

Fishers Island Ferry District

*Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Fishers Island Ferry District
May 12, 2015*

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District was called to order on May 12, 2015 at 2:02PM by Commissioner Peter Rugg at the Fishers Island Community Center.

Present were Commissioners Parker, Ahrens, Rugg, and Diana Shillo. Present were Assistant Manager Gordon Murphy, Diane Hansen, and Ralph Carbone.

Commissioner Rugg officially called the meeting to order at 2:02PM and everyone in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag.

ICC Fireworks Cruise

Commissioner Parker moved to approve the fireworks cruise.

Moved by Commissioner Parker

Seconded by: Commissioner Rugg

Ayes: All

Nays: None

PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE:

No correspondence

REVIEW OF MEETINGS & MINUTES:

Upon review of the April 16, 2015 meeting minutes it was agreed to approve them as amended.

Moved by: Commissioner Parker

Seconded by: Commissioner Ahrens

Ayes: All

Nays: None

WARRANTS:

A list of outstanding obligations of the Ferry District were received and discussed. All invoices were declared to abide by Procurement Policy. There being no further discussion, a resolution was made to pay the outstanding obligation totaling \$173,170.16

Moved by: Commissioner Parker

Seconded by: Commissioner Ahrens

Ayes: All

Nays: None

BUDGET MODIFICATION:

RESOLVED that the Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby amend the 2014 Fishers Island Ferry District budget as follows:

Decrease Appropriations

SM5710.1.000.000	Payroll	\$17,135
SM5710.4.000.300	Fuel Oil-Vessels	\$40,000
SM5710.2.000.200	Ferry Repairs, Race Point	\$30,000
SM5710.2.000.000	Ferry Repairs, Both Vessels	<u>\$16,000</u>
		\$103,135

Increase Appropriations

SM5710.1.000.300	Vacation Earnings	\$17,135
SM1310.4.000.000	Accounting/Finance	\$40,000
SM5710.4.000.000	Other/Miscellaneous	\$20,000
SM5710.2.000.100	Ferry Repairs, Munnatawket	\$20,000
SM1930.4.000.000	Insurance Claim	<u>\$6,000</u>
		\$103,135

Moved by: Commissioner Ahrens
Seconded by: Commissioner Parker
Ayes: All
Nays: None

AIRPORT PRICING-Public Hearing

A public hearing was opened at 2:28 PM to discuss airport pricing and to discuss types and sizes of planes and helicopters that should be allowed to land on Fishers Island.

Moved by: Commissioner Ahrens
Seconded by: Commissioner Parker
Ayes: All
Nays: None

Mr. Carbone requested that the Ferry District create helicopter pricing based on seats as small helicopters were not nearly as big noise offenders as the larger ones.

With no further questions or public comments the public hearing was closed by way of motion at 2:57 PM.

Moved by: Commissioner Ahrens
Seconded by: Commissioner Shillo
Ayes: All
Nays: None

Commercial traffic on Monday and Tuesday boats during peak season:

Seeing as peak demand is a priority, it is a goal to get commercial traffic off of the morning (8:15 AM and 10:30 AM) ferries on Mondays and Tuesdays. This will apply solely for peak season.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

RP Yard Period

As of May 12, 2015 the Munnatawket passed Coast Guard inspection.

Furthermore to report, the ferry has requested information on package and the ferry's engine rebuild but as of yet they have not received any invoices.

Property Management:

With effect January 1, 2015 Gordon Murphy is authorized to execute the Lease Agreement for the Transfer Station facility between the Town of Southhold, NY, the Fishers Island Waste Management District and the Fishers Island Ferry District subject to the Fishers Island Waste Management District correcting the insurance certificate's additional insured requirements as per the lease agreement.

Moved by: Commissioner Parker
Seconded by: Commissioner Shillo
Ayes: All
Nays: None

With effect April 13, 2015 Gordon Murphy is authorized to execute the Memorandum of Agreement for the two properties leased to the New York State Police Troop L's use.

Moved by: Commissioner Rugg
Seconded by: Commissioner Parker
Ayes: All
Nays: None

Website and ticketing system - update

It is a goal of the Fishers Island Ferry District to have the new ticketing system up and running completely by midsummer and the new website up even earlier.

OTHER

Finance Update

Commissioner Rugg gave a brief overview

Legal Update - L&B Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fishers Island Ferry District's assigned legal counsel is authorized to prepare and negotiate the terms of an agreement resolving a certain pending litigation involving the Fishers Island Ferry District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon finalization of the agreement, the Fishers Island Ferry District authorizes Mr. Murphy to execute said agreement on the Fishers Island Ferry District's behalf and satisfy any obligations pursuant to that agreement on the Fishers Island Ferry District's behalf.

Moved by: Commissioner Parker
Seconded by: Commissioner Rugg
Ayes: All
Nays: None

HR

At the May 12th, 2015 meeting of the Fishers Island Ferry District Board of Commissioners, the following resolutions were brought by the Board:

The March 16th resolution of the Board of Commissioners Fishers Island Ferry District on Mr. Jonathan Haney's promotion to the Marine Operations Supervisor position is hereby amended as follows:

Effective March 6, 2015 Jonathan Haney is promoted to full-time Captain (FIFD) at a rate of \$22.00 per hour. Simultaneously Mr. Haney is released from his Deckhand assignment.

Effective May 1, 2015 Jonathan Haney is released from his Captain (FIFD) position and is promoted to the Marine Operations Supervisor position at an annual salary of \$65,000 and will report to Mr. Burns.

Moved by: Commissioner Parker
Seconded by: Commissioner Rugg
Ayes: All
Nays: None

With effect June 1, 2015 Patrick Rose is appointed a summer seasonal laborer to assist at the FI terminal at a wage of \$10.56 per hour. With effect May 15, 2015, Derek Scroxton is appointed a summer seasonal Laborer to assist at the FI terminal. With effect June 1, 2015, Penelope Benkard is appointed a summer seasonal Cashier (FIFD) to assist with ticketing at the FI terminal at a wage of \$10.56 per hour. With effect June 1, 2015, Duncan Harvey is appointed a summer seasonal Cashier (FIFD) to manage ticketing at the community theater at a wage of \$10.56 per hour. All four positions are summer seasonal appointments that will terminate on September 15, 2015.

Moved by: Commissioner Parker
Seconded by: Commissioner Shillo
Ayes: All
Nays: None

With effect April 15, 2015 James Moore is due a \$1.00 per hour raise to \$15.35 per hour.

Moved by: Commissioner Ahrens

Seconded by: Commissioner Rugg

Ayes: All

Nays: None

With effect May 15, 2015 Catherine Nowakoloski, Nathan White, Leo Pelletier, Steven Conary, Ryan Jennette, Anthony Long and Jeffery Nossek are reclassified to summer seasonal Deckhands (FIFD). On September 15, 2015 these seven Deckhands (FIFD) will be released from their appointments.

With effect May 15, 2015 Diane Richmond and Darcy Scroxtton will be reclassified to summer seasonal Cashiers (FIFD) and on September 15, 2015 they will be returned to their permanent part-time Cashier (FIFD) classification.

With effect May 15, 2015 John Gural will be reclassified to summer seasonal Purser (FIFD) and on September 15, 2015 he will be returned to his permanent part-time purser (FIFD) classification.

With effect May 12, 2015 Jeffery Potter having changed his mind with regard to summer employment has voluntarily resigned from the Ferry District.

Moved by: Commissioner Rugg

Seconded by: Commissioner Parker

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Mr. Burns was pleased to announce that having passed all his qualifications to become an advanced deckhand and with effect May 12, 2015 Daniel Eagan has had his salary increased from \$15.38 to \$16.38 per hour.

Moved by: Commissioner Rugg

Seconded by: Commissioner Parker

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Commissioner Rugg was pleased to report to the board that due to very positive annual reviews, the added duties of the District's Manager and the managing the Ferry District during very difficult and trying times this winter he was pleased to recommend that Assistant Managers Burns and Murphy be given a salary increase of \$4,500 on an annualized basis with effect April 16, 2015.

Moved by: Commissioner Rugg
Seconded by: Commissioner Ahrens
Ayes: All
Nays: None

OLD BUSINESS

FEMA- Airport

It is expected that C&S Engineers as the project manager for the lighting renewal will be moving forward this summer with a September project start. There will be rate increases due to payments needed to be made on airport repairs and airport lighting.

No movement has yet been made regarding online payment for airport usage.

South Ramp Project Status

The main concern for this project is that it goes as smoothly as possible. Emphasis will be on shoring up the structure and extending its life. The project will begin in June and no matter what, it will be done before the busy weekend of July 4th.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Entering Executive Session:

At 4:22 pm the following resolution was proposed:

The Board of Commissioners, RESOLVED, that the meeting be adjourned into Executive Session for the purpose of legal discussions regarding the employment of certain employees:

Proposed by Commissioner Rugg
Seconded by Commissioner Ahrens
AYES: All
NAYS: None

Exiting Executive Session:

At 4:38 pm the following resolutions were proposed:

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

Proposed by Commissioner Ahrens
Seconded by Commissioner Parker
AYES: All
NAYS: None

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled meeting of the Fishers Island Ferry District Board of Commissioners will be held June 8, 2015 at 3:30 PM at the Fishers Island Community Center.

There being no further business to discuss, and on motion made by Commissioner Ahrens Seconded by Commissioner Parker, and unanimously adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 4:39 PM.