

MINUTES, PLANTATION INQUIRY COMMITTEE

AUGUST 29, 2015

Present: Ed Charrette, Jim Frederick, Jacquie Ossi, Nancy Perry, Roger Stenz, Frank and Becky Limauro, John Schutz, Mary Frances Short, Patricia Karpacz

Short History of Frye Island - Standish gave F.I. a tax rebate when the island was run by the MSC which had the legal right to levy taxes in addition to whatever Standish requested . This stopped around 1992 or 1993.

Frye Is. Inc., owns all the roads and beaches and the Community Center. It sold the self- supporting Ferry System, Golf Course and Marinas to the Town recently.

A question was posed about what the “Memo of Understanding” really meant about our obligation to Standish and not SAD6 and to what “pro rata” referred.

There was a question about whether SAD6 was entitled to vote on any completed negotiation. Another question was “Can a Municipal Serv.C orp.not pay taxes ?”

Pat had forwarded a list from Roger of the 40 Plantations in Maine including nearby Monhegan Is., Matinicus Is. and Lincoln in Oxford County; and a Wikipedia article on Plantations in Maine..

Going forward

Roger and Jim will visit Monhegan Island and speak with the Assessors who administer the Plantation in lieu of Selectmen.

Jacquie will investigate Cary, the latest Plantation in Maine.

Nancy will search who administers Plantations for the State.

Ed will check into other non-profits in F.I. history. Pat will contact Betsy G.

No one was willing to Chair this committee. Pat will act as secretary.

Next meeting : Thursday, Sept.10 at 3 PM in the CC Library.