

FISHERS ISLAND FERRY DISTRICT

May 9, 2016

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

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District (the "Ferry District") was called to order on May 9, 2016 at 4:30 PM by Chairman Ahrens at the Fishers Island Community Center.

Commissioners Andrew Ahrens, William Bloethe, Harry Parker, and Dianna Shillo were present. Commissioner Peter Rugg attended by telephone. Diane Hansen, Gordon Murphy, and Elizabeth Burnham also attended.

Chairman Ahrens opened the meeting and established that a quorum was present. Everyone in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag.

Public Comment

The Board reviewed its correspondence, noting a letter of appreciation from the Cook family. There was no other correspondence.

Constance White spoke to the Board in appreciation for the confidence and hospitality the District and its crew showed her in her recent return to full-time island residency.

Meg Atkin spoke to the board to voice her frustrations about the overall cost of transportation to and from the island, and requested that the Board keep the overall cost of the island life in mind as it reviews pricing structures.

Minutes

The Board reviewed and discussed the minutes from its April meetings.

RESOLUTION 2016-80

RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby approves the minutes of the April 11, 2016, meeting as proposed.

Moved by: Commissioner H. Parker

Seconded by: Commissioner W. Bloethe

Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo

Nays: None

In discussing the minutes of the April 25, 2016 meeting, Commissioners Parker and Shillo recused themselves because they were absent at that meeting. Without a quorum, the Board tabled the approval of these minutes until the May 23, 2016, meeting.

Warrant

The Board reviewed and discussed a list of outstanding financial obligations provided by D. Hansen, then passed the following resolution.

RESOLUTION 2016-81

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RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby approves the Warrant dated May 9, 2016, in the amount of \$64,199.25.

Moved by: Chairman A. Ahrens
Seconded by: Commissioner H. Parker
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

Budget Modification

The Board discussed and approved the following 2016 budget modification provided by D. Hansen.

RESOLUTION 2016-82

RESOLVED that the Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby amend the 2016 Fishers Island Ferry District budget as follows:

Decrease Appropriations

SM5709.2.000.000	Repairs - Other	\$10,986
SM5710.2.000.100	Ferry Repairs - Munnatawket	\$30,000
SM5710.4.000.300	Fuel Oil, Vessels	\$10,000
	Total	<u>\$50,986</u>

Increase Appropriations

SM.1310.4.000.000	Accounting/Financial	\$5,000
SM.5709.2.000.200	Repairs - Docks & Terminals	\$10,986
SM5710.2.000.200	Ferry Repairs - Race Point	\$30,000
SM5710.4.000.600	Janitorial Supplies	\$5,000
	Total	<u>\$50,986</u>

Moved by: Commissioner H. Parker
Seconded by: Commissioner D. Shillo
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

Management Reports

G. Murphy reported on traffic through the month of April. The Board noted that detailed data would be necessary to justify the replacement of the Munnatawket with a vessel that has more deck space, and directed management to continue its efforts to provide that level of detail.

Mail Delivery

The Board reviewed the mail delivery bid and resolved the following:

RESOLUTION 2016-83

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WHEREAS the current contract with William Bloethe for USPS mail pick-up and delivery expires on July 1, 2016, only one bid was received, and management recommends renewing its contract with Mr. Bloethe at the rate of \$9,600 per year;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, subject to review by counsel, that the Board of Commissioners hereby accepts the quote from Mr. Bloethe for a two-year contract, directs and authorizes Mr. Gordon Murphy to execute the contract, and authorizes management to pay invoices up to that amount when properly invoiced and approved.

Moved by: Commissioner H. Parker
Seconded by: Commissioner D. Shillo
Ayes: A. Ahrens, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None
Recused: W. Bloethe

Vessel Fuel

The Board reviewed the vessel fuel bid and resolved the following:

RESOLUTION 2016-84

WHEREAS the RFP for vessel fuel was issued on April 13th and duly advertised, one bid was received, and management recommends Dime Oil Co LLC based on price;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, subject to review by counsel, that the Board of Commissioners hereby accepts the quote from Dime Oil Co LLC for a one-year contract beginning June 1, 2016, directs and authorizes Mr. R J Burns to execute the contract, and authorizes management to pay invoices up to that amount when properly invoiced and approved.

Moved by: Chairman A. Ahrens
Seconded by: Commissioner W. Bloethe
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

Elizabeth Field Update

The Board reviewed the current landing and ramp fee schedule and directed management to clarify that the seasonal fees should apply only to non-commercial traffic. The Board will consult with members of the Airport Committee to leverage their specialized knowledge.

Management reported on its continued efforts to align the Town of Southold (airport title holder of record), FEMA (grant administrator), C&S (contractor), and counsel in order for Southold to acquire revenue anticipation notes that will enable runway lighting work to be completed and FEMA to reimburse the the District. Management will be working to extend the grant timeframe if necessary to ensure the project can be completed using the FEMA grants.

Management also anticipated repairing asphalt and cracked sealing in the next five years.

Salt Barn

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The Board returned to a matter tabled at a previous meeting, and resolved the following:

RESOLUTION 2016-85

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has exhausted all alternative options for the placement of a storage building for road salt; and

WHEREAS, the Ferry District's responsibility for management of airport lands pursuant to the Enabling Act includes monitoring the condition of buildings thereon;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the placement of a road salt storage building on a parcel at the corner of Airport Road and Whistler Ave., subject to restrictions upon building placement and design, landscaping/screening, future expansion, maintenance, and environmental and other impacts, as agreed upon with the Property Committee and as outlined in a long-term usage agreement.

Moved by: Commissioner H. Parker
Seconded by: Commissioner D. Shillo
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

Policy on Holding Last Boat on Saturdays

In response to a particular request, the Board discussed amending an overall policy on holding boats, and resolved the following:

RESOLUTION 2016-86

WHEREAS the ferry is sometimes held for brief periods in order to accommodate certain customer requests that do not require charter trips;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the following update to its policy on holding the last boat of Saturday night:

For commercial requests or private non-charitable purposes, the Ferry District will impose a fee of \$600 per hour with a minimum hold time of fifteen (15) minutes and a maximum of sixty (60) minutes.

For charitable purposes, management may elect to waive the fee.

Management shall post the change a minimum of four weeks before such schedule change.

Moved by: Commissioner D. Shillo
Seconded by: Commissioner W. Bloethe
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

Executive Session

At 5:59 pm, the following resolution was proposed:

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RESOLUTION 2016-87

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners move into executive session for the purpose of discussing the hiring and employment status of particular persons.

Moved by: Commissioner W. Bloethe
Seconded by: Commissioner H. Parker
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

That business being concluded, at 6:17 pm, the following resolution was proposed:

RESOLUTION 2016-88

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners exit executive session and resume public session.

Moved by: Commissioner W. Bloethe
Seconded by: Commissioner H. Parker
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

Human Resources

The following resolutions were proposed and accepted:

RESOLUTION 2016-89

WHEREAS Jeffrey Nossek was hired on October 15, 2015, and has completed a six-month probationary period as Purser (FIFD); and

WHEREAS Resolution 2016-74 was unclear;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners rescinds Resolution 2016-74; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board increases Mr. Nossek's wages when working as part-time Purser (FIFD) or full-time Purser (FIFD) from \$14.93 to \$15.93, retroactive to April 15th, 2016.

Moved by: Commissioner H. Parker
Seconded by: Commissioner D. Shillo
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

RESOLUTION 2016-90

WHEREAS the collective bargaining agreement with the Civil Service Employees Association grants a 3% longevity increase to wages when an individual has been employed by the Fishers Island Ferry District for five years; and,

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WHEREAS John Hiller has met those requirements,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mr. Hiller's wages be increased from \$18.73 to \$19.29 when performing his duties as Deckhand (FIFD), and from \$23.46 to \$24.16 when performing his duties as Captain (FIFD), effective May 24, 2016.

Moved by: Commissioner H. Parker
Seconded by: Commissioner W. Bloethe
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

RESOLUTION 2016-91

WHEREAS, the Ferry District offers a \$1 increase in wages at the completion of a probationary period;
and

WHEREAS Kristopher Dorsett satisfactorily completes his probationary period on May 18, 2016;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mr. Dorsett's wages as Deckhand (FIFD) be increased from \$14.93 to \$15.93, effective May 18, 2016.

Moved by: Commissioner H. Parker
Seconded by: Chairman A. Ahrens
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

RESOLUTION 2016-92

WHEREAS the Ferry District requires additional full-time Deckhands (FIFD) during the peak season between May 18, 2016, and September 18, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Chriss Bridgman has previously worked as a seasonal full-time Deckhand (FIFD);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District reappoints Mr. Bridgman as a seasonal full-time Deckhand (FIFD), at \$11.56 per hour, effective May 18, 2016. On September 18, 2016, Mr. Bridgman will change status to part-time Deckhand (FIFD).

Moved by: Commissioner H. Parker
Seconded by: Commissioner W. Bloethe
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

RESOLUTION 2016-93

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WHEREAS the Ferry District requires additional full-time Deckhands (FIFD) during the peak season between May 18, 2016, and September 18, 2016; and

WHEREAS Timothy K. Hoch and Chase Lettrich were appointed as part-time Deckhands (FIFD) in Resolution 2016-63; and

WHEREAS Ryan Healy was appointed as a part-time Deckhand (FIFD) in Resolution 2016-64;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Mr. Hoch and Mr. Lettrich be appointed as seasonal full-time Deckhands (FIFD), effective May 18, 2016. On September 18, 2016, both Mr. Hoch and Mr. Lettrich will leave the employ of the District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mr. Healy be appointed as seasonal full-time Deckhand (FIFD) effective May 18, 2016. On September 18, 2016, Mr. Healy will change status to part-time Deckhand (FIFD).

Moved by: Commissioner H. Parker
Seconded by: Commissioner W. Bloethe
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

RESOLUTION 2016-94

WHEREAS the Ferry District requires additional full-time Deckhands (FIFD) during the peak season between May 18, 2016, and September 18, 2016; and

WHEREAS Mark Boehm, Richard Jenkins, Steven Conary and Ryan Jennette are all part-time Deckhands (FIFD);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mr. Boehm, Mr. Conary and Mr. Jennette be appointed seasonal full-time Deckhands (FIFD), effective May 18, 2016, and their wages shall increase from \$10.99 per hour to \$11.99 per hour. On September 18, 2016, each will change status to part-time Deckhand (FIFD).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mr. Jenkins be appointed seasonal full-time Deckhand (FIFD), effective May 18, 2016, and his wages shall increase from \$10.98 to \$11.99 per hour. On September 18, 2016, he will change status to part-time Deckhand (FIFD).

Moved by: Commissioner H. Parker
Seconded by: Commissioner D. Shillo
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

RESOLUTION 2016-95

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WHEREAS the Ferry District requires additional full-time Deckhands (FIFD) during the peak season between May 18, 2016, and September 18, 2016; and

WHEREAS Rodney Brown, Edward Bridgman and Peter Gilmore are all part-time Deckhands (FIFD) and Josh T. Davis is a temporary call-in Deckhand (FIFD);

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Mr. Brown, Mr. Bridgman and Mr. Gilmore be appointed seasonal full-time Deckhands (FIFD), effective May 18, 2016. On September 18, 2016, each will change status to part-time Deckhand (FIFD).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mr. Davis be appointed seasonal full-time Deckhand (FIFD), effective May 18, 2016. On September 18, 2016, Mr. Davis will change status to part-time Deckhand (FIFD).

Moved by: Commissioner D. Shillo
Seconded by: Commissioner H. Parker
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

RESOLUTION 2016-96

WHEREAS the Ferry District requires additional full-time Deckhands (FIFD) during the peak season between May 18, 2016, and September 18, 2016; and

WHEREAS Nathan White is a part-time Deckhand (FIFD);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Nathan White be appointed seasonal full-time Deckhand (FIFD), effective May 18, 2016, and his wages shall increase from \$10.99 per hour to \$11.56 per hour. On September 18, 2016, Mr. White will change status to part-time Deckhand (FIFD).

Moved by: Commissioner D. Shillo
Seconded by: Commissioner H. Parker
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

RESOLUTION 2016-97

WHEREAS the Ferry District requires additional full-time Pursers (FIFD) during the peak season between May 18, 2016, and September 18, 2016; and

WHEREAS John S. Gural is a part-time Purser (FIFD);

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Mr. Gural be appointed seasonal full-time Purser (FIFD), effective May 18, 2016. On September 18, 2016, Mr. Gural will change his status to part-time Purser (FIFD).

Moved by: Chairman A. Ahrens
Seconded by: Commissioner H. Parker
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

RESOLUTION 2016-98

WHEREAS the Ferry District requires additional full-time Cashiers (FIFD) during the peak season between May 18, 2016, and September 18, 2016; and

WHEREAS Darcy Scroxton is a part-time Cashier (FIFD);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Ms. Scroxton be appointed seasonal full-time Cashier (FIFD), with a wage increase from \$10.99 to \$11.99 per hour, effective May 18, 2016. On September 18, 2016, Ms. Scroxton will change status to part-time Cashier (FIFD).

Moved by: Commissioner H. Parker
Seconded by: Commissioner D. Shillo
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

RESOLUTION 2016-99

WHEREAS the Ferry District requires additional full-time Clerks during the peak season between May 18, 2016, and September 18, 2016; and

WHEREAS Jessica Grote is a part-time Clerk;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Ms. Grote be appointed seasonal full-time Clerk with a wage increase from \$10.99 to \$11.56 per hour, effective May 18, 2016. On September 18, 2016, Ms. Grote will change status to part-time Clerk.

Moved by: Chairman A. Ahrens
Seconded by: Commissioner H. Parker
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo
Nays: None

RESOLUTION 2016-100

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WHEREAS Leo Pelletier has resigned from his position as part-time Deckhand (FIFD) with the Fishers Island Ferry District effective May 2, 2016;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners accepts his resignation and wishes him well in his future pursuits.

Moved by: Commissioner H. Parker

Seconded by: Commissioner D. Shillo

Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe, H. Parker, D. Shillo

Nays: None

Health Insurance Comparisons

The Board reviewed a side-by-side comparison of various health care plans, as prepared by G. Murphy and D. Hansen. The Board directed management to discuss with union employees and prepare a recommendation for the May 23, 2016, meeting.

Adjournment

There being no other business to discuss, Chairman Ahrens reminded those present that the next meeting would be on Monday, May 23, 2016, at 4:30 pm, at the Community Center.

At 6:50 pm, Commissioner H. Parker moved to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner W. Bloethe seconded, and in a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.