchers **#437 through #457**, dated November 4, 2009 was;

Moved by Commissioner duPont,

Seconded by Commissioner Burnham;

Vote of the Board of Commissioners:

Ayes: Commissioners: Brooks, Burnham, duPont and Edwards.

Nays: None

Correspondence

1. A letter from Tom Shillo, asking to purchase some district property was distributed to the board. After some discussion, [the Board decided that at this time](#), they are against selling any property managed by the Ferry District.
2. A letter from Laurie Finan of Shutters and Sails, who is a lessee of the District, was distributed to the Board. Ms. Finan has asked for the Board to consider the heat loss of her property when collecting data for revising the rents. She has also asked to have the road and parking area by her property repaired.
3. A year round pass for Karl and Lisa Eirikson was submitted and approved.
4. A year round pass for Gary Vollinger was submitted and approved. A question arose as to why the 4 month waiting period was waived. The applicant is the husband of the Union Chapel Pastor. The Board will review the process for future applicants who may be under a yearly contract.

Old Business

1. The Ad Hoc Committee distributed their financial projections for the remainder of 2009. The report projects a budgetary deficit of \$89,725.00. The Board was congratulated on a good job and it was suggested to extend the term of the committee. It was argued that an Ad Hoc committee has a sole purpose and term. After some discussion, it was agreed that a new committee will be picked at the next scheduled Ferry District meeting.
2. The upcoming lease renewals were discussed. There are a lot of discrepancies in the square footage pricing among the properties. There are also a number of properties that need to be cleaned up. The leases need to be re-written with specific details for each individual property. This undertaking should be a group Commissioner effort.
3. Proposed new freight rates were distributed by the Ad Hoc Committee. The rates were raised \$.25 per 50 lbs. and there was some discussion that the increase was not large enough. The Committee thought that a 25% increase was enough. Further discussion and review is necessary before the rates are enacted.
4. A letter from Highway Superintendent Peter Harris concerning the District backhoe was discussed. The Board would like to continue the discussion and Commissioner Edwards will have Jim Ski check the backhoe for a resale price.
5. The Board would like to discuss the FIDCO request for land mitigation on District property at an Informational Meeting to be held on Saturday, November 28th at 2:00 PM in the Community Center, if the FIDCO and engineering representatives are available. The Board feels this date will be more convenient for the public to attend, since it is on the Thanksgiving weekend. The meeting will be advertised on the web page and in the FOGHORN. Questions for attorney Egan; Does the District need to hold a Public Hearing to accept the FIDCO proposal? Does the Town need to approve the resolution if the District accepts the proposal?

New Business

1. The upcoming oil bid was discussed. A question arose as to why the bid states a 7,000 gallons minimum delivery and the use of a 4" flexible hose. Captain Easter will be contacted to provide this information before the bid is sent out.
2. The upcoming mail bid was discussed. The contract expires at the end of 2009. Notices will be posted soliciting bids from any interested parties.
3. A preliminary "year round resident" list was distributed to the Board for the upcoming distribution of 2010 cards. The lists will be reviewed by the Commissioners and discussed at the next meeting. The Commission would also like to review the existing requirements for obtaining year round status.

Public Comment

1. Could the Board please place the subject of junk cars and the back parking area on the agenda for the next meeting? Will do.

Next scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, October 16, 2009 at 1:00 PM at the Fishers Island Community Center.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM

Thomas F. Doherty
Manager/Secretary
Fishers Island Ferry District