



## **TOWN OF MOUNT DESERT WARRANT COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Tuesday, February 9, 2021  
6:02 PM**

**Approved 2/23/2021**

### **Meeting held over Zoom**

Present (16): John Adams, Tate Bushell, Katrina Carter, Owen Craighead Jr., Jesse Hartson, Brian Henkel, Stephanie Kelley Reece, Phil Lichtenstein, Gail Marshall, Samuel McGee, Jerry Miller, Kathleen Miller, Timothy Murphy, Donna Reis, Carmen Sanford, Craig Roebuck

Late (2): Ellen Kappes, Rodney Eason

Excused (1): William Ferm

Absent (3): Blakeslee Bell, Norris Reddish, Marina McGarr

Guests: Harbormaster John Lemoine, Public Works Director Tony Smith

- I. The meeting was called to order by Phil Lichtenstein at 6:02 PM.
- II. Announcements and welcome guests to the meeting - Next Warrant Committee meeting is a combined meeting with the Town of Mount Desert Board of Selectmen to consider the first half of the submitted Third Party Requests on Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM.
- III. A motion to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2021 Warrant Committee meeting was made by Owen Craighead and seconded by Sam McGee. The minutes were approved.  
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- IV. Marina & Public Works Budget Review: Harbormaster John Lemoine gave an overview of the Marina budget including the 7% increase for an additional part time employee, removal of another part time position, seasonal hires, the hiring of a new Deputy Harbormaster, additional cellular costs, and the extra revenue generated by the marina. The Warrant Committee was reminded that the Committee does not vote approval for the Marina budget warrant article.

Public Works Director Tony Smith described the two separate warrant articles that go before Town Meeting to cover the Public Works budget. Tony Smith also provided an overview of some of the items within the Public Works budget including overall staffing, upcoming construction

plans, road salt effects on roadsides and groundwater, effectiveness of the solar panels on the Public Works building, purchase of the solar panels after year 6, the electrical savings on LED traffic signals, the pending purchase of the Fiberite waste processing facility, cemetery maintenance on non-town lands, electric vehicle charging stations, equipment leasing, and paving.

- V. Round Table Discussion – The Warrant Committee discussed the money left over from the cancelled Committee meal. Katrina Carter moved and Jerry Miller seconded requesting that the Board of Selectmen donate the \$600 earmarked for the Committee meal to the Mount Desert Elementary School for use in their school lunch program. The Warrant Committee deferred a vote on the motion until the next Warrant Committee meeting pending a discussion with the school regarding where there is a need for the donation. The Committee also discussed requesting digital copies of the cover sheets of the Third Party Requests, and Marina District management of marinas and moorings.
- VI. Owen Craighead moved to adjourn the Warrant Committee meeting and it was seconded by Sam McGee. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.