

Town of Isle La Motte
Select Board Meeting
January 8, 2014
Town Hall/5:00 PM

Members present: Steve Stata, Rustam Spaulding & Selby Turner

Others present: Michele Murray-Select Board Clerk, Betsy Howland-Town Clerk & Treasurer, Debbie Spaulding-Lister, Deb Daly-Lister, Betty Lockerby-Town Service Officer, Mike Daly-Auditor, Barbara Callahan-Trustee of Public Funds, Terry Anderson-Solid Waste Management District Rep, Ray Allen-Grand Isle Sheriff, Donna Polk-Grand Isle Sheriff, John Yartz, Sarah Peacock-School Board

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 pm on January 8, 2014 by Chair Stata.

1. Additions to Agenda: no additions. #2 Budget working session will be moved to end of meeting. Agenda item #15-Landfill Monitoring-Update will be moved to #4.

2. Budget Working Session: moved to end of meeting. At end of meeting board decided that, a budget meeting will be scheduled for Wednesday January 15, 2014 at 4:00 PM.

3. Grand Isle Sheriff Department Visit: Ray Allen had discussion; 2012 and 2013 Grand Isle county had no reported casualties.

20% increase in budget due to increases in mileage, fuel, insurance, equipment etc.

Grand Isle Sheriff Department has a three year grant for a domestic abuse/domestic violence investigator.

Turner had discussion; what happens to the stolen items after burglaries, what is follow up/how are these items being traced? Allen had discussion; homeowners have to have inventory of their items, serial numbers, etc.

John Yartz had discussion; parking in roads during ice fishing season. Sheriff Allen instructed Yartz to call them to report the vehicles.

Turner had discussion; white stripping on the road ways. Sheriff Allen opinion-gives a clear view at night while traveling.

Other discussion; Mike Daly, Deb Daly

15. Landfill Monitoring-Update: Terry Anderson had discussion: ILMCO/Special Project Committee wants to do a shoreline stabilization demonstration site at the park, at the entrance bridge. A variety of plants (approx. \$100.00) will be planted by the committee with the town purchasing the plants, soil and provide the maintenance of the plants. The purpose of the site is to provide shoreline stabilization education.

ILMCO will be applying for a stabilization/erosion grant next year and thinks it will be helpful to have a small stabilization site in the making.

Terry Anderson had discussion; ILMCO Special Project Committee-Town Hall Kiosk; Committee has come up with a design. Committee requests \$1,200 for materials and believes volunteers can construct. Kiosk bulletin board will be a closed/sealed/locked board. Committee is requesting funds for the project for 2014 spring/summer work. This kiosk would be a standalone unit. Board agreed that, there is not a place near the Town Hall to put this.

Turner had discussion; possible porch with a bulletin board on front wall of town hall that includes a bench with a roof over.

Turner will work with the ILMCO committee on the project, suggests talking with Scott Newman (re; historical building) and get pricing together.

Terry Anderson had discussion; post closure certification/monitoring of landfill is finished, no need to monitor any longer. A certificate of custodial care is needed and needs to be done in 2014. Terry Anderson is willing to do the certificate at same pricing as normal funds that were used for monitoring. Board agreed that, Terry Anderson will provide the custodial care certificate for the town.

Terry Anderson had discussion; does not recommend the town get out of the Solid Waste District and continue to pay the dues.

4. Warrants for Payroll and Payables:

Payroll dated 12/14/2013 in the amount of \$4,021.37 signed by Spaulding
Turner made a motion to accept, 2nd by Stata, all in favor.

Payroll dated 12/31/2013 in the amount of \$1,406.85 signed by Turner
Spaulding made a motion to ratify, 2nd by Turner, all in favor.

Payroll dated 1/3/2014 in the amount of \$1,241.64 signed by Turner
Spaulding made a motion to ratify, 2nd by Turner, all in favor.

Payable dated 12/18/2013 in the amount of \$63,806.16 signed by Spaulding
Turner made a motion to accept, 2nd by Stata, all in favor.

Payable dated 12/31/2013 in the amount of \$14,168.21 signed by Turner
Spaulding made a motion to ratify, 2nd by Turner, all in favor.

Payable dated 1/8/2014 in the amount of \$14,817.77
Spaulding made a motion to approve, 2nd by Turner, all in favor.

Payable dated 12/27/2013 Fish and Wildlife in the amount of \$201.00
Spaulding made a motion to approve, 2nd by Turner, all in favor.

Mike Daly had discussion; when will the books be closed for 2013?

Betsy had discussion; will make one more payable run-mid month on January 15, 2013.

Board agreed that, a special budget meeting will be held on Wednesday January 15, 2014 at 4:00 PM.

5. Minutes of December 4, 2013

Spaulding made a motion to approve the regular Select Board meeting minutes of December 4, 2013, 2nd by Turner, all in favor.

6. Road Commissioner Report: Turner provided the Road Commissioner Report for December 2013, and the report for the Town Report by request of the Auditors.

Turner had discussion; major issues with the storage of salt and sand during the last storm. Suggests increasing the salt shed space, mixing salt and sand would be a saving of approx. \$7,000.00 per year.

Turner and Yaratz are working on the cost of the addition to the salt shed. Will have approx. cost of the addition at next budget meeting.

Other conversation; John Yaratz-provided the board with the savings numbers of \$7,000.00.

7. Town Clerk & Treasurer Report: Betsy had discussion; town hall renovation project is close to being completed.

Water line froze during the cold period; new heat tape has been installed.

Town credit card was hacked; card has been cancelled and new one on the way.

8. Polling Place Accessibility: Betsy had discussion; inspection of the polling place/town hall has been completed, need to make the polling place/Town Hall handicapped accessible with a painted handicapped area in the parking lot and a ramp leading up to the building.

9. Dog License Fee: Betsy had discussion; State of Vermont Statue requires \$8.00 fee for dog registrations/licenses, the town has been charging \$9.00, this charge has been the same sense Betsy started as Town Clerk. Betsy suggests the charge be \$8.00. Board agreed that, the dog license fee will be \$8.00.

Other conversation; Sarah Peacock suggests a rabies clinic, Sarah will look into.

10. Town Hall Accessibility: Betsy had discussion; same discussion as #8-Polling Place Accessibility.

11. Review Calendar; Nothing

12. Generator-Update; Stata had discussion; Dan Rainville is looking into a more cost effective generator.

13. Health Insurance-Update: Stata had discussion; VLCT is to send a draft procedure, have not heard back as of yet.

14. Shrine-Update; nothing to report.

15. Landfill Monitoring-Update: discussed prior.

16. GISU-fuel oil/kerosene contracts FY13-14: board reviewed the contract and agreed to continue with the contract.

17. Emergency Plan-Update: Stata had discussion; the emergency plan needs to be updated yearly. Stata will discuss with Scott Newman and make updates to the current emergency plan.

Other conversation; John Yarat, Mike Daly, Betty Lockerby

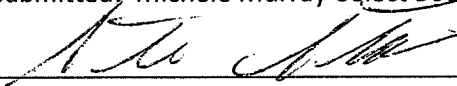
18. Department of Environmental Conservation-repair gas vent screen: Terry Anderson stated, not applicable at this time.

19. Suzanne LaBombard-Retirement Monies-Update: Stata had discussion; LaBombard has a new attorney. The town has not heard from the town attorney.

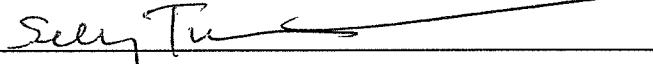
20. Other Business:
Microsolve (CAMA, yearly) contract signed by Stata.

Spaulding made a motion to adjourn at 7:06 PM, 2nd by Turner, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted; Michele Murray-Select Board Clerk

Steve Stata  _____

Rustam Spaulding  _____

Selby Turner  _____

Approved on 2/5/14 _____