# Fishers Island Ferry District

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Commissioners Fishers Island Ferry District June 16, 2014

A Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District (the "Ferry District") was called to order on June 16, 2014 at 4:32 PM by Commissioner Edwards at the Fishers Island Community Center.

Present were Commissioners Cook, Edwards and Rugg. Present were Manager Don Lamb, Asst. Manager Gordon Murphy and Jane Ahrens. Public included Mr. Peter Burr, Mr. Peter Gaillard, and Mrs. Roberts.

Commissioner Edwards opened the meeting and declared a quorum present. Everyone in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mrs. Roberts questioned the cost of sending plants over on the ferry. She was charged per plant rather than having them delivered on a pallet. Mr. Galliard commented that planes are not charged enough for use of Elizabeth Field and suggested a review of collecting tail numbers.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Lamb shared a post on BeatBike Blog regarding the cost of sending a bike over vs. a car. A letter from FICC regarding assistance with ferry ticket costs for the Island's 400th Birthday Block party food truck and DJ was shared. A letter from Lighthouse Works requesting permission to place temporary art installations in two locations managed by the Ferry District was discussed and permission was granted.

### **REVIEW OF MEETINGS and MINUTES**

Minutes of the meeting held on May 12, 2014 were approved with an edit.

MOVED by: Commissioner Rugg SECONDED by: Commissioner Cook

AYES: All NAYES: None

### WARRANTS

A list of outstanding obligations of the Ferry District was received and discussed. All invoices were declared to abide by Procurement Policy. Following a discussion, a resolution was made to pay the outstanding obligation totaling \$31,423.64.

MOVED by: Commissioner Rugg SECONDED by: Commissioner Cook

AYES: All NAYES: None

## **MANAGER'S REPORT:**

### Warrants:

On June 9<sup>th</sup> Board of Commissioners meeting Commissioners Edwards and Rugg approved warrants in the amount of \$55,371.26. All invoices were declared to abide by Procurement Policy. After a brief discussion it was agreed that the Board of Commissioners ratify the above decision.

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MOVED by Commissioner Rugg SECONDED by Commissioner Edwards

Ayes: All Nays: None

### TrackPad:

Mr. Lamb reported that the freight TrackPad is in place and all systems are nearly complete. It notifies a customer by email when the packages are coming over from New London. All freight items, no matter the vendor, are now on the same tracking system.

### HR:

The Ferry District is in need of additional part-time captains. Several deck hands with 100-Ton licenses have been identified. Current staffing includes 4 full-time and 2 part-time captains.

### **Lighthouse Works Art Installation Request:**

Request the permission of the Fishers Island Ferry District for an artist in residence with The Lighthouse Works to create two temporary, outdoor public artworks on Ferry District property.

The Project:

Gabriela Salazar, The Lighthouse Works' inaugural Public Art fellow, will come to the island in July and August and will (with your permission) construct two artworks: one on or near the cement "platform" near the Ferry Annex lot (see attached photo: Site 1) and one on the cement platform adjacent to the airport (see photo: Site 2). Both pieces will be the size of the platforms in square footage, and will be no taller than one story. They'll be sculptural in appearance, but will have interior elements that passersby will be able view through windows -- or, in the case of the airport-area piece in particular, actually enter the structure to view. The pieces will reflect the artist's interests but will also make a statement about the island and the ways in which we might creatively imagine its future.

Timeframe:

Ms. Salazar will arrive on the island on July 5 and will begin construction shortly thereafter (while she may need to block off a small corner of the Annex lot, we shouldn't need to significantly impact parking, unlike last year's project). She'll have an indoor studio and a wood shop for pre-fabrication of materials, so only assembly will happen on-site. The artworks will be officially unveiled in a public opening and celebration on Saturday, August 2nd (5-7 pm). With your permission, we'd like to leave the sculptures up for about four weeks. At the end of August, Ms. Salazar will return to disassemble the sculptures, leaving the landscape exactly as it was before.

Insurance and Safety:

At its own expense, Lighthouse Works will add any necessary coverage to its existing liability policy on the Ferry Annex studios and will name the Ferry District as an additional insured party. Lighthouse Works will also handle all necessary safety and accessibility modifications, again at its own expense.

MOVED by Commissioner Rugg SECONDED by Commissioner Cook

Ayes: All Nays: None

### **Vending Machine Update:**

Regarding the vending machines (1 on each ferry) Mr. Lamb has spoken to School Principal Karen Goodwin about the possibility of turning this fundraiser over to the senior class (working to train the junior class in the spring of each year). This comes as CJ Finan graduates and who

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had previously managed the machines. The beverage vending machines are managed by the Ferry crew for their discretionary fund,

# **Whistler Avenue Property:**

The District has been approached by the School Board regarding the possibility of renting the house to a teacher. The Ferry District will discuss further with the School Board.

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

#### **STAFFING**

On June 9<sup>-</sup> 2014 Board of Commissioners meeting Commissioners Edwards and Rugg approved hiring Duncan Harvey as a seasonal part-time reservationist on Fishers Island for \$10.56 per hour. After a brief discussion it was agreed that the Board of Commissioners ratify the above decision.

MOVED by Commissioner Rugg SECONDED by Commissioner Edwards

Ayes: All Nays: None

At the June 16, 2014 meeting of the Fishers Island Ferry District Board of Commissioners, the following resolution was brought by the Board.

WHEREAS, the Fishers Island Ferry District requires the services of senior deckhands and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Jonathan Hiller has achieved his 100 ton license and has a desire to become a captain, and is therefore been promoted to a full time senior deckhand at a rate of \$16.00 per hour with effect July 3, 2014.

On a **MOTION** by Commissioner Rugg **SECONDED** by Commissioner Cook

Ayes: all Nays: none

# **Entering Executive Session:**

At 5:10 the following resolution was proposed:

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel.

Proposed by Commissioner Rugg Seconded by Commissioner Cook

Ayes: all Nays: none

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners Fishers Island Ferry District will be held Monday, July 7, 2014 at 4:30 pm at the Fishers Island Community Center.

## **Meeting Adjournment:**

There being no further business to discuss, and on motion made by Commissioner Cook, seconded by Commissioner Rugg, and unanimously adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.