

**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 FI Community Center on **Monday, June 14, 2010** at 4:30 PM.

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

Minutes of the meeting held on June 1, 2010 were discussed by the Board. After some discussion, the minutes were **MOVED** by Burnham; **SECONDED** by 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: **\$25,328.49** as represented by vouchers **#858 through #871**, dated June 14, 2010 was;

Moved by Commissioner duPont,

Seconded by Commissioner Edwards;

Vote of the Board of Commissioners:

Ayes: Commissioners: Burnham, duPont and Edwards.

Nays: None

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Correspondence

1. Year round pass requests:
 - a. Laura Kucsera approved.
 - b. Samantha Algren tabled.
 - c. Nesto Rara denied, more proof required.
 - d. Emmanuel Fortin denied, more proof required.
 - e. Andrei Karachun approved.

Old Business

1. Leases were discussed. One appraiser has decided not to participate. The other appraiser has asked if the Board would still like to continue. The Board would like to proceed in obtaining an estimate for the project.
2. Final paving project figures were distributed to the Board. Both the revenue and the cost numbers were supplied to the Board.

3. Harvard Business School has suggested finding students on Fishers Island that may undertake the consultant survey. It was suggested to contact some graduates of the school who currently summer on the island. It was also suggested to contact Cross Sound Ferry to find out who performs their consulting needs.
4. Assistant Manager Schmid has consulted with Groton Tower personnel as well as an owner of a local flight service concerning Touch and Go operations at Elizabeth Field. Both parties have recommended that Touch and Goes be banned at the airfield. The Board agreed and a NOTAM will be published.
5. A part time cola raise was tabled until the next meeting.
6. May numbers and 2011 budget worksheets were distributed to the Board. Management will supply preliminary budget figures at the next meeting.
7. CT excise tax is now being paid on all fuel invoices. To date, no refund applications have been submitted pending the letter from the tax attorney.

New Business

1. The second phase of the Airport Crack Repair and Sealing Project is underway. C&S has contacted the Town Attorney to see if the next phase could be an extension of the first contract, which would save engineering and bidding fees.
2. A community member has asked to form a fund raising committee to finance repairs at the movie theatre. The Board agreed with the request but wants to confirm that donations made to the committee are truly tax deductible. The new committee will be asked if they would like to take over the operation of the theatre. A request to check the ratings and attendance ages was fielded from the audience.
3. The marquee at the movie theatre needs some attention. The trim will be removed to inspect the structural support. After the necessary repairs, bids for preparing and painting the entire front section will be sent to local contractors.
4. Voting requirements for the upcoming election were reviewed by the Board. A time line leading up to the election was approved by the Board. Attorney Egan will be contacted with regards to appointing tellers and circulating petitions.
5. The much anticipated traffic sign has arrived in New London and is being utilized. Questions arose concerning the Sunday morning staging on Fishers Island. It was suggested to employ a local resident who could start the staging process before the arriving first boat and that the current stager be asked if he could work weekends and have Tuesdays and Wednesdays off.
6. A request from SeaStreak LLC concerning the use of the NL parking area for bus turnarounds was denied by the Board. The reply to SeaStreak should include suggestions of using the Cross Sound Ferry or New London bus station to stage the busses and also that the Board is willing to listen to any additional information.
7. A motion to hire Phillip Bonang as a part time deck hand was approved by the Board. The motion is a part of these minutes.

Public Comment

1. Nancy Parsons suggested that an extra boat be put on the schedule on Thursday of Memorial Day weekend. She also stated that some of the crew needs to be more accommodating. She continues to feel that tickets need to be “punched” when collected at the ramp.
2. Cynthia Riley thanked the Board for the scheduling help with the school play. On behalf of the Garbage District she requested the possibility of 4:40/5:40 charters for the garbage roll offs. She expects the charters will be more expensive than a regular charter. The Board will discuss the issue with Captain Easter and get back to her with a decision.
3. Laurie Finan asked about repairing the back parking lot. It is getting very difficult to drive on. The Board agreed to at least have it “back bladed” and possibly find some material to place in the ruts.
4. Deb Shillo asked about detailing the revenues and expenditures for any future capital projects. John Cushman will be contacted.

Executive Session

The Board entered into Executive Session at 6:15 PM.

The Board exited Executive Session at 6:30 PM.

Next scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 6, 2010 at 4:30 PM in the Fishers Island Community Center.

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Thomas F. Doherty
Manager/Secretary

