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# ***Important Information***

## ***Town of Frye Island***

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Town Manager: Wayne Fournier

### **Office Hours**

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

### **Code Enforcement Officer**

John Thompson  
Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

## ***Fire, Medical, or Police Emergencies – Call 911***

### ***Non-emergencies***

Frye Island Police: (207-655-2600)  
**Police Chief:** Rod Beaulieu

Fire Department: 207-655-8618  
**Fire Chief:** Steve Persson

## ***Executive Committee***

Mark Thomas.....First Selectman  
Jim Kuiken ..... Selectman  
John Nun ..... Selectman  
Bruce Nisula.....Executive Committee - Chair  
Joe Potts  
David Bond  
Bob Sutherland

Joe Potts.....Municipal Treasurer

## ***Public Works Department***

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***

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# Town News

## Island Manager's Comments

Greetings Everyone,

Many of you may have heard of the mild winter in Maine this year. That will allow us to open the Island a week earlier than normal. Normal policy is to open the last Friday in April but because the Island escaped the worst of the winter weather we will open the Island on Friday April 23<sup>rd</sup>. The first ferry will run at 7:00 AM.

The Department, volunteer committee chairs, and municipal officials have all submitted reports for this news letter so I will not reiterate that information. However, I would like to mention a couple of points.

**Census:** Since we became a Town we have been plagued by the fact that the 2000 census sates our population as "0". We have been working with the regional census bureau and with Congresswoman Pingree's office to correct this and I think we may finally have some success thanks in large part to Congresswoman Pingree's office. In an E-mail I received recently from her office, I was told that the census would remain open on Frye Island until Memorial weekend so this year those of us that claim Frye Island as our primary residence will be counted.

**Re-Registrations:** I want to remind everyone again that you can re-register your boats, cars and trailers on line. Just log on to the Frye Island website, click on the link at On Line Registrations and follow the prompts. This provides an easy way for you to re-register your vehicles and boats from the comfort of your home. Please note, this is for re-registrations only, all new registrations must be done at the Town office or one of the regional motor vehicle offices.

On a more personal note, I would like to thank everyone for the very kind thoughts and cards that I received when my mother passed away.

I hope everyone had a safe and healthy winter and hopefully we all have a great Island season.

See you soon,

Wayne

Report from the committee developing an electronic ticketing system:

*Revised copy - 3/17/10 8pm*

One thing that we started working on last year, and hope to implement as soon as we can when the Island opens, is an electronic ferry ticketing system. This system is based on a bar coded ID card and/or a bar coded paper ticket. The intent is to make the purchase of ferry passage as easy as possible for all Islanders, by using their ID card at the ferry terminal, or by using a bar coded paper ticket. This will minimize the amount of cash transactions at the ferry terminal and will provide real time data on ferry usage to help the scheduling process. Our plan is to test the system during the first week, or so, after the Island opens, and then put the new system into operation for everyone around May 15<sup>th</sup>.

In addition to being able to buy discount paper tickets (with a bar code) in the Town office and being able to use cash at the ferry landing, some new options will be available. The following scenarios use the John Doe family as an example to describe the new system options:

- 1) An account can be established in the Town office. John Doe will complete an application form (copies of the form to be available on the FI website) and turn the form into the Town office with a check for \$150 or more to establish a balance in the account. He will be issued two things upon application:
  - a) **Account Number & Password.** This will allow the owner of the account, John Doe in this example, to view the account activity and current balance online. The Account Number & Password **should not be given to another individual.** It should be treated similar to an ID & Password you might currently have from your bank or credit card company.
  - b) **EZ-Ride ID Card.** This ID card is assigned to a single individual, John Doe in this example, and cannot be passed onto other people for use.
- 2) When John Doe arrives at the ferry landing, he shows the EZ-Ride ID Card to the ferry mate. The mate will scan the bar code on the card with a portable hand-held terminal, and enter the type of vehicle. A hand-held terminal will tell the ferry mate if there is sufficient balance in the account to cover the discounted ferry ride cost. If there is a sufficient balance, John Doe will be told he can board the ferry, and his account balance will be debited by the

amount of the discount fare. If there is an insufficient balance, John Doe will have to pay the non-discount cash price to board the ferry.

- 3) John Doe can authorize additional EZ-Ride ID Cards to be created for his account. These additional cards can be distributed to family members and/or friends. Remember, the EZ-Ride ID Card is assigned to a single individual and cannot be passed onto other people for use. When a person with one of the cards authorized by John Doe comes to the ferry landing, the process described in paragraph 2 above will be used. John Doe's account balance will be debited for the cost of the ferry transportation.
- 4) Using his account Number & Password (described in paragraph 1 above), John Doe can go online request a paper ferry ticket be created, with the cost of the ticket debited from his account balance. The online system will deliver to his personal computer a PDF file which can be used to print a paper ticket on his printer, or he can forward this PDF file to another person for use on the ferry.
- 5) It is recognized that many people currently have \$15 Ferry Tickets in their possession that were purchased last year. Those tickets do not have an imprinted bar code. The holder of those tickets will have the following options:
  - a) The old paper tickets can be taken into the Town office and be exchanged for bar coded paper tickets (additional cash may be required) or have the value of the tickets added to the balance of their EZ-Ride account. This is the recommended way to handle old ferry tickets.
  - b) If the old paper ticket has a **\$15 value**, the holder can use the ticket at the ferry landing for passage on the ferry up to the **July 15, 2010 cut-off date**. After the cut-off date, the holder will have to use the option described above in 5a to retain the value of the ticket.
  - c) As implemented in 2009, a ferry ticket with a value less than \$15 **cannot be used** for payment of ferry transportation at the mainland ferry landing. See 5a for retaining the value of the ticket.
- 6) The owner of an EZ-Ride account, John Doe in this example, can increase the balance in his account by stopping in the Town office with a payment, by mailing a check into the Town office or by authorizing the Town to automatically debit his checking account for an agreed to amount when the balance reaches an agreed to minimum value.

We plan to start setting up the new accounts as soon as we can get the Island opened and the office established in the Administration building on the Island. A note will be placed on the FI website when account applications are available. As we progress through the testing and start-up process, everyone will be kept informed of our progress via the FI web site.

| Town Clerks Report                                     |                |           |      |
|--|----------------|-----------|------|
| Town Clerk   | Wayne Fournier |           |      |
| Deputy Town Clerk                                      | Lisa Kerrigan  |           |      |
| The Town Clerk reports the following activity for 2009 |                |           |      |
| Activity   | Number         |           |      |
|  | 2007           | 2008..... | 2009 |
| Excise Tax Only  | 1              | 1.....    | 0    |
| Passenger Cars registered                              | 30             | 45.....   | 38   |
| Island Use Vehicles                                    | 240            | 242       | 257  |
| Trailer Registrations                                  | 35             | 50        | 33   |
| Moped Registrations                                    | 3              | 1         | 0    |
| Motorcycle Registrations                               | 1              | 1         | 0    |
| Motor Home Registrations                               | 1              | 1         | 0    |
| Titles   | 7              | 7         | 5    |
| Fishing Licenses                                       | 92             | 75        | 71   |
| Boat Registrations                                     | 300            | 272       | 271  |
| Non-Resident Milfoil Stickers                          | 118            | 117       | 115  |
| ATV Registrations                                      | 5              | 5         | 7    |
| Marriage Licenses                                      | 0              | 1         | 0    |
| Death Certificates                                     | 0              | 2         | 0    |
| Dog Licenses   | 0.....         | 1         | 1    |
| Motor Vehicles on line                                 |                |           | 13   |
| Boats on line  |                |           | 23   |

| Registrar of Voters Report   |                |
|--|----------------|
| Registrar of Voters  | Wayne Fournier |
| Deputy Registrar of Voters   | Lisa Kerrigan  |
| The Town of Frye Island currently has 101 registered voters enrolled as follows: |                |
|  |                |
| Democrat   | 18             |
| Green  | 12             |
| Republican   | 30             |
| Unenrolled   | 41             |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>101</b>     |

## Tax Collectors Report

Tax Collector – Wayne Fournier, Deputy Tax Collector – Calvin Nutting

### Outstanding Taxes

| Acct | Property Owner                       | Year | Map Lot | Property Tax Due | Payment Received | Adjustments | Balance Due |                    |
|------|--------------------------------------|------|---------|------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|
| 365  | ANTIGNANI, STEPHEN R.                | 2008 | 0909-60 | 187.64           | 154.12           | 0.00        | 33.52       |                    |
| 365  | ANTIGNANI, STEPHEN R.                | 2009 | 0909-60 | 373.89           | 0.00             | 0.00        | 373.89      |                    |
| 226  | BELL, DENISE B.                      | 2009 | 0298-62 | 6,633.33         | 1,380.52         | 0.00        | 5,252.81    |                    |
| 134  | BRAUN, WILLIAM / ELENOR              | 2009 | 0160-60 | 6,573.43         | 0.00             | 0.00        | 6,573.43    |                    |
| 320  | BRISTOL, SALLY A.                    | 2007 | 0821-60 | 1,471.82         | 0.00             | 21.21       | 1,493.03    | *Paid (02/05/2010) |
| 320  | BRISTOL, SALLY A.                    | 2008 | 0821-60 | 2,754.35         | 0.00             | 0.00        | 2,754.35    |                    |
| 320  | BRISTOL, SALLY A.                    | 2009 | 0821-60 | 3,072.65         | 0.00             | 0.00        | 3,072.65    |                    |
| 48   | BRUMAGHIM, NEAL D.& BRIANA J.        | 2009 | 0054-60 | 2,271.47         | 0.00             | 0.00        | 2,271.47    |                    |
| 311  | BUXTON, RICHARD / NANCY              | 2008 | 0806-60 | 329.88           | 294.39           | 0.00        | 35.49       |                    |
| 311  | BUXTON, RICHARD / NANCY              | 2009 | 0806-60 | 367.40           | 0.00             | 0.00        | 367.40      |                    |
| 116  | CORTHELL, JAMES GOODMAN, JEAN        | 2009 | 0142-60 | 460.17           | 424.26           | 0.00        | 35.91       |                    |
| 345  | HAFEY, HEIDI MOSES                   | 2009 | 0878-60 | 44.00            | 0.00             | 0.00        | 44.00       |                    |
| 595  | HUNT, ROBERT A. & MARY C./HUNT REA   | 2009 | 1620-62 | 46.59            | 0.00             | 0.00        | 46.59       |                    |
| 152  | KANE, CATHERINE D. TRUSTEE           | 2009 | 0205-60 | 4,391.39         | 0.00             | 0.00        | 4,391.39    |                    |
| 616  | LENEHAN, GARY / JANICE               | 2009 | 1641-61 | 48.13            | 0.00             | 0.00        | 48.13       |                    |
| 38   | LICHTENBERGER, FRANCIS & MARJORIE E  | 2009 | 0044-60 | 45.32            | 0.00             | 0.00        | 45.32       |                    |
| 141  | MEAD, ANDREW & DEIDRE                | 2009 | 0168-60 | 324.46           | 0.00             | 0.00        | 324.46      |                    |
| 741  | MESSERVEY, AMBROSE H                 | 2008 | 1890-60 | 4,199.72         | 2,537.63         | 0.00        | 1,662.09    |                    |
| 741  | MESSERVEY, AMBROSE H                 | 2009 | 1890-60 | 4,685.39         | 0.00             | 0.00        | 4,685.39    |                    |
| 704  | MOSES, JAMES P.                      | 2008 | 1816-62 | 345.41           | 0.00             | 0.00        | 345.41      |                    |
| 704  | MOSES, JAMES P.                      | 2009 | 1816-62 | 384.74           | 0.00             | 0.00        | 384.74      |                    |
| 689  | PARASILITI, CLAIRE                   | 2007 | 1786-62 | 74.75            | 55.90            | 21.21       | 40.06       |                    |
| 689  | PARASILITI, CLAIRE                   | 2008 | 1786-62 | 88.98            | 0.00             | 0.00        | 88.98       |                    |
| 689  | PARASILITI, CLAIRE                   | 2009 | 1786-62 | 56.11            | 0.00             | 0.00        | 56.11       |                    |
| 711  | PORT HARBOR REALTY LLC               | 2009 | 1833-61 | 214.37           | 0.00             | 0.00        | 214.37      |                    |
| 281  | RICHARD, PAUL B                      | 2008 | 0379-62 | 2,837.89         | 2,815.37         | 0.00        | 22.52       |                    |
| 281  | RICHARD, PAUL B                      | 2009 | 0379-62 | 3,165.86         | 0.00             | 0.00        | 3,165.86    |                    |
| 169  | TOOMEY, TIMOTHY A                    | 2009 | 0225-61 | 46.82            | 0.00             | 0.00        | 46.82       | (paid 01/04/2010)  |
| 299  | TREACY, LOIS E. TTEE & BEDELL ERIC N | 2009 | 0501-60 | 825.77           | 0.00             | 0.00        | 825.77      |                    |
| 602  | TSOPANIDES, RENA                     | 2008 | 1627-62 | 2,524.34         | 1,249.34         | 0.00        | 1,275.00    |                    |
| 602  | TSOPANIDES, RENA                     | 2009 | 1627-62 | 2,858.05         | 0.00             | 0.00        | 2,858.05    |                    |
| 332  | VEINOT, JAN ELLEN                    | 2009 | 0856-60 | 65.95            | 0.00             | 0.00        | 65.95       |                    |
| 738  | YULE, LANCE S.                       | 2008 | 1887-60 | 548.10           | 0.00             | 0.00        | 548.10      |                    |
| 645  | YULE, LANCE S.                       | 2008 | 1697-60 | 142.24           | 0.00             | 0.00        | 142.24      |                    |
| 738  | YULE, LANCE S.                       | 2009 | 1887-60 | 1,214.96         | 0.00             | 0.00        | 1,214.96    |                    |
| 645  | YULE, LANCE S.                       | 2009 | 1697-60 | 282.86           | 0.00             | 0.00        | 282.86      |                    |
| 524  | ZEA, ALISON                          | 2009 | 1305-62 | 2,727.98         | 0.00             | 0.00        | 2,727.98    |                    |

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## Selectmen's Report

2009 was a good year on the island in spite of a long, cool, wet spring. Summer never really came until late July. On the positive side, the golf course ate up the rain and looked better than it ever has. Bob & Jean's business at the Frye's Leap got off to a slow start, due in part to the current state of the economy and the weather did not help. They said that it was not a bad year in spite of the slow start. The same conditions also caused a decrease in receipts for the Golf Course, which still ended up in the black. And, finally, marina rentals were off some, but again operations were well into the black.

The Community Center got a new roof and the floor in the recreation room was repaired and recovered – our thanks to Mike Vesprini for providing the new flooring. We completed Phase II of the water distribution system line replacement. New lines were installed on Independence, White Way, Sunset, and a portion of the way from Independence down Ridge Road. Those lines will be connected prior to island opening in spring of 2010. The overall project is running well ahead of schedule and under cost due in part to work sharing by the DPW, a few dedicated volunteers, and in large part to outstanding work provided by Jeff Snow. In addition, we have been encountering less rock than expected.

John Crosby and the ferry crews worked hard maintaining the ferries and service was uninterrupted for all but a short period when one propeller failed. Ferry revenues were off but serious maintenance costs were held to a minimum and the operation stayed in the black for the year. A big pat on the back for Wayne on down to the lowest part-time worker for a job well done. We let a contract in 2009 for an electronic ticketing system and this should go on line in spring 2010. This should support ferry administration and accounting and, hopefully, make life easier for the riders. Finally, this winter, the engines and transmissions on the Ellie Corliss were replaced (the old ones were well over 20 years old).

The Town passed the 2009 audit with flying colors. There are a few minor cleanup activities to bring the books to closure and the auditors are in full agreement with Treasurer Joe Potts.

The Town voters approved a budget for 2010 that essentially holds the line on Town operating costs with the exception of Fire/Safety activities which were significantly increased to provide more services and better protection. Costs for emergency response services from Raymond have increased significantly. We increased police presence to 7 nights a week during the high season and added some police presence during the winter. We also added a police operating and equipment reserve fund. In 2009, we traded the police car and snowmobile and purchased a used air boat for use over thin/broken ice.

John Nun was re-elected to serve as Selectman for a second three year term. Bob Sutherland was elected to the Board of Island Trustees for three years to replace Bob Miner, whose term had expired. Mark Thomas was elected to serve as First Selectman.

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 also like to thank those who volunteer their time and talents to serve quietly on the many Boards and Committees and Island projects. We encourage all Frye Island residents to join us in a mutual effort to improve our Town (and hold costs down in the process). 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 seeing all of you this next spring,

Mark Thomas – First Selectman  
Jimmy Kuiken  
John Nun

## Treasurer's Report

Before a financial description of year 2009 is provided, let me give an update to the 2008 financial results. At the October 2008 Town Meeting, the Voters authorized taking up to \$40,000 from the Unreserved Undesignated Fund Balance to cover the forecasted 2008 annual loss. The overrun was due to the school (SAD6) and county expenses in the last six months of the fiscal year being significantly higher than budgeted. When the formal audit analysis was completed for 2008, the actual 2008 loss was \$15,903. Thanks goes to our Town Manager Wayne Fournier and Public Works Director John Crosby for holding other expenses down so the year end loss was lower than expected.

The information in Table 1 summarizes the Revenue & Expenses of the Town for 2009. It was a good year for the Town Operations, ending with a \$73,072 profit. The profit, shown as YTD Net Income in Table 1, is deposited into the Unreserved Undesignated Fund Balance for the Town.

**Table 1. Town Operations – Revenue & Expense**

| <b>Department</b>  | <b>YTD<br/>Actual</b> | <b>YTD<br/>Budget</b> | <b>Difference<br/>to Budget</b> |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Town Operations</b>                                     |                       |                       |                                 |
| <b>01 - General Government</b>                             |                       |                       |                                 |
| Revenue  | 2,284,638             | 2,273,422             | 11,216                          |
| Expenses   | 319,492               | 369,177               | 49,685                          |
| <b>05 - Public Works (includes Water, Roads and Trash)</b> |                       |                       |                                 |
| Revenue  | 26,823                | 21,083                | 5,740                           |
| Expenses   | 420,958               | 444,757               | 23,799                          |
| <b>15 - Public Safety Expense</b>                          |                       |                       |                                 |
| Police Dept  | 55,304                | 55,495                | 191                             |
| Fire Dept  | 36,150                | 36,150                | 0                               |
| Emergency  | 36,209                | 6,500                 | (29,709)                        |
| <b>20 - Recreation</b>                                     |                       |                       |                                 |
| Revenue  | 1,210                 | 3,300                 | (2,090)                         |
| Expenses   | 31,931                | 35,894                | 3,963                           |
| <b>40 - Non-Municipal Expenses</b>                         |                       |                       |                                 |
| SAD6 School  | 1,215,906             | 1,215,906             | 0                               |
| County   | 93,049                | 102,463               | 9,414                           |
| Water Bond   | 30,601                | 30,601                | 0                               |
| YTD Expenses   | 2,239,599             | 2,296,942             | 57,343                          |
| YTD Net Income   | 73,072                | 863                   | 72,210                          |

The information in Table 2 summarizes the Revenue & Expenses for the Enterprise Operations of the Town. All of the Enterprise Operations ended 2009 making a profit. The profit, shown as YTD Net Income in Table 2, is deposited in the respective Operations Reserve Fund for that operation.

**Table 2. Enterprise Operations – Revenue & Expense**

| <b>Department</b>                                       | <b>YTD<br/>Actual</b> | <b>YTD<br/>Budget</b> | <b>Difference<br/>to Budget</b> |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Enterprise Operations</b>                            |                       |                       |                                 |
| <b>71-1 - Frye Island Ferry Operations</b>              |                       |                       |                                 |
| Revenue   | 333,185               | 357,426               | (24,241)                        |
| Expenses  | 315,288               | 348,989               | 33,701                          |
| YTD Net Income  | 17,897                | 8,437                 | 9,460                           |
| <b>73 - Frye Island Golf Club</b>                       |                       |                       |                                 |
| Revenue   | 207,399               | 212,368               | (4,969)                         |
| Expenses  | 193,750               | 205,631               | 11,881                          |
| YTD Net Income  | 13,649                | 6,737                 | 6,912                           |
| <b>83-2 - Frye Island Yacht Club - Equity Operation</b> |                       |                       |                                 |
| Revenue   | 16,160                | 15,550                | 610                             |
| Expenses  | 13,184                | 15,065                | 1,881                           |
| YTD Net Income  | 2,976                 | 485                   | 2,491                           |
| <b>83-4 - Frye Island Yacht Club - Rental Operation</b> |                       |                       |                                 |
| Revenue   | 63,000                | 73,410                | (10,410)                        |
| Expenses  | 22,792                | 31,050                | 8,258                           |
| YTD Net Income  | 40,208                | 42,360                | (2,152)                         |

The Town continues to follow good fiscal management by regularly placing money into Reserve Funds to cover major expenses in the future. This reduces the overall cost of operation of the Town by eliminating the expense of borrowing money. The information in Table 3 details the amount in each reserve fund:

**Table 3. Town Reserve Funds – Year End 2009**

| Reserve Fund Name                         | Posted              |
|---|---------------------|
| <b>1 - General</b>                        |                     |
| 300-10 Capital Funds Reserve              | 39,789.00           |
| 300-20 Water Reserve                      | 17,901.13           |
| 300-40 Recreation Reserve                 | 4,926.26            |
| 300-50 Equipment Reserve                  | 5,629.79            |
| 300-60 Public Safety Reserve              |                     |
| Fire Department Partition                 | 60,170.38           |
| Police Department Partition               | 3,613.62            |
| 300-64 Fire Department Operations Reserve | 3,498.62            |
| 300-70 Island Improvement Reserve         | 333,339.40          |
| 300-80 Revaluation Reserve                | 2,313.58            |
| 300-85 School Operations Reserve          | 45,390.37           |
| Unreserved Undesignated Fund Balance      | 324,863.69          |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>841,435.84</b>   |
| <b>3 - Enterprise</b>                     |                     |
| 300-03 Golf Operations Reserve            | 73,670.34           |
| 300-04 Golf Equipment Reserve             | 14,785.65           |
| 300-06 Yacht Club Equity Reserve          | 36,593.14           |
| 300-12 Ferry Capital Reserve              | 286,400.18          |
| 300-13 Ferry Operations Reserve           | 123,339.17          |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>534,788.48</b>   |
| <b>Grand Total</b>                        | <b>1,376,224.32</b> |

The Reserve Fund monies are held in FDIC insured CDs with maturity periods varying from one to four years. All of the interest earned is credited back into the Reserve Fund accounts.

In an effort of full disclosure, the Town financial information is available on the Frye Island website. From the menu system on the homepage, select “Documents”, then “Town Documents” and then “Financial Information” to see the webpage summarizing the available financial information. All of the 2009 figures provided above are subject to the formal audit of 2009 which will begin when the Island opens this spring.

Joseph Potts, Town Treasurer

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## **Frye Island Police Department**

To say the least the winter of 2010 has been a strange one. After enjoying complete ice coverage last winter, the Frye Island Police found we were unable to cross the lake for much of this winter due to a lack of ice. The winter season started out normal with typical snow amounts and forming of ice along the shore. Unfortunately, soon after winter began we found ourselves heading towards the mid winter break with less snow and ice than we had just a month earlier. This created much disappointment with your police department as we were anxious to get onto the island and fulfill our commitment. During mid February we were finally able to get to the island by walking across the recently frozen lake. This would be our first visit to the island since early January. The good news, no one else appeared to have been to the island other than Frye Island Police and the Winter Watch people.

During the police visits up to early January and then beginning again in early February we randomly checked homes in various neighborhoods finding all homes to be secure and free from weather damage. As you know we experienced severe weather during the last week of February. I received several inquiries about island damage and damage to homes. I went to the island soon after the storm to take a look around only to find minimal damage to roads and infrastructure. I felt a more thorough inspection of the island was needed, so during the weekend of March 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> every home on the island was checked by the police department. The home inspections were limited to signs of forcible entry and obvious storm damage. In a few instances we found wires and trees down. Affected property owners were called or emailed with a description of their situation.

The lake from Raymond Cape to the Island is ice free making travel to the island for the first time since early January obtainable by boat. The police department is routinely on the island checking town infrastructure and homes. If any problems should occur, the police will call or email property owners advising them of their situation.

As for the 2009 winter burglaries of the island, I am pleased to report that three subjects were arrested or charged with their involvement. The main suspect, Patrick Dyer, is now serving his sentence within the Maine Department of Corrections in Warren. A letter I wrote to the burglary victims has been placed on the Town's web site. I have also attached the Police statistics for 2009.

## **Calls for Service 2009**

| <u>Call Type</u>                | <u># of Incidents</u> | <u>Status</u>         |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Burglary                        | 59                    | All cleared by arrest |
| Theft                           | 11                    | 7 Cleared by arrest   |
| Theft by Receiving Stolen Prop. | 2                     | All cleared by arrest |
| Recovered Property              | 4                     | Reports               |
| Criminal Trespass               | 1                     | Report                |
| Criminal Mischief               | 7                     | Reports               |
| Suspicious Activity             | 10                    |                       |
| Prowler                         | 3                     | Reports               |
| Harassment                      | 3                     | Reports               |
| Criminal Threatening            | 2                     | Reports               |
| Disturbance                     | 6                     |                       |
| Drug Activity                   | 2                     |                       |
| Citizen Assist                  | 33                    |                       |
| Agency Assist                   | 12                    |                       |
| Alarm Responses                 | 9                     |                       |
| Traffic Offences                | 11                    |                       |
| M/V Accident, Prop. Damage      | 3                     | Reports               |
| M/V Accident, Personal Injury   | 1                     | Report                |
| M/V Lockout                     | 3                     |                       |
| Parking Complaint               | 1                     |                       |
| Abandoned M/V                   | 2                     |                       |
| Animal Problem                  | 9                     |                       |
| Littering                       | 2                     |                       |
| <b><u>Total:</u></b>            | <b><u>196</u></b>     |                       |

Respectfully,  
Rod Beaulieu  
Chief of Police

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## **Marina News Winter 2010**

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 continues to be active 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.

This year we plan to continue our weekly publishing of safe boating tips in the weekly FINS. We received some positive feedback from this practice and we hope that the tips are helpful and useful to the boating community here on the island. Boater safety and education is a high priority for us.

For informational purposes only, boaters who use either of the marinas for the entire season should be made aware that if your boat or watercraft is moored or docked in Maine for more than 60 consecutive days, by law, it should be registered in Maine. Reciprocity from other states only applies for less than 60 days.

If you choose to fuel your boat in either the Quail Circle Tie-up or Long Beach Marina, **please exercise extreme caution.** This practice is extremely dangerous and poses a significant hazard to the environment, including water quality. Spill Kits are available at both facilities in case of a large spill. If in doubt, call the Fire Department. The Marina Committee strongly recommends against the practice of fueling at either marina.

Several slip holders continue to store multiple watercraft in the same slip. In doing so, the channel in between slips has become more narrow, 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. PWC slips are available for a reduced fee in an effort to help alleviate this problem.

The Long Beach Marina has reached full build-out. In 2009, we were able to satisfy all of the requests on the boat slip waiting list. There is still an active list with some members choosing to defer for a year or so. If you wish to have a slip assigned, you must contact the Town Office to have your name placed on the list. Slips are assigned in accordance with Yacht Club Policy.

In order to comply with the Frye Island 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.

During late 2008 and all of 2009, the Marina Committee did a comprehensive study of existing and possible future vehicle parking at the Long Beach Marina. We investigated and considered several areas for potential expansion/overflow during peak times of demand. We met with representatives of the Conservation Commission to solicit their input as well. The eventual outcome was a redefining of the existing parking spaces and a small expansion area of parking on Leisure Lane immediately adjacent to the existing trailer and vehicle parking area. Look for new signage clearly defining the existing areas and new restrictions to be in place by late spring.

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

Rich Kaplan

David Marcioneck

Mike Hurley



# Ferry News

655-4258

## Town of Frye Island Ferry Service

Most of your ferry crew will be returning for the 2010 season, and we look forward to a safe and efficient year.

Hopefully our new E-ticket system will be up and running sometime early this season. Watch for details in the FINS and on the Town Web site.

We are in the process of installing new engines in the Ellie Corliss ferry. The installation will be completed for the 2010 season.

The old ferry engines are for sale to the highest responsible bidder. For more bid information, go to the Frye Island Web site.

Pictures below submitted by Cappy.

## Ferry Tips

Please remember to write your name and lot number on your tickets. As soon as possible, turn in all of your previously purchased “old” ferry tickets at the Town office for credit toward the new E-tickets. At a yet to be determined date, the Ferry Trailer will only be accepting the new E-tickets.

The approved ferry schedule is now on line. When traveling to and from the island, please consult the schedule first. Don’t like ferry-waiting lines? Consult the schedule and travel in “off peak” times, or when two boats are scheduled.

Remember, if a second boat is NOT scheduled and there is a backup, the Town does NOT automatically start up a second boat. Only when approval has been given, and an extra crew can be arranged, will a second boat start up.

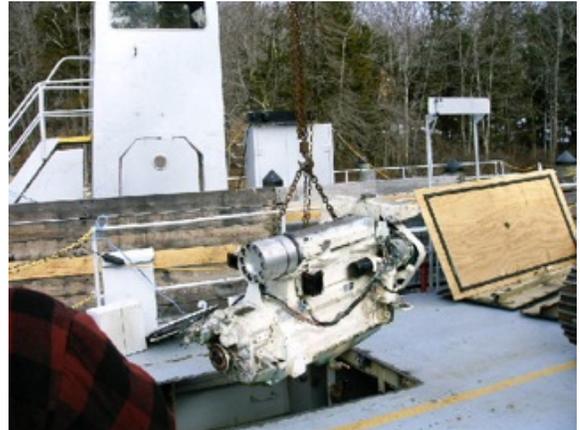
Have a safe and happy 2010 season!

John Crosby, Director of Public Works and Ferry Service

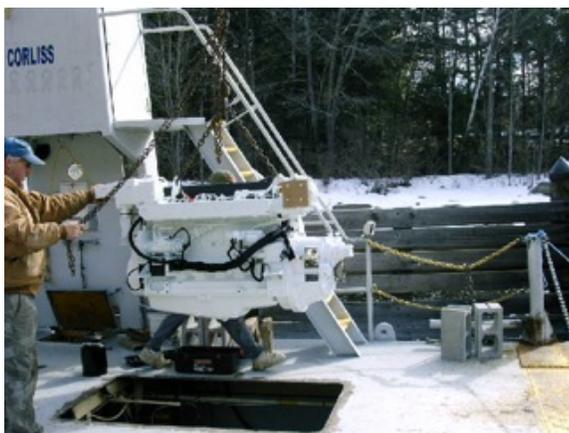
Ronnie Ilich, Administrative Clerk, Frye Island Ferry Service



Islander (welder) John Wetson



Old Ferry Engine



New Ferry Engine



Old Ferry Engine Replacements

# Public Works Department

## FRYE ISLAND PUBLIC WORKS

### Roads, Solid Waste, Drinking Water, Building Maintenance, Ferries

Last season your Public Works Crew installed new 4" water lines on Independence Way, Sunset Road and White Way. New 3" waterline was installed on Ridge Road from the intersection of White Way to just beyond Leap View Circle. After island closing all old cottage connections and street connections were swapped over to the new lines. Ready, for spring, flushing and disinfecting.

The Town of Raymond has for the past two years given the Public Works Department fill from cleaning out the road drainage along the Cape Road. We stored this fill in our pit on Quarry Road and then hauled it to our island pit. Jeff Snow brought us a screener, which we used to screen this material. We used this material as backfill for our new waterlines after bedding the pipes in sand.

Also after closing, the Transfer Station was cleaned up, leveled and enlarged. The fire road to South Beach Road was cleared and is now passable.

Ferry breakdowns, emergency repairs and preventive maintenance are done mostly by Public Works crew members, the few times we were needed; repairs were done in a timely manner and the ferries were back on line quickly. Employee Eric Berube is responsible for many of these repairs and all of the required preventive maintenance, including the 250 and 500 hour oil and filter changes.

During the season after the Gantry counterweight cable broke, and after consulting with our engineer, the Public Works Crew and island volunteers changed all of the cables on both gantries. Cable life was supposed to be six to eight years; the cable that broke was only 3 1/2 years old. As a result of this cable fatigue failure, we are now doubling our inspections of the gantry cables.

During the season we also (with the help of Diver Down Company), replaced the foot valve on our six inch raw water intake pipe at the lake bottom. The Public Works Department made up the new valve, piping and support frame which was installed by the Divers. The Divers also inspected and video taped the undersides of both gantries

After the Island closed, Dock World of Maine and owner Del Wescott donated an additional floating dock and a gangway to the Town, for the Public Works work boat and Ferry Crew emergency boat. This will be a

wonderful addition, as access to the boat was very treacherous, especially at night during an emergency. Please consider this friend of Frye Island when you need dock or barge work, Del can be reached at 207-892-5500

I can't thank them enough,.. our employees and our crew of "volunteers" for their hard work this last season. (They make my job so much easier.)

Employees; Rich Purtell, Eric Berube, Bob Houde, Harry Holgersen, Steve Kaplan, Christopher Roy

Volunteers: Cappy, Commodore Dave Bond, Bob Sutherland, Ernie Wrzesinsky, John Nun, Steve Amero, Eileen Sullivan, Ken Gardner, Todd Voltz

Honorable mention: To Cabana Boy, Steve Kaplan, who has volunteered and taken care of the swimming pool for the last two seasons, at no charge to the town.

Joining our Town employee crew this coming season will be Jeff Snow. Jeff a former Town employee will be working this season for the Town. With his knowledge and expertise, Jeff will be a welcome addition to the Public Works Department and our town.

## 2010 SEASON

Installation of new water lines will continue in late May. Work this season will be on Ridge Road, starting just beyond Leap View Circle. The new piping will be installed on the lake side of the street, and on the town-owned land between the property stakes and the edge of Ridge Road. Wherever possible, the Public Works crew will avoid decorative plantings, stonewalls and fences, however, it will be the owner's responsibility to remove any or all of these obstructions. When practical, the Public Works Crew will try and work around any of these obstructions that have been left in place; however, we will remove them if necessary to install the new water lines. Your cooperation and assistance will be greatly appreciated. The Town of Frye Island will not be responsible for any damage to property of others caused by the removal of any obstruction due to the installation of the new water line(s).



# 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 (16 or younger): \$10.00  
Weekend Youth (16 or younger): \$20.00  
Weekday Twilight (after 5 PM): \$13.00  
Weekend Twilight (after 5 PM): \$15.00  
3-day weekday pass: \$45.00  
Week-long unlimited golf pass: \$115.00  
Scramble Fee (e.g. 9 holes Sunday AM): \$15

## 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 winter golf meeting was held on January 30 at Bob Thurston's house. The more detailed minutes of the meeting are available on our Web page.

### 2010 FEE SCHEDULE

- As you may recall, last year we froze all fees at the 2008 rates. As the economy remains slow, we limited increases in fees to the following:
  - Individual Membership \* \$590
  - Family Membership \* \$875
  - Seasonal Trail Fee \$205
  - Week-Long Unlimited Golf Pass \$115
- Additionally, we added the following reduced fees for the use of private golf carts that do not have an annual trail pass (Until now they had to pay the same rent as if renting the cart from the Golf Course)
  - Private golf cart without trail pass - 18 holes - \$20
  - Private golf cart without trail pass - 9 holes - \$10
  - \*\$25 Discount for Memberships paid prior to May 15.

### 2009 Golf Course Financials

- Despite the bad weather in the spring and the slow economy, the course operated at a positive cash flow.

### TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

| Date              | Tournament Name               | Organizer(s)            |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| May 29            | Memorial Day Ryder Cup        | Mark Thomas             |
| June 18           | GE Tournament                 | Tom Bishop              |
| June 26 – June 27 | June Invitational             | John Kett               |
| July 1 – Sept 6   | Club Championship             | Bruce Nisula            |
| July 3            | Steak and Hot Dog             | John Kett, Bob Thurston |
| July 16           | July Hooligan Tournament      | Jim/John Hodge          |
| July 24           | Full Moon Classic Member Only | Bob Thurston            |

|                 |                               |                             |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| August 7-8      | Member-Guest                  | Jim Hodge                   |
| August 21       | Night Golf                    | John Kett/Mike Hurley       |
| August 28       | President's Cup               | Vic Solomini/Laura Davis    |
| September 11-12 | Sebago Lake Great Escape      | Mark Thomas                 |
| September 18    | Shoot-Out                     | Mike Hurley                 |
| September 25    | TKE Fall Classic              | Jim/John Hodge              |
| October 2       | Cross-Country                 | Tom Canty                   |
| TBD             | Recreation Center Fund Raiser | Tom Bishop                  |
| TBD             | Junior Championship           | Paul Lyons/Ron Vallaincourt |

#### SUE's KITCHEN

- The building shell was completed in 2009.
- Construction will continue (and should be completed) in 2010.
- A sign/plaque will be provided to recognize those that donated \$300 or more.

#### 2009 COURSE ISSUES

- Drainage on the 2<sup>nd</sup> hole has been completed; future plans to shift the cart path on this hole to the left-hand side of the fairway (adjacent to the woods) may be a future consideration.
- Tees on 4 and 6 were determined to be the next priority; however, work will probably not begin until at least 2011.
- Refurbishing cart paths – estimated cost = \$2,000 per path. Depending on 2010 financials, we will potentially refurbish the cart path on 1 in the Fall. In following years we will continue to refurbish cart paths as finances allow.
- As the golf cart “fleet” is getting old, in 2010 we will purchase 3 late model golf carts and sell one of our older carts. Our future strategy is to purchase 1 late model used cart and sell 1 existing cart each year. In that manner the “fleet” will never get too old.

#### WORKDAYS

- We are tentatively planning one work day on June 6 directly following the Sunday Scramble. The rain date shall be June 13. If necessary, a second workday will be held on September 19.

#### ICE CREAM SOCIALS

- Ice Cream Socials are scheduled for May 29, July 4 and September 4.

#### E-MAIL ADDRESSES

- We want to be able to communicate with the membership. When you pay your dues, please make sure Laura has your updated e-mail address.

#### MEETING DATES

- Immediately following Sunday Scrambles on the following dates:  
 May 9                  Jun 13                  Jul 11                  Aug 15  
 Sep 12 (combined with Annual Meeting)                  October 11