

GRAND ISLE SELECTBOARD

SPECIAL MEETING - Minutes

July 24, 2018 – Following 7:15pm BCA Meeting
Town Office Community Room
9 Hyde Road, Grand Isle, VT

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Diane Cota called the Special Selectboard meeting to order at 8:49pm

Board Members Present: Diane Cota-Co Chair, AnnaMarie DeMars, Eric Godin and Rachael Griggs

Board Members Not Present: Jeff Parizo

Community Members Present: Guest: Tim Parizo

Tim Parizo attended the meeting. He said he has emailed the Selectboard documents of a full-length timeline that was done for the request to have the Town of Grand Isle take over Island Circle Road as a Town Road. He explained he and his business do a lot for the Town and support a lot of the community. After discussions Tim thanked the Board for their time and leaves the building.

- II. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Diane Cota makes a ~~to~~ motion to go into executive session at 9:00 to discuss real estate purchase options and whether to rescind the 2016 decision to accept Island Circle Road as a Town Highway. Rachael Griggs seconded the motion; all in favor and the motion passes.

Diane Cota makes a motion to come out of executive session at 9:17 and with the decision to be made in an open meeting. Eric Godin seconded the motion; all in favor and the motion passes.

Dianne Cota makes a motion to rescind the previous motion made by Mark Cobb, Grand Isle Selectboard Vice Chair on September 12, 2016 to accept Island Circle as a public road after a two year period (September 12, 2016 to September 12, 2018) and that the Town Attorney will work with Carl Lisman Island Industrial Corps attorney, to make an amendment to the ~~2016~~ 2006 agreement. Bill Baron seconded the motion; all voted in favor and the motion passes.

Eric Godin seconded the motion. Diane asked if there is a discussion, none held. All four members voted in favor and the motion passes.

Diane Cota listed three of the reasons on how we made this decision:

1. We feel it is not a benefit to the Town residents at this time and it could be in the future but for now this is not a benefit to the Town
2. The maintenance upkeep costs are going to be expensive for the Town and we need to consider all of the Towns people.
3. Also safety concerns such as during snowstorms Island Circle Road would be the last road plowed and Cota's Propane is stored there.

We do want to thank Tim for all his contributions to the community but at this time there is not enough benefits to the Town to approve this road.

III. ADJOURNMENT: Rachael Griggs motions to adjourn at 9:19. Eric Godin seconds the motion, all in favor and the motion passes.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachael Griggs, Selectboard Clerk

Date: _____

Diane Cota, Selectboard Vice Chair

Date: _____

AnnaMarie DeMars

Date: _____

Eric Godin

Date: _____