

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Fishers Island Ferry District
August 21, 2020

Chairman Ahrens called a teleconference meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District (“the Ferry District”) to order on August 21, 2020 at 4:30 PM.

Commissioners Heather Burnham, Jim Reid and Dianna Shillo were present. Also in attendance were Geb Cook, Gordon Murphy, Deanna Ross and Bob Coleman. Commissioner Bloethe was absent. There were no members of the public present.

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

Correspondence/Public Comment - Mr. Murphy reported that no correspondence was received. There was no public comment.

Budget Modification

RESOLUTION 2020 – 126

RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby amends the **2020** Fishers Island Ferry District budget as follows:

Decrease Appropriations		
SM5710.4.000.300	Fuel Oil, Vessels	\$13,600
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		\$13,600
Increase Appropriations		
SM1910.4.000.100	Ferry Insurance	\$13,100
SM1910.4.000.200	Airport Insurance	\$500
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		\$13,600

Moved by: Commissioner Shillo
Seconded by: Commissioner Reid
Ayes: A. Ahrens, H. Burnham, J. Reid and D. Shillo
Nays: None

Warrant

RESOLUTION 2020 – 127

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby approves the Warrant dated August 17, 2020, in the amount of \$82,000.55.

Moved by: Commissioner Shillo

Seconded by: Commissioner Ahrens

Ayes: A. Ahrens, H. Burnham, J. Reid and D. Shillo

Nays: None

Unemployment Insurance - Mr. Cook reported that the Ferry District received notification that New York State can cover up to 50% of unemployment insurance. Currently the insurance is \$20,000 and the Ferry District should get back \$10,000.

Airport Update - Mr. Cook reported that he received confirmation from the FAA regarding approval to cover 100% of the repaving of the Airport road totaling \$352,000. Mr. Murphy reported that there is an electrical controller issue causing the airport lights to come on during the day and stay on throughout the day. Electricians that installed the electrical vault are scheduled to come out later in the week to correct the problem. Mr. Murphy reported that new airport signage has been put up.

Marine Update - Mr. Cook updated the BOC. Bids for the Race Point yard package were received on Wednesday and opened by Commissioners Ahrens and Reid. Bids were received from Fairhaven, Goodison and Thames Shipyards. Bids for installation of two main engines, two generators, new wiring and new propellers and shafts were \$742,000, \$499,000 and \$577,000 respectively. The budget from the VW Grant is roughly \$800,000. Bids for the yard package were \$207,000, \$163,000 and \$133,000 respectively. When considering best value, management is considering Thames Shipyard as they are local and had the best package overall. The BOC will pass a resolution at the beginning of next week. Mr. Cook reported that the fogger will be arriving next week to sanitize the boats.

2021 Budget Hearing

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby opens a public hearing on the 2021 draft budget at 5:00 PM.

Moved by: Commissioner H. Burnham

Seconded by: Commissioner A. Ahrens

Ayes: A. Ahrens, H. Burnham, J. Reid and D. Shillo

Nays: None

Mr. Cook presented the draft 2021 Operating Budget. There was no public comment.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby closes the public hearing on the 2021 budget and re-enters general session at 5:53 PM.

Moved by: Commissioner A. Ahrens

Seconded by: Commissioner J. Reid

Ayes: A. Ahrens, H. Burnham, J. Reid and D. Shillo

Nays: None

Next BOC Meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 31, 2020 at 4:30 PM via Tele/Videoconference.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, and on motion made by Commissioner H. Burnham, seconded by Commissioner J. Reid, the meeting was adjourned at 5:58 pm.