

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BIT MEETING
TOWN OF FRYE ISLAND
July 26, 2008**

LOCATION

The location of the meeting was the Community Center, Town of Frye Island.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Bruce Nisula, BIT Executive Committee Chairman, at 9:00 AM.

NEW BUSINESS

WARRANT FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ISLAND TRUSTEES (BIT)

A warrant article specifying the business before the BIT was posted seven days prior to the Meeting.

The Warrant Articles read as follows:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Board of Island Trustees will vote to apply a three (\$3.00) dollar fuel surcharge to the cost of each \$12.00 ferry ticket and a six dollar (\$6.00) fuel surcharge to the cost of each \$24.00 ferry ticket. This surcharge will be collected on each ticket used for the remainder of the season; and will be applied to the ferry operating revenue account. Pre-purchased tickets are not exempt from this surcharge. The six dollar surcharge to heavy equipment will be charged per unit (i.e., A dump truck equals 1 unit, a dump truck and trailer equals 2 units, Dump truck cost \$96.00 + \$6.00 = \$102.00, Dump truck and trailer cost \$96.00 + \$6.00 + \$6.00 = \$108.00).

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Board of Island Trustees will vote to suspend the transfer of the \$3.00 contribution from the sale of a discounted ferry ticket and \$4.00 contribution from the sale of a full price ferry ticket to the Ferry Capital Reserve. These respective amounts would be added directly to the ferry operating revenue account. This is considered a short term solution and will end at the end of the 2008 season or sooner as determined by the Executive Committee should revenues and expenses become more favorable.

It was moved by David Treacy, Lot 2653, and seconded by James O'Connor, Lot 2105, "that the BIT approve Article 1 as written in the Warrant". After some introductory comments by Town Manager Wayne Fournier, the Motion was opened to floor debate.

It was moved by Bob Defosses, Lot 64, and seconded by Dianna Lucor, Lot 65, that the Motion to Approve Article 1 be amended as follows: **"that Ferry ticket costs apply only to non-discounted tickets, and that any shortfall be met from suspended transfers to the Capital Reserve account"**. After some discussion, the Motion to Amend was withdrawn.

It was moved by Dick Norris, Lot 61, and seconded by Tim McCarthy, Lot 3058, that Article I be amended as follows: **“ARTICLE 1: To see if the Board of Island Trustees will vote: 1)To apply a six dollar (\$6.00) fuel surcharge to the cost of each \$24.00 ferry ticket. This surcharge will be collected on each ticket used for the remainder of the season; and will be applied to the ferry operating revenue account. Pre-purchased tickets are not exempt from this surcharge. The six dollar surcharge to heavy equipment will be charged per unit (i.e., A dump truck equals 1 unit, a dump truck and trailer equals 2 units, Dump truck cost \$96.00 + \$6.00 = \$102.00, Dump truck and trailer cost \$96.00 + \$6.00 + \$6.00 = \$108.00); and, 2) To suspend the transfer of the \$3.00 contribution from the sale of a discounted ferry ticket to the Ferry Capital Reserve. This amount would be added directly to the ferry operating revenue account. This is considered a short term solution and will end at the end of the 2008 season or sooner as determined by the Executive Committee should revenues and expenses become more favorable.”** The Amended Motion was opened to floor debate, and after debate, the vote was taken by the show of properly colored paper, with “Board of Island Trustees” written upon it. Those in favor of approving the Amended Motion numbered 32; and those opposed to the Amended Motion numbered 40. **The Amended Motion failed.**

The Amended Motion having failed, a vote was taken on the Motion to Approve Article 1 as written in the warrant. Those in favor of approving Article 1 numbered 42; and those opposed to approving Article 1 numbered 28. **The Motion to Approve Article 1 carried.**

It was moved and seconded **“that the BIT approve Article 2 as written in the Warrant”**. The Motion was opened to floor debate, and after debate, the vote was taken by the show of properly colored paper, with “Board of Island Trustees” written upon it. Those in favor of the Motion to Approve Article 2 numbered 29; and those opposed to the Motion numbered 42. **The Motion to Approve Article 2 failed.**

ADJOURNMENT

A Motion to adjourn at 10:40 AM was made by John Crosby and seconded by Bob Giggy. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

**Bruce C. Nisula, Chairman
Executive Committee of the Board of Island Trustees**