

TOWN OF FRENCHBORO

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Selectboard:
Eric Best
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Select Board Meeting
Minutes
May 20th, 2024
4:30pm

Meeting called to order at 4:31pm by Eric Best, seconded by Joe Lunt. **Motion Passed.**

- I. Planning Board Shore Land Zoning Informational Session- The session was held so that the public can review the proposed ordinance. Topics discussed, the current land ordinance is from 1991, once this ordinance is passed we will work on updating that one. Timeline of repairs after a storm was discussed. Clarifying what the planning board does vs the PEI & CEO. Motion made by Eric Best to end the Planning Board Informational session at 4:59, seconded by Joe Lunt. Motion Passed.
- II. Approval of minutes from 4/29/24. Joe Lunt motions to approve minutes as written, seconded by Eric Best. **Motion Passed.**
- III. Old Business
 - a. Grant Updates – FEMA has been in contact with the town. We estimated that around \$400,000 worth of damage from the storm. There will be a 2:00pm call on Wednesday to begin first steps. Community Resilience Grant, we should be hearing by the beginning of June if we received the grant. Costal Development Fund, letter of intent was approved and will be moving forward with the application. The library applied for a \$5,000 grant through the Stephen King Fund for heat pump installments.
 - b. Draft Annual Budget Discussion- Discussion on what would be a healthy number for the town to use of their surplus to help offset this years taxes. The board would like confirmation from Daniel Swain if \$60,000 would be a comfortable number of use of the surplus. Reserve accounts and what they are intended for and if we can lower any line items with the use of a reserve.
 - c. Town Meeting and Annual Report Initial Planning – The board will be receiving a copy of the draft no latter than the 29th of May for review.
 - d. Job Posting – The Municipal Administrator job needs to be posted. Posting should be on the MMA website, town website, local posting, and hopefully local newspaper.



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IV. New Business

- a. Appoint Advisory Committee Representative for the Frenchboro Fund. Motion by Eric Best to nominate Cody Lunt for the select board representation on the Frenchboro Fund Committee, seconded by Joe Lunt. **Motion Passed.**
- b. FFDC Lands Update and Next Steps – Nick Battista from the Island Institute will be working with Eric Best and Paul Saxby to help clear up the title / quitclaim deeds on these lots.
- c. Policy Discussion for Burning Town Land – The “burn pile” located next to the dump has been lit on fire many times over the past few years, but it has been brought to our attention that some items being burned should not be there. The board has appointed Paul Saxby to look into burn permitting process. This topic could also potentially be brought up at town meeting.
- d. Battery for the brush truck – The Chevy Brush truck is in need of a new battery.
- e. Restroom Contracts – Motion by Eric Best to put out the 2024 restroom contract with the additions of extending the contract to Columbus Day, seconded by Cody Lunt, **Motion Passed.**

V. Warrants – Joe Lunt motions to approve the warrants as written, seconded by Cody Lunt. **Motion Passed.**

VI. Mail – nothing to report.

VII. Set Next Meeting – May 30th

VIII. Eric Best motions to adjourn at 6:46pm, seconded by Joe Lunt. **Motion Passed.**

