Town of Isle La Motte

Selectboard Meeting

May 1, 2019

Town Hall @ 5:00PM

Members present: Stephen Stata, Rustam Spaulding, Selby Turner

Others present: Deborah Spaulding, Joyce Tuck, Paul Zera, Lyle Andrews, John Yaratz, Peter Brzozowy, Sylvia Jensen, Barbara Callahan, Sarah Noble and VT State Police Maurice LaMothe.

Meeting called to order at 5:00PM by Chair, Stephen Stata.

1. Additions to agenda-None
2. Executive session- No need
3. Minutes of April 10, 2019

* **Motion by Spaulding to approve April 10, 2019 minutes, 2nd by Turner—All in favor.**

1. Warrants for payroll & payables

* **Motion by Spaulding to ratify 4/16/19 payroll, signed by Turner in the amount of $2305.56, 2nd by Turner-- All in favor.**
* **Motion by Spaulding to ratify 4/30/19 payroll, signed by Turner in the amount of $1765.40, 2nd by Turner-- All in favor.**
* **Motion by Spaulding to approve 3/06/19 *corrected* payable in the amount of $30150.34, 2nd by Turner—All in favor. USPS charge of $58.43 was posted under incorrect vendor (Original amount of payable $30208.77.)**
* **Motion by Spaulding to approve 4/24/19 payable, in the amount of $9240.33, 2nd by Turner-- All in favor.**
* **Motion by Spaulding to approve 4/24/19 EFT payable, in the amount of $868.12, 2nd by Turner-- All in favor.**

1. Monthly budget & balance sheet
2. Road commissioner’s report

* Turner had discussion; Grants were submitted timely, but no guarantee Isle La Motte will be a recipient. Salt and sand budget needs to go up when it comes to 2020 budget planning. There have been a few trees removed from Church St. When the water recedes, the Town can start replacing property owner’s ladders etc. on the shoreline that were moved during the seawall project. Wood posts at Bridge area need replacing or repair as they have been knocked down.

1. Discussion/decision on town mowing

* Stata had discussion; the Town mowing for the Rec site/salt shed, bridge area, Shrine monument area & Town Hall property has been placed for bid in the Islander twice with no bids submitted. Eric Noble (not in attendance) showed interest in mowing and will provide the Select board with a one (1) year quote.

1. discussion/decision on yearly homestead penalty

* **Motion by Spaulding to apply 8% penalty for late filed homestead penalty, 2nd by Turner—All in favor.**

1. Speed limit sign discussion

* Stata had discussion; the Town needs to draft an ordinance to change the speed limit on School St. Stata to draft ordinance. Paul Zera and Selby Turner will work together to get the correct sign placement

1. Tree policy ratification

* Stata had discussion; we will also be starting the ordinance process for our Tree Policy. This must be run for three (3) meetings and notice placed in the Islander. Islander notice should inform people that ash trees are prevalent in Isle La Motte and this policy is to help/prevent emerald ash borer from spreading.
* **Motion by Spaulding to approve Isle La motte Tree Policy, 2nd by Turner—All in favor.**

1. Town hall update discussion

* Stata had discussion; presented a draft of the town hall volunteer committee charge. The committee is to look over the draft and request revisions if felt necessary at next meeting.

1. Other business

* Joyce Tuck had discussion; Cannon update?
* Lyle Andrews had discussion; the gun cradle is finished. Looking to get slabs of white oak for the cheeks of the gun and Mark Cobb has volunteered his wood shop to help with this effort.

**Motion by Spaulding to adjourn meeting at 6:12PM, 2nd by Stata—All in favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah Noble / Select Board Clerk

Selectboard approved on: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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