

## Selectmen Board Minutes

Tuesday, July 14, 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 George Jellison. In attendance: David Minctons, Dan Norwood, Lydia Goetze, Town Manager Don Lagrange and Town Clerk Marilyn Lowell. Thomas Benson arrived at 6:30 PM.

### II. No Visitors to be heard not on the agenda

### III. Approval of Minutes:

Lydia Goetze moved to approve minutes of June 23, 2015 Selectmen meeting with correction of Freedman Ridge to Freeman Ridge. Second by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 3/0/1, David Minctons abstaining due to not at meeting.

### IV. Manager's Report

~ Latest communication from MRC estimates the cost for waste disposal will increase to \$85/ton, an increase from our current \$59/ton by nearly 50%, or \$26/ton in 2018. As you know, MRC is in the process of developing a facility with Fibright in Hampden that is expected to contain costs after rebates to around \$57.00. As you can see with the tentative PERC agreement, they acknowledge tipping fees will be from \$84.36/ton to \$89.57/ton.

~ Time Warner Cable has entered into agreement with Charter Communications to merge and operate under the name of Charter Communications, Inc.

~ Attached is a partial list of actions taken since 2010 regarding recommendations of the Comprehension Plan.

~ A sewer line is being reviewed for the first 1000 feet on Freeman Ridge for an 8" sewer line that would be connected to the manhole at the intersection of Seal Cove Road and Freeman Ridge. Test borings are being done on Forest Avenue for the water main project on Tuesday, July 14 and to save a mobilization charge, the boring company was asked to provide test borings on the center line of Freeman Ridge. There are fourteen properties this line will directly benefit. Many of the existing septic systems are aging and replacement is inevitable. Some soils on their properties are not conducive for systems and the public sewer will benefit these property owners.

~ The town owns most of the propane tanks however, five are owned by the propane dealers. The price for the upcoming season for propane is 1.149 per gallon from No Frills Oil Company compared to 1.579 this past season. This provides the opportune time to purchase and own the remaining five tanks. Attached cost for purchase totals \$4,697 and will be billed against the corresponding department heating line item.

Also, the credit from the tanks being replaced will be applied to the purchase.

A consensus of all Selectmen agreed to purchase tanks to replace company owned tanks.

### V. Old Business:

a. Dan Norwood moved to accept the bid from Bangor Truck Equipment of \$19,289 for the purchase of a Truck Body & Sander for the new F550 truck that has been ordered. Total cost of equipped truck is \$58,793, \$1,855 less than the \$60,648 in the CIP account. David Minctons second and voted in favor 4/0/0.

b. Town Manager Lagrange stated the appraisal has not yet been completed but expecting in next week. He presented a draft letter to be sent to owners to inform them of the Town's intentions. The consensus of Board agreed with sending the letter.

c. Lydia Goetze moved to approve the easement to Great Harbor Marina for construction of a breakwater on Black Ledge and authorized the Chairman to sign the document. Second by David Minctons and voted in favor 4/0/0.

d. Dan Norwood moved to record the easement from the Southwest Harbor Public Library for municipal maintenance and supervision of the parking area on the west side of the Library adjacent to Village Green Way. Second by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.

e. Manager Lagrange informed the Selectmen the Water/Sewer District Charter received Legislative approval on June 21, 2015 and will be effective 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature.

VI. New Business:

a. Greg Chabot of the newly appointed Auditors introduced himself and he will be the primary contact for the audit. They plan audit completion by October.

b. It was agreed to maintain the same liaison appointments as in the past fiscal year with the addition of liaison to School Board to include Dan Norwood, Tom Benson and Lydia Goetze.

c. Manager Lagrange discussed the tax commitment for the upcoming fiscal year with a mil rate of 12.89/thousand. This is the third year in a row the mil rate stayed at 12.89. Dan Norwood expressed gratitude for lthe Town staff in doing a great job with budgeting.

d. Manager Lagrange presented a plan for revitalization of the Village Green area preferred by village shop owners. The drawing was a resurrected copy of a 1990 concept with some modifications.

e. Lydia Goetze moved to affirm the Town Clerk appointments of Tabbetha Newenham and Chelsea Black for Deputy Clerk. Second by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.

f. Dan Norwood moved to re-appoint Brian Walls to the Harbor Committee for another three year term. Second by Tom Benson and voted in favor, 5/0/0.

g. Lydia Goetz moved to approve the water commitment of \$147,964.72 for the period April 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015 subject to an interest charged for unpaid balance of 11.25% per annum beginning 30 days after the billing date of July 14, 2015. Second by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.

h. Tom Benson moved to accept the Sewer commitment of \$120,470.56 for the period April 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015, subject to an interest charged for unpaid balance of 7.0% per annum beginning 30 days after the billing date of July 14, 2015. Second by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.

i. Lydia Goetze moved to vote for Laurie Smith as Vice President and William Bridgeo, Michael Crooker and Marianne Moore as Directors to the Maine Municipal Association and authorized the Chairman to sign the ballot. Second by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 5/0/0. Voting Ballot

VII. Under other business,

a. Dan Norwood moved to re-appoint William Carroll to the Shellfish Committee. Second by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.

b. Dan Norwood moved to limit parking at the public library on Village Green Way to two hours for spaces #1 thru #9 and twenty minute parking for spaces #11 & #12. Seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.

c. Dan Norwood moved to post no parking on Clark Point Road from Herrick Road to Dirigo Road from 7 AM to 7 PM and to notify property owners if a sign will be placed in their front yard. Seconded by Tom Benson and voted in favor 5/0/0.

VIII. Dan Norwood moved to accept the following warrants:

General Fund Warrants, FY 14-15; 179, 184

General Fund Warrants, FY 15-16: 1, 3, 6, 7

Sewer FY 14-15: 183

Sewer FY 15-15: 4, 5

Water FY2015: 12, 13

Special Projects FY 14-15: 181, 182

School FY 14-15: 180

School FY 15-16: 2

Seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 4/0/1 with Tom Benson abstaining.

IX. Next Meeting Date:

August 11, 2015 Regular Meeting @ 6:00 PM

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X. Dan Norwood moved to adjourn meeting at 7:27 PM and seconded by Tom Benson. Voted in favor 5/0/0.