

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Commissioners  
Fishers Island Ferry District  
August 17 2018

Commissioner Ahrens at the Fishers Island Community Center called a meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District (“the Ferry District”) to order on August 17, 2018 at 4:35 PM.

Commissioners Heather Burnham and Dianna Shillo were present. Also in attendance were Geb Cook, Gordon Murphy, Deanna Ross and Tom Cashel. Commissioner Peter Rugg and Diane Hansen were present via telephone.

Commissioner Ahrens established that a quorum was present. Everyone in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag.

**Correspondence/Public Comment** – Chairman Ahrens would like to congratulate Commissioner Rugg for being elected to another term. Mr. Cook received correspondence from Mr. Scott Russell and the Town of Southold thanking the FIFD for providing ferry transportation to the annual Town Board meeting on August 8, 2018. There was no public comment.

**Minutes**

RESOLUTION 2018 - 157

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby approves the minutes of the August 6, 2018 meeting.

Moved by: Commissioner A. Ahrens  
Seconded by: Commissioner H. Burnham  
Ayes: A. Ahrens, H. Burnham and D. Shillo  
Nays: None

**Warrant**

RESOLUTION 2018 – 158

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby approves the Warrant dated August 17, 2018, in the amount of \$46,514.18

Moved by: Commissioner D. Shillo  
Seconded by: Commissioner A. Ahrens  
Ayes: A. Ahrens, H. Burnham and D. Shillo  
Nays: None

**July Traffic** - Mr. Murphy updated the BOC. July passenger and vehicle traffic was up 10% and 4% respectively from July 2017. By in large, year to year the FIFD is doing well.

**PVA Meeting**

RESOLUTION 2018 - 159

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby grants permission to District Manager Geb Cook to attend the Ferries Conference, on October 10, 2018 at Renaissance Seattle Hotel in Seattle, Washington. All expenses for registration and travel, including meals, not to exceed \$1,500.00, will be a legal charge to the 2018 District budget.

Moved by: Commissioner A. Ahrens  
Seconded by: Commissioner H. Burnham  
Ayes: A. Ahrens, H. Burnham and D. Shillo  
Nays: None

**HR**

RESOLUTION 2018 – 160

It is RESOLVED that Kathleen Alfred-Nieman be appointed Account Clerk Typist (FIFD) with effect August 31, 2018, and be released from her current title Cashier (FIFD) at the end of business August 31, 2018.

Moved by: Commissioner D. Shillo  
Seconded by: Commissioner H. Burnham  
Ayes: A. Ahrens, H. Burnham and D. Shillo  
Nays: None

RESOLUTION 2018 - 161

WHEREAS Mark Boehm has resigned from his position as Deckhand (FIFD) with the Fishers Island Ferry District effective August 29, 2018;

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners accepts the resignation of Mr. Boehm with effect August 29, 2018 and thanks him for his years of service to the District. Mr. Boehm has no paid time off accruals and no further payments are due to him.

Moved by: Commissioner A. Ahrens  
Seconded by: Commissioner D. Shillo  
Ayes: A. Ahrens, H. Burnham and D. Shillo  
Nays: None

**Other** - The BOC has agreed to cancel the August 20, 2018 BOC meeting.

Mr. Cook noted that there are a few customers with dated ticket books who would like to exchange them. Discussion ensued and the BOC has agreed that old ticket books would expire on October 1, 2018. Prior to that date, customers with old ticket books can exchange them one for one with an expiration date of one year from the date of exchange. The BOC has asked

management to place a reminder of the deadline for exchange on the Fishers Island website as well as the Ferry website.

Commissioner Shillo asked management how the charges were handled regarding FedEx packages. Mr. Murphy responded that the FIFD has special contracts with both FedEx Express and UPS. The amount that is paid to FedEx Express is the amount that is charged to the customer and then the FIFD charges FedEx and UPS a special rate to move the envelope/freight from the island to the mainland to be picked up. For packages that arrive via FedEx Ground and Home the customer is being charged the appropriate ferry freight charge.

### **2019 Budget Hearing**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby opens a public hearing on the 2019 draft budget at 4:56 PM.

Moved by: Commissioner A. Ahrens  
Seconded by: Commissioner H. Burnham  
Ayes: A. Ahrens, H. Burnham and D. Shillo  
Nays: None

Mr. Cook presented a Power Point presentation of the draft 2019 Operating Budget. A discussion was ongoing during Mr. Cook's presentation with the commissioners and Mr. Cashel (who is also a member of the District's Finance Committee).

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby closes the public hearing on the 2019 budget and re-enters general session at 5:12 PM.

Moved by: Commissioner D. Shillo  
Seconded by: Commissioner H. Burnham  
Ayes: A. Ahrens, H. Burnham and D. Shillo  
Nays: None

**Next Scheduled Meeting – Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 4:30pm at the Island Community Center.**

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, and on motion made by Commissioner D. Shillo, seconded by Commissioner A. Ahrens, the meeting was adjourned at 17:14 pm.