

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Fishers Island Ferry District
October 16, 2023

Chair Ahrens called a meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District (the "Ferry District") to order on October 16, 2023 at 11:00 AM at the Fishers Island Ferry Office and via Zoom.

Commissioners Heather Burnham, Tom Cashel and Jim Reid were present. Also in attendance were Dave McCall and Deanna Ross. Commissioner Dianna Shillo was absent. There were no members of the public present.

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

Correspondence/Public Comment - Mr. McCall reported he received correspondence from Ms. Christene Rogan requesting consideration of fare abatement for Mr. Joe Rogan for medical reasons and for visiting his wife. The BOC agrees to the medical fare abatement only. The BOC agrees that visitation trips would set a precedent and they would encourage Christene to reach out to charity groups on Island if further financial assistance is needed for the visitation trips. Mr. McCall will reach out to Christene. In addition, a letter of correspondence was received from FI Waste Management District to explore opportunities to share resources for snow plowing and heavy equipment operation, as well as, tax district transportation relief of their off island employees. Discussion ensued. The BOC expressed their willingness in combining opportunities to save one another money; however, they don't feel they can set the precedent of giving relief to off island employees commuting rates for another tax district. There was no public comment.

Warrant

RESOLUTION 2023 –153

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby approves the Warrant dated October 16, 2023, in the amount of \$596,109.82

Moved by: Commissioner Ahrens
Seconded by: Commissioner Reid
Ayes: Ahrens, Burnham, Cashel and Reid

PVA Congressional Fly-In

RESOLUTION 2023 – 154

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby grants permission to District Manager Geb Cook, Marine and Island Manager David McCall to attend the PVA Congressional Fly - In November 12 – 14, 2023 in Washington D.C. All expenses for registration and travel, including meals, not to exceed \$3,000.00, will be a legal charge to the 2023 District budget.

Moved by: Commissioner Burnham

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Seconded by: Commissioner Reid
Ayes: Ahrens, Burnham, Cashel and Reid
Nays: None

Settlement

Resolution 2023-155

IT is resolved to rescind Resolution 2023-150

Moved by: Commissioner Ahrens
Seconded by: Commissioner Burnham
Ayes: Ahrens, Burnham, Cashel and Reid
Nays: None

Settlement

RESOLUTION 2023-150

WHEREAS the District was presented with a claim by John Doucette for the sum of \$1,000- as reimbursement damage to his vehicle which resulted from the error of District Staff; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District has determined that it is in the best interest of the District to resolve this claim to avoid the expense and uncertainties of litigation; and

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District approves the settlement of this claim, and directs management to make payment of the settlement amount of \$1,000.00 subject to the approval of District Counsel and the Southold Town Attorney.

*Moved by: Commissioner Ahrens
Seconded by: Commissioner Shillo
Ayes: Ayes: Ahrens, Burnham, Reid , Cashel and Shillo
Nays: None*

Settlement

RESOLUTION 2023-156

WHEREAS the District was presented with a claim by Deborah Doucette for the sum of \$1,000- as reimbursement damage to his vehicle which resulted from the error of District Staff; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District has determined that it is in the best interest of the District to resolve this claim to avoid the expense and uncertainties of litigation; and

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RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District approves the settlement of this claim, and directs management to make payment of the settlement amount of \$1,000.00 subject to the approval of District Counsel and the Southold Town Attorney.

Moved by: Commissioner Cashel
Seconded by: Commissioner Reid
Ayes: Ahrens, Burnham, Cashel and Reid
Nays: None

Settlement

RESOLUTION 2023-157

IT is resolved to rescind Resolution 2023-151

Moved by: Commissioner Cashel
Seconded by: Commissioner Burnham
Ayes: Ahrens, Burnham, Cashel and Reid
Nays: None

Cynthia Collins Settlement

RESOLUTION 2023-151

WHEREAS, the District was presented with a claim by Cynthia Collins for the sum of \$49.45 as reimbursement for a lost parcel;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District has determined that it is in the best interests of the District to resolve this claim to avoid the expense and uncertainties of litigation; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District approves the settlement of this claim, and directs management to make payment of the settlement amount of \$49.95 subject to the approval of District Counsel and the Southold Town Attorney.

*Moved by: Commissioner Reid
Seconded by: Commissioner Shillo
Ayes: Ahrens, Burnham, Cashel, Reid and Shillo
Nays: None*

Cynthia Collins Settlement

RESOLUTION 2023-158

WHEREAS, the District was presented with a claim by Cynthia Collins for the sum of \$50.51 as reimbursement for a lost parcel;

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WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District has determined that it is in the best interests of the District to resolve this claim to avoid the expense and uncertainties of litigation; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District approves the settlement of this claim, and directs management to make payment of the settlement amount of \$50.51 subject to the approval of District Counsel and the Southold Town Attorney.

Moved by: Commissioner Reid
Seconded by: Commissioner Burnham
Ayes: Ahrens, Burnham, Cashel and Reid
Nays: None

Budget Modification

Resolution 2023-159

IT is resolved to rescind Resolution 2023-147

Moved by: Commissioner Burnham
Seconded by: Commissioner Reid
Ayes: Ahrens, Cashel and Reid
Nays: None

RESOLUTION 2023-147

10.02.2023

RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District Hereby amends the **2023** Fishers Island Ferry District budget as follows:

Increase Appropriations:

SM1910.4.000.300	Workers Comp Insurance	\$ 6,000.00
SM1980.4.000.000	MTA Tax	\$ 1,700.00
SM9060.8.000.000	Medical Insurance	\$ 50,000.00
SM5710.4.000.900	Bank & CC Fees	\$ 25,000.00
SM5710.4.000.100	Utilities-NL	\$ 10,000.00
		\$
Total		\$ 92,700.00

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Decrease Appropriations:

SM5610.2.000.000	Airport Cap Ex	\$	22,700.00
SM1420.4.000.000	Legal Fees		\$ 15,000.00
SM9010.8.000.000	NY Retirement	\$	55,000.00
			\$
Total		\$	92,700.00

Moved by: Commissioner Burnham
Seconded by: Commissioner Ahrens
Ayes: Ahrens, Burnham, Cashel and Shillo
Nays: None

Budget Modification

RESOLUTION 2023-160

10.16.2023

RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District Hereby amends the **2023** Fishers Island Ferry District budget as follows:

Increase Appropriations:

SM1910.4.000.300	Workers Comp Insurance	\$	5,700.00
SM5709.2.000.200	Repairs: Docks & Terminals	\$	400,000.00
SM9060.8.000.000	Medical Insurance	\$	50,000.00
SM5710.4.000.900	Bank & CC Fees	\$	20,000.00
SM5710.4.000.100	Utilities-NL	\$	10,000.00
SM5710.4.400.100	Marine Engineering	\$	1,000.00
Total		\$	486,700.00

Decrease Appropriations:

SM5610.2.000.000	Airport Cap Ex	\$	464,000.00
SM1420.4.000.000	Legal Fees	\$	15,000.00
SM5710.4.000.350	Fuel: Silver Eel	\$	3,500.00
SM5710.2.000.300	Repairs: Silver Eel	\$	4,200.00
Total		\$	486,700.00

Moved by: Commissioner Ahrens
Seconded by: Commissioner Cashel
Ayes: Ahrens, Cashel and Reid

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Nays: None

Executive Session - No executive session needed at this time.

Next BOC Meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 30, 2023, at 4:00 PM, at the Island Community Center and via Zoom.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, and on motion made by Commissioner H. Burnham, seconded by Commissioner T. Cashel, the meeting was adjourned at 11:37 am.