

**New Shoreham Deer Task Force
Tuesday, December 22, 2009
Town Hall, Old Town Road
7:30 p.m.**

Present: Chair Mary Sue Record, Rebecca Ballard, Christopher Blane, Christopher Blansfield, Paul Deane, Maggie Komosinski. Absent were George Mellor, Patricia Doyle and William Wilson. Fiona Fitzpatrick was present to take the minutes of the meeting.

Chair Mary Sue called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

1. Use of the Transfer Station to process and remove deer remains

A free, convenient system to dispose of deer entrails and remains will benefit hunters and landowners, and promote reduction of the deer herd. The Block Island Residents Association has agreed to pay tipping fees for the hunters.

Ms. Ballard reported she met with BIRM principal Sean McGarry on December 12. Mr. McGarry said the Transfer Station is staffed daily, even when it is not open. Hunters may come any day between 9:00 and 3:00. Mr. McGarry said he would charge a flat fee of \$200 per month for the deer remains this year and reevaluate the agreement next year. A hose will be available through the season, and hunters may set up a processing table. Mr. Blane reported he met with BIRM's other principal Mike McGinnes later, who asked that the arrangement be modified to twelve cents per pound, with deer remains being accepted daily at 1:30. Mr. Blane said hunters would not need a processing table in that environment; Mr. Blansfield and Mr. Deane agreed.

Ms. Ballard offered to follow up with the Transfer Station to arrange the billing. She and Mr. Deane will ask where the hunters will be leaving the remains, and Mr. Deane will write instructions that will be given to hunters when they purchase deer tags.

Ms. Record moved to authorize Ms. Ballard to contact BIRM with regard to the billing process, and to direct Mr. Deane to provide instructions for hunters. Motion was seconded by Ms. Doyle.

Ayes: 6 (Record, Ballard, Blane, Blansfield, Deane, Komosinski)
Nays: 0
Absent: 3 (Doyle, Mellor, Wilson)

2. Approval of the minutes from December 11, 2009

Motion to approve the minutes of December 11, 2009, as amended.

Ayes: 6 (Record, Ballard, Blane, Blansfield, Deane, Komosinski)
Nays: 0
Absent: 3 (Doyle, Mellor, Wilson)

At 8:00, a motion to adjourn was made and seconded.

Ayes: 6 (Record, Ballard, Blane, Blansfield, Deane, Komosinski)

Nays: 0
Absent: 3 (Doyle, Mellor, Wilson)

Minutes approved: Jan. 5, 2010

Fiona Fitzpatrick
Town Clerk