

Grand Isle Select Board
Minutes of the Meeting for
Saturday, January 22nd, 2022 at 10:00AM via Zoom

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board Members Present: Jeff Parizo – Chair; Adam White; Ron Bushway; Eric Godin

Community Members Present: Melissa Boutin

Board Members to Amend Agenda for Matters Not Listed:

II. GUEST OPEN COMMENT

III. OLD BUSINESS:

Budgets – Revise Transfer Station Budget: Melissa Boutin proposed decreasing the equipment fund from the FY22 number of \$5,000 down to \$1,000. Adam White explains that the transfer station reserve fund is at \$35,000, and those funds are meant to be used for capitol equipment. Jeff mentions that there was \$4,000 needed to update the scales and he thought the money should come from that reserve. Jeff says that mixed solid waste went to \$26,000. Jeff explains that the sheets need to be balanced, with the expenditures equaling revenues. Melissa says this is being done just to balance the sheet. Adam and Eric Godin agree with Melissa’s proposed changes. Jeff asks for a motion. Ron Bushway asks if all the money that is surplus goes into the reserve fund. Adam answers that any excess monies automatically go into the reserve fund. Adam says that the reserve fund is meant for capitol equipment fund, and is funded by any excess revenue generated by the transfer station. Jeff says that this action will have no impact on property taxes. Melissa points out that with the proposed changes, the spreadsheet shows a net zero. Melissa says that doing this may require further changes to be made to be fully accurate. Jeff asks if the transfer station was a plus or a minus this year. Ron says that per the spreadsheet, the estimated revenues were \$99,500 and expenditures were \$100,381, so it was a slight loss. Ron says that the point is, no matter what the Board does the money either come from or goes into the transfer station reserve fund. Ron says that the transfer station still needs to purchase baling wire, which is expensive due to how much has to be purchased at once. Ron also says that the trash compactor is rotting out, which will likely require some money to take care of. Jeff asks if it’s possible to pool with another town to buy baling wire, or buy it from another transfer station. Jeff says that looking at the general ledger, he sees a line item for the autocar, and asks if there had been payments budgeted for that previously. Melissa says that it was not, because those funds had already been set aside for the purpose of making those payments. ***Eric Godin moves to accept the changes to the transfer station budget as proposed by the town treasurer, Melissa Boutin. Jeff Parizo seconds. No further discussion. Jeff calls the vote, which passes unanimously with four ‘ayes’.***

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Adam White moves to adjourn the meeting at 10:13am. Eric Godin seconds. No discussion. Jeff calls the vote, which passes unanimously.

Select Board Scribe: _____
Eric Godin

Select Board Chair: _____
Jeff Parizo