



## Selectmen Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 26, 2015

Town Office @ 6:00 PM

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call  
The Selectmen regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Dan Norwood. Also in attendance were George Jellison, Thomas Benson, David Minctons, Lydia Goetze, Town Manager Don Lagrange and Town Clerk Marilyn Lowell.
- II. Visitors to be heard not on the agenda  
None
- III. Approval of Minutes:  
Lydia Goetze moved to accept Selectmen minutes of May 12, 2015 meeting, seconded by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.
- IV. Manager's Report  
~ A summary of progress for MRC and the 2018 PERC deadline:  
MRC has approximately 23 million in reserve to develop the current proposal in Hampden with a Fibrerite processing facility as well as to stabilize future rate fees. The cost of the land is less than one million dollars and the processing facility of 60 million dollars will be privately financed. We will, in the near future, enter into new contracts with the MRC to designate this new facility which will commit the Town tonnage for operation. The cost projections for municipalities is an upfront charge of \$70 per ton with \$12-13 tipping rebates which will result in the same current costs. The attached schedule lists the products and end markets of the process with the most prevalent to the natural gas pipe line which is in close proximity to the site.  
~ Keith Johnston of Acadia Park Service will attempt a temporary fix to their septic needs however will continue for a long term solution to obtain sufficient funding for a permanent public sewer line. See attached email.  
~ Since we will not rebuild Forest Avenue this year, it is however, in need of some pavement. Attached is a price for two solutions. We recommend Option 2 as a fix until such time the road can be re-built. However, until Main Street is completed with a final tally, the availability of funds is uncertain.  
~ Correspondence has been sent to Ms. Hook regarding the disposition of the property adjacent to the Manset Pier.  
~ State DOT has responded unfavorably to Jeff Crafts island proposal. See attached email.
- V. Old Business:  
Chairman Norwood requested to review Dobbs' request to use cable channel 2 earlier than listed on the agenda. Dobbs presented his normal agenda for the use of one of the PEG channels. Tom Benson moved to approve the continued use of the Town's cable channel 2 by Dobbs Productions for the 15-16 fiscal year. Seconded by David Minctons and voted in favor 5/0/0.
  - a. Bathroom Design/Survey

Consensus from four board members was given to ask Benson Surveying to mark the property lines for development of the public bathrooms. Schematic potential designs resembling a depot were shown in anticipation of future Islander bus routing. It was agreed to include two family/unisex bathrooms, a storage area and an alcove in the design.

Chairman Norwood requested to move the presentation of Bar Harbor Bank ahead. Leita Zeugner, bank representative provided an overview of banking options with a comprehensive package with good returns. The recommended joint custody account [gives a complete blanket over the entire financial holdings in the bank providing quick and easy access to move between accounts. Lagrange suggested this proposal provides a way to increase revenue w/out tying the Board's hands. The Bank can offer protection for all assets with increased interest rates and ease of movement of funds. Goetze suggested that we also hear a proposal from the First at the next meeting.

b. Parking Ordinance Revision

Selectmen reviewed changes in the parking ordinance as proposed from previous meeting and suggested additional changes reducing the number of permits issued from three to two (2) per Mon-Wed-Fri or Tues-Thurs-Saturday. Visitors in audience questioned the need for voter approval, however the Parking Ordinance specified changes may be made by the Selectmen. The fee charged was questioned and suggested it should be higher. George Jellison moved to approve the parking ordinance with (2) permits each alternating day. Seconded by Tom Benson and voted 4/0/1 with Lydia Goetze abstaining.

c. Gateway Sign

Consensus of Selectmen to have a carved sign with granite posts designed for the entrance to Southwest Harbor. Manager was asked to get a proposal.

VI. New Business:

a. Bar Harbor Banking Proposal, Leita Zeugner

Taken out of agenda order and discussed as above.

b. Rhoades House

The Town now owns the Rhoades house with no limitations. The deeds have been recorded. Only requirement is to sell the Franklin stove with proceeds to Rhoades House fund. Ann Judd suggested the current house does not meet park's needs. The Chairman requested a letter describing the needs of the future park. Lagrange stated the initial step is to remove the existing building.

c. Dobbs Cable Channel Programming

Taken out of agenda order and discussed as above.

d. July-August Meeting Schedule

Consensus of Board is to schedule one meeting in July 14<sup>th</sup> and one meeting in August 11<sup>th</sup>. Alternate weeks only required to sign warrants.

VII. Other Business

~ Manager Lagrange suggesting a discussion to determine goals of police department prior to advertising for a police chief. David Minctons and Tom Benson volunteered to work with town manager to provide mission statement for next Board meeting.

~ Tom Benson discussed the League of Towns efforts for a fire training facility with the possibility of a fire fighting class at the high school.

~ Lagrange stated the water loan from Main Street project has an extra \$94,000 which essentially reduces available funds from the overall project because these funds earmarked for water related projects only. Unless used by November, the Town would lose estimated \$43,000 in loan forgiveness. Lagrange provided an estimate for replacing a water line on Forest Avenue, which is in need of replacement, based on using the current unit rate established two years earlier for the Main Street project. These earmarked funds would be qualified for matching in the expanded project if a grant is award in the next fiscal year. An additional \$161,316 would be required from the water-sewer reserve CIP to complete the Forest Ave. water line. Tom Benson moved to authorize \$161,316 be used from this reserve for the construction of a water line on Forest Avenue. Second by David Minctons and voted in favor 5/0/0.

VIII. Tom Benson moved to accept warrants. Seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.

General Fund Warrants, FY 14-15: 158, 160, 164  
Sewer FY 14-15: 163  
Water FY2015: 9  
Special Projects FY 14-15: 165  
School FY14-15: 159, 161, 162

IX. Next Meeting Date:

June 9, 2015 Regular Meeting @ 6:00 PM  
Town Office

X. Lydia Goetze moved to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 M. R. S. A. § 405 (6) (A) Discussions pertaining to Personnel issues relating to manager evaluation at 8:05 PM. Seconded by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.

Tom Benson moved to adjourn executive session at 8:15 PM, seconded by David Minctons and voted in favor 5/0/0. The evaluation was postponed until the next meeting.

XI. There being no further business, Lydia Goetze moved to adjourn Selectmen Meeting at 8:15 PM. Seconded by David Minctons and voted in favor 5/0/0.