

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Fishers Island Ferry District
February 05, 2024

Chair Reid called a meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District (the "Ferry District") to order on February 05, 2024 at 4:00 PM at the Island Community Center and via Zoom.

Commissioners Ace Ahrens, Heather Burnham, Tom Cashel and Jim Reid were present. Also in attendance were Dave McCall, Carol Murphy and Deanna Ross. Commissioner Dianna Shillo and Jon Haney were absent. Members of the public included Mr. Gordon Murphy.

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

Correspondence/Public Comment - Mr. McCall reported that he received a Thank You Letter from Mrs. Ellen Parker which was shared with the BOC. Correspondence was received from Ms. Eliza Schmidt requesting expedited her ferry resident card. Discussion ensued. The BOC agrees to a start date of April 1, 2024. Mr. McCall will respond to Ms. Schmidt. Mr. Gordon Murphy asked management and the BOC where they stood on the airport burn. Mr. McCall reported that the permit was received and sent on to the Fishers Island Fire Department and the Conservancy and they are waiting on more favorable conditions. Mr. Murphy reported that he spoke with Mr. Donnie Beck and apparently last year, the area down by the Race couldn't be burned due to lack of starter. Mr. Beck had recommended moving pallets there and Mr. Murphy is willing to volunteer to bring pallets to the area. Mr. McCall stated that there are plenty of pallets at the bunker. Mr. McCall will follow up with the Fire Department. Mr. Murphy also wondered if applicants for resident cards should be done as a public hearing. The BOC feels this could lead to a lot of finger pointing and unnecessary comments.

Minutes

Resolution 2024-021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby approves the following minutes: October 30, 2023, November 16, 2023, November 30, 2023, December 11, 2023 and December 22, 2023

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

Warrant

RESOLUTION 2024 -022

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby approves the Warrant dated February 5, 2024, in the amount of \$268,090.06.

Moved by: Commissioner Cashel
Seconded by: Commissioner Ahrens

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Ayes: Ahrens, Cashel, and Reid

BUDGET MODIFICATION

RESOLUTION 2024-023

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:

SM5710.1.000.000	Payroll: Wages & Salaries	\$ 66,346.00
SM1980.4.000.000	Payroll: MTA Tax	\$ 1,362.00
SM9030.8.000.000	Payroll: Social Security Tax	<u>\$ 4,854.00</u>
	Total	\$ 72,562.00

Decrease Appropriations:

SM5709.2.000.200	Repairs: Docks & Terminals	<u>\$ 72,562.00</u>
	Total	\$ 72,562.00

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

Contract Award – 357 Whistler

RESOLUTION 2024-024

WHEREAS certain public buildings require maintenance; and

Whereas a Request for Proposals for “Painting” was issued and advertised in a widely circulated publication; and

Whereas management solicited additional contractors and received one back,

Whereas management recommends the acceptance of the Skyline Custom Carpentry, Inc proposal.

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Therefore it is RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District accepts the proposal from Skyline Custom Carpentry for the painting of 357 Whistler Ave for \$54,150-. This includes all interior surfaces including basement and porch. Additionally, exterior trim on new windows and doors.

It is further RESOLVED to authorize management to execute all contracts and ancillary documents and pay all reviewed invoices, subject to review by counsel.

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

Legal – Change Order 357 Whistler Renovation

RESOLUTION 2024 - 025

WHEREAS, costs from Skyline Custom Carpentry, Inc for renovations to the #357 Whistler House was previously approved for \$147,000; and

WHEREAS, Skyline Custom Carpentry, Inc has presented to management change order #1 for additional work related to the basement bathroom and basement plumbing modifications not included in the original bid; and

THEREFORE that the Board of Commissioners approves a contingency amount of \$15,000, to be added to the original September 12, 2023 proposal of \$147,000 for a new total contract price not to exceed \$162,000.

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

HR RESOLUTION RESCIND 2024-026

RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District [hereby rescinds HR Merit Increases 2024-017 \(dated 1.26.2024\)](#) as follows:

Merit Increases

HR RESOLUTION 2024-017

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Whereas the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District would like to recognize the exemplary efforts of all current employees for work performed during 2023, let it hereby be **RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners approves merit pay increases, effective February 8, 2024 as follows:

Employee #	Position	Proposed ST Rate 02.08.24
14694	PT Laborer	16.97
15142	PT Deckhand	17.53
15814	PT Deckhand	18.83
16466	PT Deckhand	19.37
31600	PT Laborer	16.97
32701	Sr Deckhand	24.04
34011	PT Deckhand	17.76
34899	Captain	34.25
37591	PT Deckhand	18.30
37626	Mechanic (Mtce)	29.91
37993	PT Captain	24.99
37993	PT Deckhand	18.76
38054	PT Deckhand	16.55
38115	Sr Captain	38.39
39096	Sr Ticket Agent	29.22
39179	PT Engineer	36.13
39812	PT Deckhand	16.14
40949	Jr Captain	25.83
40949	PT Deckhand	23.14
40967	Mechanic	31.21
41786	Jr Captain	23.68
44205	Deckhand	18.30

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45463	PT Ticket Agent	17.22
45577	PT Deckhand	21.39
45577	PT Captain	25.63
C 45805	PT Ticket Agent	17.22
46717	PT Laborer	17.22
47961	Sr Ticket Agent	28.52
48246	PT Deckhand	18.30
54262	PT Deckhand	18.30
57642	Sr Captain	39.55
57702	Sr Freight Agent	24.82
58676	Sr Captain	39.28
60400	PT Deckhand	18.30
62812	PT Captain	34.76
64244	PT Deckhand	18.30
65844	PT Deckhand	17.76
66110	Sr Mechanic	45.23
79935	PT Deckhand	18.30
80263	PT Deckhand	16.79
82012	PT Laborer	17.53
82965	FT Ticket Agent	19.37
83357	Freight Agent	24.75
83359	PT Laborer	18.30
83450	PT Deckhand	16.14

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

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Nays: None

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

HR RESOLUTION REPLACE

HR RESOLUTION 2024-027

Whereas, Resolution 2024-017 has been rescinded, the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry therefore approves the HR Resolution Merit Increases below, in effect 01.08.2024,

Merit Increases

Whereas the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District would like to recognize the exemplary efforts of all current employees for work performed during 2023, let it hereby be RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners approves merit pay increases, effective February 8, 2024 as follows:

Employee #	Position	Proposed ST Rate 02.08.24
14694	PT Laborer	16.97
15142	PT Deckhand	17.54
15814	PT Deckhand	18.84
16466	PT Deckhand	19.37
31600	PT Laborer	16.97
32701	Sr Deckhand	24.05
34011	PT Deckhand	17.76
34899	Captain	34.25
37591	PT Deckhand	18.30
37626	Maintenance Mechanic II	29.90
37993	PT Captain	24.99

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37993	PT Deckhand	18.75
38054	PT Deckhand	16.55
38115	Sr Captain	38.39
39096	Sr Freight Agent	29.22
39179	Marine Mechanic	36.12
39812	PT Deckhand	16.15
40949	Jr Captain	25.83
40949	PT Deckhand	23.14
40967	Marine Mechanic	31.22
41786	Jr Captain	23.68
44205	Deckhand	18.30
45463	PR Deckhand	17.22
45577	PT Deckhand	21.39
45577	PT Captain	25.63
45805	Cashier	17.22
46717	PT Laborer	17.22
47961	Freight Agent	28.52
48246	PT Deckhand	18.30
54262	PT Deckhand	18.30
57642	Sr Captain	39.51
57702	Sr Freight Agent	24.82
58676	Sr Captain	39.28
60400	PT Deckhand	18.30
62812	PT Captain	34.77
64244	PT Deckhand	18.30
65844	PT Deckhand	17.76
66110	Sr Mechanic	45.22
79935	PT Deckhand	18.30
80263	PT Deckhand	16.79
82012	PT Laborer	17.54

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82965	FT Cashier	19.37
83357	Freight Agent	24.76
83359	PT Laborer	18.30
83450	PT Deckhand	16.15

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

HR RESOLUTION RESCIND 2024-028

RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District [hereby rescinds HR Resolution 2024-018 \(dated 1.26.2024\)](#) as follows:

**HR
RESOLUTION 2024-018**

Whereas Employee 14021 has the requisite managerial skills and has assumed increased Human Resources (HR) responsibilities, it is recommended Employee 14021 move from an hourly to a salaried employee, at the rate of \$60,000 per year:

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Commissions of the Fishers Island Ferry District approves Employee 14021 as a salaried employee, at the rate of \$60,000 per year.

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

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

HR RESOLUTION 2024-029

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Whereas, Resolution 2024-018 has been rescinded, the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry therefore approves the HR Resolution below, in effect 01.08.2024,

REPLACE

HR

RESOLUTION 2024-018

Whereas Employee 14021 has the requisite managerial skills and has assumed increased Human Resources (HR) responsibilities, it is recommended Employee 14021 move from an hourly to a salaried employee, at the rate of \$60,000 per year:

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Commissions of the Fishers Island Ferry District approves Employee 14021 as a salaried employee, at the rate of \$60,000 per year, with an effective date of Feb 8, 2024.

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

Management Reports - Mr. Cook reported that there are no management reports at this time.

Marine Update - Mr. Cook updated the BOC. Race Point has been running well. Munnatawket's yard package is moving well and the boat should return in a few weeks. Mr. Cook reported that he is moving forward with internet access on the boats.

Other - Commissioner Ahrens reported that the FI Fire Department met with the Emergency Operation Center (EOC) last week and there were questions about protocols with the Ferry in the event of an emergency at Millstone, etc. Commissioner Ahrens reported that a drill will be taking place in May and June regarding Hostile Action. Discussion ensued. Mr. Cook responded that he has all the contact information for the EOC.

Mr. Cook reported that the first meeting with the union regarding the new contract will be February 20, 2024.

Executive Session - No Executive Session needed at this time.

Next BOC Meeting is a special meeting scheduled for Monday, February 19, 2024 at 4:00 PM, at the Island Community Center and via Zoom.

Adjournment

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There being no further business to discuss, and on motion made by Commissioner A. Ahrens, seconded by Commissioner T. Cashel, the meeting was adjourned at 4:38 PM.