

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 15, 2015**

Present were: Rosendel Gerry, Keryn Laite, Cathy Hardy, Ladleah Dunn and Arthur Durity.

1. Laneside Harbor Tour

The meeting was called to order at the Town Pier at 4:30PM by Chair Dunn. Harbor Master Hutchings gave a brief overview of harbor facilities and the wave screen project. Town Administrator Kinney reported that the orders for the third guest mooring and the speed buoy were placed on hold pending final costs of the changes to the wave screen.

2. Meeting with Islesboro Board of Selectmen to discuss Harbor concerns

The meeting was reconvened at the Town Office at 5:30PM by Chair Dunn. Introductions were made. Present in addition to the Lincolnville Board were:

Janet Anderson, Islesboro Town Manager
Archibald Gillies, Islesboro Selectman
Sandra Oliver, Islesboro Selectman
Hanna Kerr, Islesboro Selectman
Fred Rollins, Islesboro Selectman
Gabe Pendleton, Islesboro Selectman
Jay Zlotkowski, former Islesboro Selectman
Mike Hutchings, Harbor Master
David Kinney, Town Administrator

The Islesboro contingent provided a list of concerns raised over the last year. These included challenges in getting EMS stretchers up the ramp, especially at low tide and the in the winter; boats moored in the way of the ferry service, inner harbor congestion, especially at times with northerly winds; availability of dock space for visitors, need for better harbor protection, dredging opportunities and the condition of floats.

Arch Gillies suggested several times that the public safety of the ramps and the ability to move a stretcher safely up to the pier deck was of paramount concern.

Hardy asked if Islesboro would be willing to cost share towards any future ramp improvement.

Harbor Mater Hutchings explained that our ramps are constructed to accessible standards with a walking surface on one side and a grocery slide on the other. Hutchings went on to say that the side float is the easiest to use year round and in all weather conditions. The mooring field is limited due to low water at low tide and eel grass beds. Hutchings agrees to there is not enough room for all desired uses particularly at low water as the facility is used heavily. In his opinion dredging would not be successful long term due to the shifting sand bottom. Hutchings stated that his priorities for improvements would be the wave screen, the deck and then the floats. He suggested that the ramp and float would be good to package together for stability.

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Gillies suggested that an Islesboro sub-committee of Gabe, Janet and Jay represent Islesboro interests in a new ramp.

Kinney requested that Islesboro prepare a list of priorities so that it could be matched with the local needs of Lincolnville users.

Rollins suggested perhaps considering a folding grocery slide.

Hutchings stated that perhaps using a hoist for a lift could be an option. A discussion was held concerning liability of such a use.

Gerry inquired about options for transport to the mainland on EMS patients. Islesboro has a heliport, Penobscot Air can fly people from the airport, the Quicksilver and the ferry. Depending on the time of day and weather conditions all options have limitations. They try to match up transportation with the needs of the patient.

Dunn suggested having the Islesboro items reviewed by the Harbor Committee, EMS personnel and the Fire Chief.

Hardy suggested that perhaps the ramp changes or replacement could be grant funded.

Dunn provided a very brief recap of the harbor workshops conducted last summer.

Gerry warned that we needed to be concerned with the unintended consequences of change A negatively impacting B and vice versa.

Chari Dunn thanked all for coming and stated that we should look forward to working together in the future.

Motion by Gerry, second by Durity, to adjourn. **Vote: 5-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

David B. Kinney
Town Clerk

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