

FISHERS ISLAND FERRY DISTRICT
July 5, 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 July 5, 2016 at 4:31 PM by Chairman Ahrens at the Fishers Island Community Center.

Commissioners Andrew Ahrens, William Bloethe, Harry Parker, Peter Rugg, and Dianna Shillo were present. Diane Hansen, RJ Burns, Gordon Murphy, and Elizabeth Burnham also attended, as did several members of the public.

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

Public Comment

The Board had no correspondence to review, and no members of the public then present to address the Board.

Minutes

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

RESOLUTION 2016-139

RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby approves the minutes of the June 6, 2016, meeting as amended.

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

RESOLUTION 2016-140

RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby approves the minutes of the June 13, 2016, meeting as proposed.

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

RESOLUTION 2016-141

RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby approves the minutes of the June 20, 2016, meeting as proposed.

Moved by: Commissioner W. Bloethe
Seconded by: Commissioner D. Shillo

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

Nays: None

Warrant

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

RESOLUTION 2016-142

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby approves the Warrant dated July 5, 2016, in the amount of \$32,123.91

Moved by: Commissioner P. Rugg

Seconded by: Commissioner H. Parker

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

Nays: None

Commissioner Resignation

RESOLUTION 2016-143

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners regrettfully accepts the resignation of Commissioner Harry Parker, as of July 31, 2016, and thanks him for service to the Ferry District as a commissioner.

Moved by: Chairman A. Ahrens

Seconded by: Commissioner W. Bloethe

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

Nays: None

Abstain: H. Parker, P. Rugg

Property Committee

The Board discussed the freight building tenancy of Harold's, LLC, and its successor, Paul's Home Improvement. Paul's will be discussing the terms of its lease with the Property Committee.

Commissioner Parker requested that the Committee review the utilization of and potential subdivision of the second floor of the freight building, as well as creating secondary access to the second floor.

Election Report

The Board discussed the election on August 9, 2016. Two seats will be available, one for a 3-year term and one for a 5-year term. Some individuals have talked to or met with Board members, but the Board hopes it can find more candidates to stand for election. The Board discussed creating, but did not appoint an ad hoc nominating committee. Petitions for candidates, including for sitting commissioners whose terms have expired, are due July 21, 2016.

G. Murphy has also identified two elections inspectors, and hopes to find two more.

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Policy Recommendations

In response to the 2014 audit, the Board discussed two issues which require standardized policy and their expectation that additional policies will be presented at the next several meetings. The first issue concerned whether it was appropriate to provide complimentary passage and parking to Ferry District contractors, or whether they should instead be charged and reimbursed at cost. The second issue concerned the review and approval of vacation requests from District managers. After gaining the sense of the Board, management will draft said policies for approval at the July 20, 2016 meeting.

Management Reports

RJ Burns reported that the District had secured a \$12,500 grant and that would be applied replacing lights with LED bulbs. Jon and he were at work on and RFQ to replace the NL ramp cables. The FD has the cables, but replacing them will require the use of a crane. The NL terminal is all set for Sailfest and has a very good relationship with the NLPD. The TSA rides have been deferred until after Sailfest. Mr. Burns noted that the advancement ladders would be presented in the latter half of the 4th quarter.

It was also discussed to that communication with all customers was something that needed constant work. Polly Ford recommended that we develop a ferry boat “etiquette” handout. All agreed that this was a good idea.

Health Insurance Update

The Board asked those staff members present how implementation of the new plan had gone. Polly Ford reported that she was very satisfied with the responsiveness of both the primary point of contact for the District and a secondary point of contact.

Executive Session

At 5:45 pm, the following resolution was proposed:

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

Moved by: Commissioner

Seconded by: Commissioner

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

Nays: None

That business being concluded, at 6:20 pm, the following resolution was proposed:

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

Moved by: Commissioner P. Rugg

Seconded by: Commissioner H. Parker

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

Nays: None

Human Resources

The following resolutions were proposed and accepted:

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RESOLVED, that management, with all possible haste, compose a letter stating the terms of reinstatement for employee No. 76848, and after review by counsel, set a meeting to deliver such letter (with CSEA representation if requested by the employee) to employee No. 76848 on behalf of the Board of Commissioners.

Moved by: Commissioner P. Rugg

Seconded by: Commissioner W. Bloethe

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

Nays: None

RESOLUTION 2016-

RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners appoints S. Malinowski and M. Strunk to be Election Inspectors for the August 9th election at a rate of \$10.99 per hour.

Moved by: Commissioner H. Parker

Seconded by: Commissioner P. Rugg

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

Nays: None

Adjournment

There being no other business to discuss, Chairman Ahrens reminded those present that the next regular meeting would be on Monday, July 18, 2016, at 4:30 pm, at the Community Center.

At 6:30 pm, Commissioner Rugg moved to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Parker seconded, and in a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.