



Selectmen Meeting

Tuesday, January 13, 2015 @ 6:00 PM
Southwest Harbor Town Office

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was opened by Chairman Norwood at 6:00PM. In attendance with the Chairman included George Jellison, Thomas Benson, David Minctons, Lydia Goetze, Town Manager Don Lagrange and recording clerk Marilyn Lowell.
- II. Visitors to be heard not on the agenda

No visitors
- III. Approval of Minutes:
 - a. Water/Sewer Board Meeting, December 23, 2015
Tom Benson moved to accept Water/Sewer minutes, second by David Minctons and voted in favor 5/0/0
 - b. Regular Meeting, December 23, 2014
Lydia Goetze moved to accept Selectmen minutes, seconded by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0
 - c. Budget meeting, January 5, 2015
Tom Benson moved to accept January 5 budget meeting minutes, seconded by David Minctons and voted in favor 5/0/0
 - d. Budget meeting, January 6, 2015
Lydia Goetze moved to accept January 6 budget meeting minutes with corrections, seconded by David Minctons and voted in favor 5/0/0.
 - e. Budget meeting, January 7, 2015
Lydia Goetze moved to accept January 7 budget meeting minutes, seconded by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.
 - f. Budget meeting, January 8, 2015
Tom Benson moved to accept January 8 budget meeting minutes, seconded by David Minctons and voted in favor 5/0/0.
- IV. Manager's Report

No Report
- V. Old Business:
 - a. Gordon-White Associates/Easement
Manager Lagrange reported he received correspondence from MDI hospital regarding the parking in front of the Gordon-White complex indicating a lease may be more preferable than an easement. It was suggested a 5 year lease to the Town would allow for review of the conditions in a short term. Lagrange suggested a lease contain language that allowed the town to limit the time vehicles may park as well as only provide snow removal and no other types of maintenance especially on a short term lease.
- VI. New Business:
 - a. Conservation Committee Appointment, Natalia Pajor

The appointment was continued to the next meeting due to Ms. Pajor not available for this meeting.

b. Assessor Quarterly Report

The assessors report was analyzed with questions regarding the valuation of the (11) single family structures at only 1.1 million dollars considering the permit value was over 3.9 million. Lagrange will discuss with the assessors.

c. Town Report Dedication

The consensus of the Board is to dedicate the town report to David Chapais and Esther Rodick in memoriam

d. Amendment to Road Ordinance

Lee Worcester of the Planning Board discussed their approval of amending the Road Ordinance requiring the Selectmen to accept any new road as a town road if constructed according to the road standards, eliminating the speculation of voter acceptance. Per Mr. Worcester, a road built to town standard would be accepted and not left to the whim of the Town to Yay or Nay. Tom Benson suggested the Planning Board also review the road construction standards to meet current guidelines.

George Jellison moved to accept Planning Board suggestions to amend Section IV of the Road Ordinance and place on the May ballot. Seconded by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.

e. Municipal Budget Acceptance

Lydia Goetze moved to accept the municipal budget as presented and placed on the warrant for the May town meeting. Seconded by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.

VII. Other Business

Lagrange added another group of trees that should be considered to be removed along the Main Street project. Tom Benson suggested some of those trees could be maintained for a few more years and it was not necessary to remove them at this time. Lagrange asked the Board to do a walk-about on Thursday for a final assessment of the trees to remove or save before construction begins.

VIII. Accept & Sign Warrants:

Tom Benson moved to accept the following warrants, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.

General Fund Warrants, FY 14-15; 97, 99, 102

Sewer FY 14-15: 100

Water FY2014: 26

Special Projects FY 14-15: 103, 104, 105

School FY14-15: 98, 101

IX. Next Meeting Date:

January 27, 2015 Regular Meeting, 6:00 PM

X. Adjourn Selectmen Meeting

Tom Benson moved to adjourn meeting at 6:55PM, seconded by David Minctons and voted in favor 5/0/0.