Chair Reid called a meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District (the "Ferry District") to order on April 15, 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 Geb Cook, Dave McCall And Jon Haney. Commissioner Dianna Shillo and Secretary Dee Ross were absent. There were no members of the public present.

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 letter from Kirk Razza requesting a resident card. Discussion ensued. The BOC agrees. Mr. Cook received correspondence from the CSEA regarding lead paint. Mr. Cook reported that all lead paint has been removed so he is unsure as to what the CSEA is referring to.

February/March Traffic - Mr. Haney reported that both months had upward trends.

Marine Update - Mr. Haney updated the BOC. Race Point is running well. Sea Safety was out to look at the lay out of the CO2 System for the boats. Mr. Haney will need to know from the BOC as soon as possible regarding the decision for new seating for Race Point so materials can be ordered. He has asked the BOC for feedback so a decision can be made. Regarding Munnatawket, Mr. Haney has been in touch with the naval architect MSC, local inspectors and the shipyard. Mr. Haney plans on having the boat to the shipyard this Thursday to undergo modifications needed due to the weight change from the new engines and new generators. The boat is expected to be there for 1 1/2 weeks. Sea Safety will be able to install the new Co2 System while Munnatawket is at the shipyard. Silver Eel had its bottom painted. The boat will go into the water this Wednesday for a quick sea trial. There are currently two interested parties to buy the boat. Discussion ensued regarding new seating and possible configuration options for the Race Point. Mr. Haney will provide the BOC with some better drawings.

**Financials -** Mr. Cook reviewed 1st quarter financials with the BOC. There has been an improvement in the 1st quarter over the last several years. Ferry repairs were down. Payroll has increased by 2-3%. Net income is 5

**Website Update** - Discussion ensued regarding the ferry website which is now run by Anchor. Changes that need to take place on the website have been slow. Management has agreed to have a discussion with Beth Jepson

**Airport Paving** - Mr. McCall reported that a pre construction meeting took place 3 weeks ago with B&W Paving and the consultant for the paving project. The plan is to start the paving project on April 22, 2024. The work is to be completed within 40 days. One runway will be closed while the paving is taking place.

**Other -** Discussion ensued regarding electric vehicles. The BOC has asked management to have Anchor add the question if one's vehicle is electric.

#### **Minutes**

## **RESOLUTION 2023-052**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby approves the following minutes: January 1, 22, 26 and February 5 and 19, 2024.

Moved by: Commissioner Ahrens Seconded by: Commissioner Reid

Ayes: Ahrens, Burnham, Cashel and Reid

Nays: None

#### Warrant

#### **RESOLUTION 2024 –053**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby approves the Warrant dated April 15, 2024, in the amount of \$102,148.62

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

Nays: None

## **Budget Modification**

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-054**

RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District Hereby amends the **2024** Fishers Island Ferry District budget as follows:

## **Increase Appropriations**:

SM1420.4.000.000 Legal Expense \$ 20,000.00

Total \$ 20,000.00

## **Decrease Appropriations**:

SM5710.4.000.350 Fuel: Silver Eel \$ 20,000.00

Total \$ 20,000.00

Moved by: Commissioner Ahrens Seconded by: Commissioner Reid

Ayes: Ahrens, Burnham, Cashel and Reid

Nays:

## **HR-RESIGNATION**

## **RESOLUTION 2024 - 055**

WHEREAS Employee #45805 has resigned from her position as Part-Time Cashier (FIFD) effective March 7, 2024; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners accepts the resignation of Employee #45805 with effect March 7, 2024.

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

Nays: None

## **HR - RESIGNATION**

## **RESOLUTION 2024 - 056**

WHEREAS Employee #60400 has resigned from his position as Part-Time Deck Hand (FIFD) effective February 24, 2024; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners accepts the resignation of Employee #60400 with effect February 24, 2024.

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

Nays: None

## HR

## **RESOLUTION 2024-057**

WHEREAS the Ferry District requires additional Deckhands (FIFD);

Therefore it is RESOLVED to appoint, with effect April 24, 2024, Jackson Hayes as a part-time Deckhand (FIFD) at a rate of \$17.00 per hour.

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

Nays: None

## HR

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-058**

WHEREAS the Ferry District requires additional Deckhands (FIFD);

Therefore it is RESOLVED to appoint, with effect April 24, 2024, Jeffrey Reynolds as a part-time Deckhand (FIFD) at a rate of \$17.00 per hour.

Moved by: Commissioner Cashel Seconded by: Commissioner Reid

Ayes: Ahrens, Burnham, Cashel and Shillo

Nays: None

## HR

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-059**

WHEREAS the Ferry District requires additional Deckhands (FIFD);

Therefore it is RESOLVED to appoint, with effect April 24, 2024, Thomas Regan as a part-time Deckhand (FIFD) at a rate of \$17.00 per hour.

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

Nays: None

**Other -** Maritime Partners is the consultant that Mr. Cook has engaged with to help with the RFP for the new ferry.

## **Executive Session**

At 17:05 it was RESOLVED, that the Commission move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Human Resources.

Moved by: Commissioner H. Burnham Seconded by: Commissioner A. Ahrens

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

Nays: None

At 17:14 it was RESOLVED that the Commission exit from Executive Session and resume Public Session.

Moved by: Commissioner H. Burnham Seconded by: Commissioner J. Reid

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

Nays: None

Next BOC Meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 29, 2024 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 D. Shillo, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM.