

TOWN OF CUSHING  
BOARD OF  
SELECTMEN

Minutes of Meeting

July 10, 2017  
Cushing Community Center

**Selectmen Present:** Chair Alton Grover, Heidi Alley, Martha Marchut, and Dan Staples

**Selectmen Absent:** Laurie Haynes

**Staff Present:** Kate Hoyt, Deputy Municipal Clerk

**Public Present:** Alan Magee, Monika Magee, Dan Remian, Bill Aboud, Richard Essex, and t.r. jackson (all Cushing taxpayers); as well as Cushing School Principal Dawn Jones and Annette Naegel of the Georges River Land Trust

**1. Call to Order:** Chair Alton Grover called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

**3. Approve and Sign the Warrant:**

**ACTION:** Selectman Dan Staples made a motion, seconded by Selectman Martha Marchut, to approve Warrants 30 and 31.

**Motion Carried 3-0-1** [Heidi Alley abstained, having not had time to view the warrants.]

**4. Approve Minutes of the 06/26/17 Meeting:**

**ACTION:** Selectman Dan Staples made a motion, seconded by Selectman Heidi Alley, to approve the Minutes of the 06/26/17 meeting.

**Discussion:** None.

**Motion to Approve 6/26/2017 Minutes Carried 3-0-1** [Martha Marchut abstained, not having been present at the 6/26 meeting.]

**5. Additions and Changes to the Agenda:**

**5a.** Martha Marchut made a comment about the Transfer Station Meeting. If anyone has suggestions or comments, she asked that they get them to her before the vote.

**ACTION:** None taken.

**5b. Letter to Heinz Windzio.**

**Discussion:** Bill Aboud and Dan Remian, of the Cushing Planning Board, were in the audience. Bill asked if a certified letter had been sent to Heinz Windzio, owner of the studio at Map 28, Lot 18-1. Dan Remian said there was a time commitment on that letter. The Selectmen were not sure if CEO Scott Bickford had sent the letter out via certified mail. Dan Remian commented that it was not too late to send it certified.

**ACTION:** [Informal] Chair Alton Grover agreed to check with CEO Scott Bickford about the letter.

## 6. Unfinished Business:

### 6a. Keyless or Keyed Locks for the Fire Station.

**ACTION:** Alton Grover made a motion to discuss key situation and bring information back to the Board. Heidi Alley seconded.

**Discussion:** Chair Alton Grover revisited the issue of new locks for the fire station. Fire Department would prefer keyless locks; Selectmen went over pros and cons, including cost, safety issues, the back-up key that comes with the keyless locks (and what happens if this key is lost or if too many people have it). The Selectmen felt that it would be cheaper to put keyed locks in, as keyless locks cost \$650 apiece and they would need two of them. Heidi Alley thought that a mechanical solution would be preferable. Problems with electronics were discussed. Martha Marchut reminded the Selectmen that they had talked about having a keypad on one door; Heidi Alley wondered if this might be a fire hazard. Dan Staples suggested having the keypad on the inside door. He also suggested a combined solution, some keys and a keypad. Alton Grover said approximately 40 keys would be needed.

**Motion Carried 4-0-0**

## 7. New Business:

### 7a. Annette Naegel, from the Georges River Land Trust, Updated the Board on the Langlais Property.

**ACTION:** [Presentation] None taken.

**Discussion:** Annette Naegel and Cushing School Principal Dawn Jones, a Cushing taxpayer, presented information about their collaboration to the Board. Annette passed around a map of the 90-acre property to show the Board how much land had been donated, and what the Land Trust proposes to do with it. She discussed plans to install a 900' handicapped-accessible loop around the sculptures. Naegel and Jones explained that a connection between artist Bernard (Blackie) Langlais and the school is that Langlais' wife, Helen, had been a teacher there. Jones said collaborating with the Land Trust would give Cushing School students an opportunity to "engage with place." On an upcoming staff development day, the school plans to bring students to the Town Office to view Langlais' artwork on the walls. The school and the land trust are working toward integrating those disabled people who are part of the community. Jones invited interested people to call with questions. Audience members said they appreciated the Land Trust's focus on the education side of things. Heidi Alley mentioned that Coastal Opportunities in Camden might be helpful.

### 7b. Salt Pond Lot Owners Association:

**ACTION:** Dan Staples made a motion to accept the Salt Pond Lot Owners' Association's request to use the Community Room on Sept. 9, from 10 a.m. to noon, for their annual meeting. Heidi Alley seconded.

**Discussion:** Board members reviewed the association's proof of insurance and commented that the association had met in the community room the previous year.

**Motion Carried 4-0-0**

**8. Comments from Citizens:** Monika Magee, of the Cushing Recycling Committee and formerly of the Waldoboro Transfer Station Committee, spoke regarding the red recycling bins that Cushing residents have been issued. We are currently out of them. She wondered how many we needed. She said the Recycling Committee has funds available to provide a first bin to each new Cushing resident, for free. She wondered if the Town could store the new bins until they are issued. Currently, there are approximately 800 bins in circulation. Monika was projecting eight years into the future, but was not sure how many bins she would need. Whatever the number turns out to be, Monika advised the Selectmen that the Recycling Committee would order this number and donate the balance of

the funds they had set aside for bins, toward the Good Neighbor Park project. Dan Staples wondered where the Recycling Committee had got the bins. Monika said California. Bill Aboud wondered if there were a break point [opportunity costs of getting bins and having to store them]. Alton Grover said there was room for some of the bins.

Cushing taxpayer Richard Essex wondered what the latest news was on Broad Cove Market, which burned at Easter. The Selectmen said they had heard only rumors so far.

**9. Adjournment:**

**ACTION:** Selectman Alton Grover made a motion, seconded by Selectman Dan Staples, to adjourn at 6:45 p.m.

**Motion Carried 4-0-0**

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Hoyt,  
Deputy Municipal Clerk