

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Commissioners  
Fishers Island Ferry District  
July 1, 2013

A Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District (the "Ferry District") was called to order on July 1, 2013 at 4:40 pm by Commissioner Edwards at the Fishers Island Community Center.

Present were Commissioners Burnham, Edwards and Rafferty. Also present were Manager Donald Lamb, Assistant Manager Gordon Murphy, Jane Ahrens and five members of the public.

Mr. Lamb asked Commissioner Edwards to chair the meeting. Commissioner Edwards opened the meeting and declared a quorum present. Everyone in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag.

**Public Comment:**

Mr. DuPont asked if there were any plans to shut off access to Race Point. There is no plan to limit access to Race Point.

Mr. Burr asked if there were any regulations or time limits to planes and helicopters idling as they wait for passengers at pick up and drop off. Mr. Lamb will check the FAA regulations and take appropriate action.

**Correspondence:**

A letter was received June 17, 2013 requesting a review of ferry rates for *Smart Car for Two* as they are the same length as golf carts. The ferry vehicle rates are for registered vehicles and only categorized as commercial or non-commercial with size based on 18' or greater in the Peak Season so this would not apply to smaller cars.

**Review of Meetings and Minutes:**

Minutes of the meeting held on June 17, 2013 were approved with three edits requested by Commissioner Rafferty.

MOVED by: Commissioner Edwards

SECONDED by: Commissioner Burnham

AYES: All

NAYES: None

**Warrants:**

A list of outstanding obligations of the Ferry District was received and discussed. All invoices were declared to abide by Procurement Policy. At the conclusion of the discussion, a resolution was made to pay the outstanding obligation totaling \$248,444.38

MOVED by: Commissioner Rafferty

SECONDED by: Commissioner Burnham

AYES: All

NAYES: None

**Manager's Report**

**1. North Ramp**

Mr. Lamb reported the project is complete with a few items left for sign off.

## **2. Human Resources:**

Mr. Lamb reported that the Fishers Island Ferry District had one additional seasonal deckhand appointment and that Heather Stone had qualified to captain the MU.

At the July 1, 2013 meeting of the Fishers Island Ferry District Board of Commissioners, the following resolutions were brought by the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Heather Stone is appointed as a part-time captain as of June 25, 2013 with a pay rate of \$20.00 per hour. Ms. Stone retains her part-time deckhand duties (seasonally adjusted) in addition to this new responsibility.

MOVED by Commissioner Rafferty  
SECONDED by Commissioner Burnham  
Ayes: All  
Nays: None

WHEREAS, the Fishers Island Ferry District requires the services of seasonal Deckhands and Laborers; and

WHEREAS, the seasonal Clerks, Deckhands and Laborers will be employed by the Fishers Island Ferry District for the period May 15, 2013 through September 15, 2013.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Grant Pezzolesi be appointed as seasonal Deckhand at the rate of \$10.30 per hour for the period June 15, 2013 through September 15, 2013.

MOVED by Commissioner Rafferty  
SECONDED by Commissioner Burnham  
Ayes: all  
Nays: none

### **Other:**

#### **1. Board of Commissioners Election Procedures**

Mr. Lamb read the Commissioners' Election Announcement:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, as prescribed by Chapter 699 of the Laws of New York, 1947, as amended, that the Annual Meeting for the election of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District will be held on Tuesday, the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of August 2013 at the Fishers Island Fire House, Fishers Island, New York at 2:00 p.m. for the purpose of election of three Commissioners as follows:

ONE COMMISSIONER TO SUCCEED David C. Burnham, II FOR A TERM OF FIVE (5) YEARS. (Note: The incumbent is eligible to succeed himself/herself.)

ONE COMMISSIONER TO SUCCEED Robert Wall FOR A REMAINING TERM OF FOUR (4) YEARS. (Note: The incumbent is eligible to succeed himself/herself.)

ONE COMMISSIONER TO SUCCEED Peter Rugg FOR A REMAINING TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS. (Note: The incumbent is eligible to succeed himself/herself.)

The polls will remain open between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Electors of the District qualified to vote for Town Officers of the Town of Southold at the preceding Town Election AND certain owners of the real property situated within the Fishers Island Ferry District assessed upon the last preceding town assessment roll shall be eligible to vote. Further information on voting qualifications is available at the Fishers Island Ferry District business office.

Date of Notice:  
July 3, 2013

Board of Commissioners  
Fishers Island Ferry District

By: David C. Burnham, II  
Christopher I. Edwards  
Peter Rugg  
Christopher L. Rafferty

NOMINATING PETITIONS FOR PLACING THE NAME OF A CANDIDATE ON THE BALLOT FOR COMMISSIONER OF THE FISHERS ISLAND FERRY DISTRICT MAY BE OBTAINED AT THE BUSINESS OFFICE OF THE FISHERS ISLAND FERRY DISTRICT. FISHERS ISLAND, NY AS OF 8:30 A.M., WEDNESDAY, JULY 3, 2013. SAID PETITIONS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE BUSINESS OFFICE OF THE FISHERS ISLAND FERRY DISTRICT, FISHERS ISLAND, NEW YORK ON OR BEFORE 12:00 NOON, FRIDAY, JULY 19, 2013.

PETITIONS MUST STATE THE CANDIDATE IS A RESIDENT WHO IS QUALIFIED TO VOTE FOR TOWN OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHOLD, NEW YORK AND OWNS REAL PROPERTY SITUATED WITHIN THE FISHERS ISLAND FERRY DISTRICT ASSESSED UPON THE LAST PRECEDING TOWN ASSESSMENT ROLL, PETITIONS MUST ALSO STATE THE ADDRESS OF THE REAL PROPERTY AND BE NOTARIZED.

It was noted that:

- Commissioner candidates running for office will select the term they will be running for – three, four or five year terms. There is no resolution required for this.
- Eligible voters' guidelines will remain the same. One vote per household/ property.
- A resolution will be passed at the July 15 meeting regarding affirmation of property ownership vs. legal documentation requirement.
- Absentee voting will remain the same.

## **2. Unpaid Voyages**

Mr. Lamb asked about free passage in two circumstances.

- Ferry District Crew vs. HHC softball game July 17 – Ferry Crew members have been asked to sign up to work the extra ferry run or to play in the game.
- Town of Southold Town Fathers' Visit August 7 – they have not been charged the passenger fee in the past. A discussion followed on whether this should continue as a preexisting policy.

## **3. Budget Appropriations**

Mr. Murphy noted that there was a need to change the 2013 budget appropriations and proposed several changes. After a brief discussion the following was moved:

RESOLVED that the Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby amend the 2013 Fishers Island Ferry District budget as follows:

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Decrease Appropriations

SM.5710.4.000.975	Waste Management	\$8,000
SM.1310.4.000.000	Accounting/Finance	10,000
SM.5709.2.000.100	Repairs, Rental Buildings	6,000
SM.5710.4.000.600	Janitorial Supplies	2,500
SM.5710.4.000.925	Waste Management	1,500
SM.5710.4.000.950	Training/Education	<u>6,000</u>
	Total	\$ 34,500

Decrease Revenues

SM.5990.00	Appropriated Fund Balance	<u>\$ 17,800</u>
	Total	\$ 17,800

Increase Appropriations

SM.5710.2.000.200	Repairs, Race Point	<u>\$52,300</u>
	Total	\$52,300

MOVED by Commissioner Rafferty  
SECONDED by Commissioner Burnham  
Ayes: All  
Nays: None

**Old Business:**

**Freight:**

The Ferry District solicited feedback from business owners regarding freight rate changes expected in the fall.

Mr. Lamb continues to meet with UPS regarding the track pad and the \$26,000 will be included in the 2014 budget. He noted a few businesses are co-palleting and although not a problem, he would like some feedback on the process.

Freight is displacing vehicles and is very heavy – management is looking forward to the feedback.

**New Business:**

**Brush Disposal**

At South Beach behind the parade grounds, the original Hurricane Sandy brush pile had been taken care of and has been replaced recently with more brush, most likely from the Town of Southold, FIDCO and the Utility Company. Mr. Lamb will speak with Mr. Grebe as this regular material should go through the transfer station.

**Executive Session:**

Entering Executive Session:

At 5:30 pm the following resolution was proposed:

The Board of Commissioners, RESOLVED, that the meeting be adjourned into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of certain individuals.

Proposed by Commissioner Rafferty

Seconded by Commissioner Burnham

AYES: All  
NAYS: None

Exiting Executive Session:

At 5:54 pm the following resolution was proposed:

RESOLVED, that the Commission exit from Executive Session and resume Public Session.

Proposed by Commissioner Burnham

Seconded by Commissioner Rafferty

AYES: All

NAYS: None

The next scheduled meeting begins at 4:30pm July 15, 2013 at the Fishers Island Community Center.

The Annual Meeting for the election of a Commissioner of the Fishers Island Ferry District to be held on the 13th day of August 2013.

**Meeting Adjournment:**

There being no further business to discuss, and on motion made by Commissioner Edwards, seconded by Commissioner Burnham, and unanimously adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 5:55.