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Important Information

Town of Frye Island

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Frye Island, ME 04071
Phone: 207-655-4551
Fax: 207-655-3422
Email: office@fryeisland.com
Web site: www.fryeisland.com
Town Manager: Wayne Fournier

Office Hours

Tuesday thru Saturday: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Sunday & Monday: Closed

Code Enforcement Officer

Will be established when a new CEO is hired. For an appointment call 207-650-4817.

Fire, Medical, or Police Emergencies – Call 911

Non-emergencies

Frye Island Police: (207-655-2600)
Fire Department: 207-655-8618

Municipal Officers

John Nun First Selectman
Mark Thomas Selectman
Phil Perry Selectman
Joseph Potts..... Treasurer

BIT Representatives:

Bruce Nisula.....Chair
Bob Miner
Joe Potts
Debbie Anthony

Representative to Legislature

Hon. John C. Robinson
Residence: 207-655-8657
Business: 207-539-4481 Ext 1
E-mail Repjohn.robinson@legislature.maine.gov

Public Works Department

Garage phone: 207-655-7493
Director: John Crosby

Transfer Station Operating Hours

Saturday: 10 AM - 3 PM
Sunday: 12 noon - 5 PM
Holiday weekends: Monday, 12 noon - 5 PM
Closed Sunday

If you need access to the Transfer Station Monday through Friday (8 AM - 3 PM), please call the Public Works Garage and leave a message. (Advance notice is greatly appreciated.) We will need your name and Island phone number.

Frye Island News Service

Email: lkerrigan@fryeisland.com



Town News

Island Manager's Comments

Greetings Everyone,

It is that time of year again when we publish the Winter News Letter and Annual Report and, again, it is virtually impossible to predict if the Island will open when scheduled. If you have seen any of the local weather reports, or viewed the comments provided by Dave Bond, and others, you know that New England has experienced an old fashioned winter. Needless to say, Frye Island has not been spared. An article in the Portland Press Herald, at the beginning of March, reported that they had received 94 inches of snow this winter. That's just 2 inch short of 8 feet, it almost seems unimaginable to have that much snow. Reports from the Island are that there is still about 4 feet of snow covering the Island and the rain that fell on top of the snow has compacted this mess to a very solid 4 feet.

We are scheduled to open on Friday April 25th, but again, we will have to depend on Mother Nature to help. We will keep you posted via e-mail and our web site. If calling the office is your only option for information, please call, but keep in mind that as we approach the opening date, there will be a lot of work going on to get the water on, the roads open and the office moved. So if someone doesn't get to the phone immediately, please be patient. We will try to keep an update on the answering machine.

Some other things that have occurred this winter:

Frye Island vs. the State of Maine: As most of you know, Frye Island filed a complaint in Superior Court claiming that the legislation that prohibited the Town from withdrawing from SAD 6, and the exemption from more recent legislation that doesn't allow Frye Island to use the student population as part of the tax calculations was unconstitutional. The superior court ruled in favor of the State last year so the Town appealed that decision to the State Supreme Court. Oral arguments were heard in January. In February we received word that the Court had denied our appeal. Therefore we will not have the choice to withdraw from SAD 6, and the tax paid for education will continue to be based on Frye Island property values. That being said, the most recent school consolidation legislation forming the Regional School Unit, RSU'S, essentially prevents all schools from withdrawing anyway. This fact was part of the basis for the courts decision. The Supreme Courts decision can be read on the web site. (FYI: Superior Court rulings are made by a single justice, Supreme Court rulings are made by a panel of 5 justices).

Frye Island vs. Mr. Timothy Toomey: Mr. Toomey had filed an application with the Board of Appeals requesting a variance of 25 feet from the 100 feet setback that the Shore Land Zoning Ordinance requires from the lake. (This would reduce the setback from 100' to 75') The Board of Appeals originally granted a variance to 80 feet then later reconsidered and denied the variance. Mr. Toomey appealed that final decision to the Superior Court which ruled in Mr. Toomey's favor based on the timing of the reconsideration. The Town appealed that decision to the Supreme Court and the Supreme Court over turned the Superior Court decision and upheld the Board of Appeals denial of the variance request. The Supreme Courts decision can be read on the web site.

Police and Safety: Dana Wessling has resigned as the police officer for Frye Island to pursue other interests. In his place I have hired Rod Beaulieu to serve as our Chief of Police. Rod retired from the Sanford Maine Police Dept. after 20 years. During that time he served as a patrol officer, a detective, detective supervisor and 14 years as a patrol supervisor. He brings a lot of experience to the position. In addition, he has three other certified police officers that will be assisting him on an as needed basis.

Code Enforcement Officer: Paul White has resigned as our CEO to take a full time position in Eliot Maine. He has agreed to answer questions relating to building permits through the winter until we can find a replacement. We are in search of a certified Code Enforcement Officer, and Local Plumbing Inspector to fill this position on a part-time, seasonal basis. We plan to have this position filled by the time the Island opens. Other than that, Lisa Kerrigan and Ronnie Ilich will be returning to serve you in the office, and the Public Works and Ferry Crews remain pretty much intact.

Frye Island Volunteer Fire Dept.: The report has been placed on the Frye Island web site because of it's size.

I would like to thank the members of the Board of Selectmen / Executive Committee for their support during 2007. In addition, I would like to thank all of the Town employees and all volunteer committee members for their efforts to make the 2007 season enjoyable for everyone.

I hope everyone has had a happy and healthy off season and I look forward to seeing everyone on the Island soon.

Wayne

Town Clerks Report	
Town Clerk	Wayne Fournier
Deputy Town Clerk	Lisa Kerrigan
The Town Clerk reports the following activity for 2007	
Activity	Number
Excise Tax Only	1
Passenger Cars registered	30
Island Use Vehicles	240
Trailer Registrations	35
Moped Registrations	3
Motorcycle Registrations	1
Motor Home Registrations	1
Titles	7
Fishing Licenses	92
Boat Registrations	300
Non-Resident Milfoil Stickers	118
ATV Registrations	5
Marriage Licenses	0
Dog Licenses	0

Registrar of Voters Report	
Registrar of Voters	Wayne Fournier
Deputy Registrar of Voters	Lisa Kerrigan
The Town of Frye Island has 95 registered voters enrolled as follows:	
Democrat	16
Green	10
Republican	28
Unenrolled	41
Total	95

Tax Collectors Report			
Tax Collector:	Wayne Fournier		
Deputy Tax Collector:	Calvin Nutting		
The following taxes remain outstanding. We continue to work through the lien / foreclosure process to reduce this list.			
Tax Year: 1988-1 To 2008-1			
			Amount
272	ZINCK, TRACEY	2006	28.39
704	MOSES, JAMES P.	2006	298.61
689	PARASILITI, CLAIRE	2006	18.49
484	ALLEN, HELEN	2007	1,682.69
134	BRAUN, WILLIAM / ELENOR	2007	5,629.10
320	BRISTOL, SALLY A.	2007	1,471.82
370	CARRIER, RONALD H.	2007	236.47
36	HICKEY, MARGARET F.	2007	35.34
247	JORDAN, JAMES / STEPHANIE A.	2007	25.66
107	KEANE, CHRISTOPHER & MURDOCK	2007	219.90
140	KILBURN, STEVEN P. / ANN MARIE	2007	893.13
741	MESSERVEY, AMBROSE H	2007	1,328.18
704	MOSES, JAMES P.	2007	321.99
269	O'CONNOR, JAMES L./LAURETTA L.	2007	31.31
689	PARASILITI, CLAIRE	2007	74.75
775	REBUCK, BERNICE	2007	240.20
346	SAVOIE, GARY / TINA	2007	229.04

Selectmen's Report

In 2007, the ferry service continued to provide the highlights of Island activities, with upgrades to the water system moving into a close second. The Town voters approved the Board of Island Trustees recommendation to continue the ferry fee structure. We are happy to report that, in spite of continuing high cost repairs to the gantries and the ferry haul-out (hopefully at an end for the foreseeable future), stiff cost management by John Crosby and the Town Manager resulted in the ferries making a profit again this year.

The ferry schedule for 2008 is now on line; this schedule essentially keeps the same hours as 2007. High season will be from June 20 to September 8. The first ferry will be on Friday, April 25 at 7:00 AM.

Initial work has started on upgrading the water distribution system (the pipes down the roads). An initial report by an outside consultant was presented at the October Town Meeting. Additional planning is needed but work could start in fall 2008. The Town voters approved, at the October Town Meeting, as part of the 2008 budget, expenditure of up to another \$70,000 to begin work on long term upgrades to the water system.

A new pump house was built with mostly volunteer island labor to replace the original pump house. The new inlets to the house are lower toward the lake and should provide better pumping capacity to the treatment facility. Additionally, a new 100KW backup generator was installed to provide electrical power for pumping town water, golf course water and two fire hydrants (for filling trucks) on the island.

At the latest report, the Town now has almost 500 completed homes. The Selectmen again revised Island permit fees to reflect the Town costs of implementation and enforcement.

Numerous improvements were added to the Golf Course, South Beach Marina and the Town Beaches. The entrance to South Beach Marina was dredged. The Town is seeking additional permit to raise and extend the rock jetty to reduce silting problems in the future. The Marina Committee asked for, and the Selectmen approved purchase of additional docks in the South Beach Marina to fill out the remaining available area in response to requests for more docking facilities. The Department of Public Works, under John Crosby, was able to improve and maintain the Island roads to their best condition ever. They also kept the water system in top condition despite the ever increasing demands due to Island growth and aging pipes in the distribution system.

Phil Perry was elected to serve as Selectman for one year to fill out the vacancy created when Jimmy Kuiken resigned. Mark Thomas was elected to serve as Selectman for a three year term to replace Brian Walker whose term had expired. Bruce Nisula was re-elected for a three year term to the Board of Island Trustees. Joe Potts was appointed Town Treasurer to replace Carl Hommel who had served for many years.

We would like to thank Wayne and all the town employees who worked very hard to provide the services that make life on Frye Island so wonderful. We would like to thank those who volunteer their time and talents to serve quietly on the many Boards and Committees that handle the Town business. We encourage all Frye Island residents to join us in a mutual effort to improve our Town. There are many available openings that have to be filled each year and, if you are interested in serving the Town of Frye Island, please make it known to one of the Selectmen or the Town Manager. Thank you for allowing us to serve you, looking forward to the Town's 10th anniversary and seeing all of you,

John Nun – First Selectman

Mark Thomas

Phil Perry

Code Enforcement Officer Report

Paul White: Code Enforcement Officer

For the year 2007:

There were 44 building permits issued. 6 were new dwellings, 12 were additions or renovations. 26 were various projects (decks, sheds, docks including 1 for a foundation only).

1 of the 44 permits was charged double the fee for not obtaining a permit prior to completion.

There were 30 plumbing permits issued. 8 were new subsurface waste water disposal systems, 1 was a replacement waste water disposal systems and 21 were internal plumbing permits.

There were 22 electrical permits issued. 11 were new dwellings, 8 were service upgrades and 3 were renovations.

There were 8 certificates of Occupancy issued.

There were 9 Permit by Rule permits issued by DEP, 7 were movement of rocks for navigation purposes, 1 was for shoreline stabilization, 1 Storm water.

Portland Water District visited the Island once a week for subsurface waste water disposal system inspections.

2007 Financial Summary

Exp / Rev Summary Report

01 General Government

2007 (Year End)

	Revenue		Over / Under	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Percent
1 Admin				
Tax Revenue	1,742,010.00	1,758,434.79	16,424.79	100.94
Non-Tax Revenue	211,631.00	269,163.51	57,535.51	94.50
Total Revenue - Admin	1,953,641.00	2,027,598.30	73,960.3	127.18
5 Public Works	62,600.00	43,107.85	-19,492.15	68.86
20 Recreation	400.00	1,193.40	793.40	298.35
Total Revenue	2,016,641.00	2,071,899.55	55,258.55	102.74
	Expenses		Over / Under	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Percent
1 Admin	409,501.00	407,550.86	1,950.14	99.52
5 Public Works				
General	217,933.00	211,993.00	5,939.45	97.27
Roads	40,500.00	49,573.72	-9,073.72	122.40
Water	140,215.00	124,373.97	15,841.03	88.70
Waste	44,099.00	44,930.23	-831.23	101.88
Total Expense - Public Works	442,747.00	430,871.47	11,875.53	97.32
15 Public Safety				
Police	39,011.00	35,088.04	3,922.96	89.94
Fire	32,133.00	52,133.00	-20,000.00*	162.24
Emergency	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00	0.00
Total Expense - Public Safety	77,144.00	87,221.04	-10,077.04	113.06
Recreation	37,207.00	29,201.49	8,005.51	78.48
*2 Additional payments owed to Fire Reserve				
Required Expenditures				
MSAD #6	879,549.00	862,005.42	17,543.58	98.01
Cumberland County	72,317.00	75,418.00	-3,101.00	104.29
Maine Municipal Bond Bank	30,566.00	30,600.52	-34.52	100.11
Total Expense – Req'd Expenditures	982,432.00	968,023.94	14,408.06	98.53
Total Expense - Gov't Fund	1,949,031.00	1,922,868.88	26,162.12	98.66

2007 Financial Summary (Cont'd)

Enterprise Fund

	Budget	Actual	Over / Under Budget	Percent
Ferry Operations				
Revenue	347,229.00	370,728.80	23,499.80	106.77
Expenses	327,055.00	268,055.01	58,999.99	81.96
Net Profit - Ferry Operations			82,499.79	
Ferry Reserve Revenue				
Ferry Reserve.	88,740.00	100,682.00	11,942.00	113.46
Heavy Equip. to Island Imp Reserve	31,500.00	28,032.00	-3,468.00	88.99
Golf Club				
Revenue	209,870.00	226,410.42	16,540.42	107.88
Expense	189,556.00	201,622.75	-12,066.75	106.37
Net Profit - Golf Operations		24,787.67		
Yacht Club				
Equity Revenue	15,500.00	16,485.00	985.00	106.35
Equity Expense	14,081.00	10,932.56	3,148.44	77.64
Net Profit - Equity		5,552.44		
Rental Revenue	62,040.00	64,250.00	2210.00	103.56
Rental Expense	29,349.00	23,816.60	5532.40	81.15
Net Profit - Rental		40,433.40		

The financial statement displayed above is an un-audited report and is subject to change during the audit. An audited copy will be made available to everyone that requests one following completion of the audit in June.

See You All Soon!!!

F.I.' S 10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

There will be a meeting of the Anniversary Celebration Committee on Monday, May 26 at 10 AM at the Community Center. All interested persons are invited.

For more information, call Pat Karpacz (207) 655-3339 or skarpacz@aol.com

Marina News:

The annual fees for the marina will remain the same as last year. They are as follows:

- Long Beach Marina – Equity \$225
- Long Beach Marina – Rental \$900
- Quail Circle – \$200

These fees must be received by the end of the business day on Thursday, May 31st. If you haven't paid your rental fee by this date you could forfeit your right to use the slip.

The Frye Island Marina Committee consists of nine elected Frye Island Yacht Club members who represent a cross section of the boating community at both the Long Beach Marina and Quail Circle Tie-up Facility. The Committee has been very active in recent years and plans to continue that effort. The Committee has public meetings throughout the season and the minutes of those meetings are available on the Town Website.

We have established some goals for the 2008 season which mainly consist of Boater Education and Safety.

When you register your boat or watercraft at the Town Office you will be given a boating safety pamphlet provided to us by the State of Maine, Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. Extra copies are available to those of you who register in other states. Please take the time to read this important document. Boating accidents and fatalities are on the rise and close to home, given the multiple fatalities on Long Lake last year.

If you choose to fuel your boat in either facility, **please exercise extreme caution.** This practice is extremely dangerous and a significant hazard to the environment, including water quality. There were several documented cases of significant spillage while fueling at the Long Beach Marina last year. Spill Kits are available at the marina in case of a large spill. If in doubt, call the Fire Dept. The Marina Committee strongly recommends against the practice of fueling at either marina.

Several slip holders are storing multiple watercrafts in the same slip. In doing so, the channel in between slips has become narrower, causing a navigation problem for boaters. The slips are designed for a maximum boat size of 24 feet. Total usable space must not exceed this limit.

In an effort to help alleviate this problem, we will be adding five PWC slips to the Long Beach Marina this year.

An additional ten boat slips will be added to the Long Beach Marina this year bringing the facility to full build-out. Islanders on the waiting list will receive first option at these slips in accordance with Yacht Club Policy.

In order to comply with FI Yacht Club Policy, all boats and watercraft are required to have proof of insurance and a current Frye Island boat sticker. Please have your proof of insurance available when you obtain your sticker or register your boat at the Office.

Five to eight channel markers are planned for installation at the Quail Circle Facility. We hope to have them placed by mid June depending on water levels.

The dredging project at the Long Beach Marina channel is nearly finished. Approximately 350 cubic yards of sand were removed from the channel. This should greatly improve navigating the channel when lower water levels are present. The Marina Committee and the Town are investigating potential long term solutions to the silting problem.

In closing, the Marina Committee would like to thank the Town Manager and the Board of Selectmen/Executive Committee for their support of our activities during the past year.

Frye Island Marina Committee

David Bond, Chairman

Steve Locke, Secretary

Tim McCarthy

Tim Toomey

Tony Kurgan

Jim Anderson

Carl Hommel

David Marcioneck

Mike Hurley



Ferry News

655-4258

Town of Frye Island Public Works & Ferry Service

First Ferry of the 2008 season is April 25th at 7 am

The Ferry Service is looking for reliable Deck Crew (mates) for the 2008 season, if interested please email John Crosby at <mailto:fidpw@fairpoint.net>, Must be a minimum of 18 years of age, The Town of Frye Island is a equal opportunity employer.

The Public Works Department, Cappy, and Two Ferry crew members worked until the end of December 2007, completing several jobs, including the new raw water pump house, replacing broken and rotted slipway planking on the island and mainland docks, replacing drainage culverts, and priming and painting the entire inside of the administration office. Because the ferry haul out was being repaired we were not able to paint the boats, but weather permitting, we hope to paint both boats this spring before opening, Klaus and Buddy managed to make several needed repairs in the engine room and on deck of the ferries.

Ken Thurston worked all winter, plowing snow, taking care of the trailer and finishing the painting of the office. Kenny was also appointed Town Constable and when the lake ice was thick enough he patrolled the entire island daily by snowmobile.

This season Ferry Service will institute new crew training, including safety, fire fighting, man overboard, GPS operation, radar operation, CPR, loss of steering, loss of engine power, anchor training and much more. Also the Ferry Service is preparing a draft of a new personnel/operating policy that we hope to present to the Selectman for their approval this spring. All of the above training classes are being prepared by our own Captains, as is the first draft of the personnel and operating policy.

I hope you all had a safe and healthy winter, see you on the island!

John Crosby

Director of Public Works and Ferry Service

Frye Island Incorporated

Frye Island Incorporated Report

With the transfer of golf and marina operations to the Town, the Frye Island Incorporated (FII) operations have become much simpler. The only remaining element is the management of the undeveloped real estate that FII owns. In 2007 there were no sales of property to private parties or transfer of property to the Town. There was one lot (1349 Birch Road) that completed the public portion of the Real Estate Policy and has been scheduled to be sold to private party in early July 2008.

One of the exciting things for FII in 2007 was the election of four new individuals to the FII Board of Directors: David Lowe, Jacquie Ossi, Nancy Donio, and Neill Bovaird. Ed Charrette and I were reelected to the Board.

The FII Stockholders meeting is scheduled for the Saturday morning of Labor Day weekend. Please mark this on your calendar so you can be a participant in a well run operation.

Joe Potts, President



Frye Island Golf Club

655-3551

Open to the Public

Fairway Lane

Course and Lounge Hours

Sunday: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday & Saturday: 9:00 AM - Midnight

Greens Fees

Weekend and Holidays: \$30.00

Weekday: \$20.00

Weekday Youth: \$10.00

Twilight (after 5 PM): \$13.00

3-day weekday pass: \$45.00

Week-long unlimited golf pass: \$110.00

Cart Rentals

Gas Cart:

9 Holes: \$16.00

18 Holes: \$26.00

Pull Cart:

9 or 18 Holes: \$4.00

Club Rentals: \$12.00

The clubhouse will open for the 2008 season on Friday, April 25th at 7:00 pm.

The clubhouse has an open position on Saturdays. This position consists of working the pro shop and lounge. Applicants must be at least 21 years old. Bartending experience helpful but not required, we will train. If interested respond by email to Laura Crosby <mailto:fidpw@fairpoint.net>.

See you on opening weekend.

Laura Crosby

Manager, Pro Shop & Lounge

2008 Tournament Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Tournament</u>
May 24	Ryder Cup
Jun 21-22	June Invitational (Outside Tournament)
July 5	Steak and Hot Dog
Jun-Aug	Club Championship
July 19	President's Cup
July 26	Night Golf
August 2	Rally for a Cure
August 16, 17	Member-Guest
August 25	MGCSA (Superintendents)
September 5-7	Sebago Lake Escape (Outside Tournament)
September 20	Shoot Out
October 11	TKE Fall Classic (Outside Tournament)
October 18	Cross Country

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS CURRENTLY NO ONE SIGNED UP TO RUN THE MEMBER/GUEST TOURNAMENT. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE LET LAURA OR SOMEONE ON THE GOLF COMMITTEE KNOW.

2008 Fee Schedule

The member rates are as follows:

- Single Membership \$575.00
- Family Membership \$860.00
- Trail Fee \$200.00
- Initiation Fee \$500.00

The full listing of fees are detailed in the winter minutes on line.

Review Golf Year 2006:

The Golf Committee met on February 9, 2008. The following is a portion of the discussions. The full minutes are available on line.

- Rebuilt entire 5th Tee.
- Commenced rebuilding 3rd and 9th Red Tees.
- Installed drainage 3rd Hole between pond and green.
- Cleared brush extensively
- Commenced building of Practice Area/Driving Range.
- Installed colored flag system for hole positions on greens.
- Purchased fairway mower
- Installed fence along water to the right of the cart path on 8.

Financials

Once again the course had a positive cash flow. Thank you employees, volunteers and donors.

Special Thank You

We are very fortunate to have dedicated employees and membership. So many contribute in so many ways! However, we would like to give a special thanks to Vic Solimini who sponsored a tee, paid for the band that performed at the Labor Day Dinner Dance and donated the use of his large backhoe and operator for improvements on the course. To Harry and Alison Zea for donating the labor, material and equipment necessary to begin the development of a driving range and practice area. To Willie Campbell for feeding us time and again at various social activities at both Leisure Lounge and the Community Center. And to Paul Lyons and his crew for the wonderful dinners they put on. In addition, we would like to thank Bob Miner for the new red, blue flags for the greens. And finally a special thanks to Bill Gately. Bill's retirement was the golf courses gain. Bill spent countless hours cleaning massive amounts of useless vegetation out of the woods.

Some Expenditures to be paid from Reserves in 2008:

- \$5,470 for the final payment for the new tractor;
- \$15,000 for new tees on Holes No. 1 and 7.

2008 Projects (in addition to the 1st and 7th tee rebuilding noted above):

- Refurbishing the Red Tees on Hole No. 3 and 9 will be completed
- Continuing work on the driving range and practice area.

Work Days

Work days have been scheduled for May 18, June 8, Sept 14 and Oct 12.

Ice Cream Socials

These popular events have been scheduled for May 24, July 4, and August 30.

New Tee Rating

We are going to add a fourth set of tees (Blue) that will provide an interesting challenge for those who prefer a less demanding track. We are asking the MGA to rate these new tees and re-rate the red tees on a unisex basis.

Yardage Booklet

We are continuing to develop a Yardage Booklet. We are waiting the re-rating of the tees before it is published.