

**TOWN OF WASHINGTON
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

Wednesday, January 13, 2016
Rutledge Room
Minutes

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SUBJECT TO BOARD APPROVAL

1. Call to Order : The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Elizabeth Holmes at 9 a.m.
2. Roll Call by Town Clerk: In addition to Supervisor Holmes, present were Supervisors Randy Sorensen, Kirby Foss and John Rader. Chairman James Hansen was excused.
3. Approval of Original alcohol license for Island Café-Island Bread Company, LLC: Motion made by Supervisor Foss, second by Randy Sorensen to approve the Class B beer and the Class C wine license for the Island Cafe-Island Bread Company and to pro rate the license fee for the months from February through June. Supervisor Foss made the suggestion to include the legal parameters for the lot size on the application. Motion carried.
4. Response to Hal Davis, Bureau of Aeronautics: Supervisor Sorensen made a Motion to bring forward the response to Hal Davis, second by Supervisor Foss. Discussion followed regarding the understanding of what is being requested. The Airport Manager, Walt Nehlsen, stated he spoke with Hal Davis and advised him Mark Pfundletter will be coming up to measure. Discussion followed regarding trimming of trees and determination of the scope of measurements followed. Supervisor Foss asked to firm up the date of Mark Pfundletter's visit so that could be included in the letter to Hal Davis. The Public Works Director gave his understanding of what Hal Davis is seeking and stated the question is does the Town want the Bureau to assist with the local ordinance or does the Town want to go with air rights through the Bureau. The Board discussed options; their feeling was to let the state follow through. It was decided the Engineer should be in contact with Hal Davis and the Clerk suggested a conference call, including Mike Hintz, to be certain everyone hears and agrees to the same plan. Motion by Supervisor Sorensen to set up a conference call with Hal Davis and the engineering firm and "interested parties" for the 29th of January. Second by Kirby Foss; Motion carried.
5. Approval of Resolution 2016-01 (to replace Resolution 2014-03) dealing with 457 Deferred Compensation Plan. Motion by Supervisor Sorensen to bring forward the Approval of Resolution 2016-01 forward; second by Supervisor Foss. Sorensen stated the Resolution simply addresses language change and he made a Motion to approve Resolution 2016-01. Second by Supervisor Foss, Motion carried.

6. Appoint interim Fire Chief: This item was delayed to after item 7 to allow pumpers present to participate.
7. Utility District customer billing – Discussion Only Supervisor Sorensen made a Motion to bring the discussion of the Utility District billing forward.

Supervisor Holmes seconded the Motion, Motion carried. There was some confusion regarding previous action by the Board and discussion of how to proceed. Amy Jorgensen of Jorgensen's Sanitation discussed some of her thoughts and concerns, including handling of delinquent accounts. The question was raised regarding how the other pumper, Johnson's Island Sanitation, wants to proceed; Public Works Director stated they communicated with him they are not in favor of their doing the billing. Several questions regarding procedure were discussed. Cost of current billing procedures and what impact changes would have on the taxpayers was discussed. Supervisor Foss stated the details should be worked out and he could see the advantage of the public getting one bill. Public Works Director stated he will call Johnson's Island Sanitation to let them know the outcome of this meeting. Everyone agreed the details need to be worked out. This item will be put on the February agenda.

6. Appoint interim Fire Chief: Discussion of how to proceed by Board members. John Rader proposed changing budget figures toward the end of having the current fire chief rescind his resignation. Supervisor Foss stated no one on the fire department is willing to step into the position of interim chief. Supervisor Rader stated a change in the 2015 budget should be considered to reinstate monies to increase the fire department budget. That would need to be put on the February meeting agenda or a Special Board Meeting prior to that. Supervisor Foss will discuss the plan with Fire Chief Peter Nehlsen and action today will be postponed; item 6 it tabled.
8. Adjourn: Motion by Supervisor Sorensen, second by Holmes to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Valerie Carpenter, Clerk/Treasurer

Elizabeth Holmes, Supervisor

Randall Sorensen, Supervisor

Kirby Foss, Supervisor

John Rader, Supervisor