



SELECTMEN MEETING

Tuesday, August 9, 2016

Following Public Hearing

I. Chairman Benson called the Selectmen meeting to order at 7:07PM. In attendance were Dan Norwood, George Jellison, Lydia Goetze, Chad Terry, Manager Don Lagrange and Asst Manager Marilyn Lowell.

Call to Order/Roll Call

II. Visitors to be heard not on the agenda: Kristen Hutchins provided info regarding the use of town parks including a copy of the Mt Desert ordinance. She also stated the use of public parks in Bar Harbor for non-profit local organizations.

Pending any future policies, the Board of Selectmen did acknowledge by consensus for the Chamber of Commerce to go forward with the band during Octoberfest on Village Green Park.

~ Chairman Benson requested to take the agenda out of order to start with the Harbor Planning Committee. Noel Musson provided a scope of services he will provide to the Harbor Planning Committee and to facilitate as needed.

V. (b) Lydia Goetze moved to establish the Harbor Planning Committee to contain 7-10 members, seconded by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 5/0/0.

Dan Norwood moved to appoint Michele Hirsch, John Stanley, Anne Napier, Ryan Donahue, Jim Colquhoun, John Roberts and Will Ratcliff to the Harbor Planning Committee, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.

V. (f) Some members of the Historic Cemetery Committee approved at the previous meeting presented a mission statement to the Selectmen. The Select Board suggested 7-10 members be appointed at the next meeting.

V. (c) Manager Lagrange presented a specific plan for the installation of a sewer line on Freeman Ridge prior to road resurfacing. Several property owners in the audience spoke in favor. Lagrange stated there would be 15 new services at a cost of up to \$125,000. The funds can be taken from FY 15-16 surplus which is anticipated at \$418,068. Dan Norwood moved to approve the additional 1600' of sewer line on Freeman Ridge with costs not to exceed \$125,000. Seconded by George Jellison and voted in favor 4/1/0 with Chad Terry voting against.

V. (a) Lagrange presented a report from structural engineer Pete Carroll for the Harbor House roof. The report had three options to remedy the issues. Dan Norwood moved to approve option #1 of the report for up to \$60,000, seconded by Chad Terry and voted in favor 5/0/0. Lagrange stated the funds could come from FY 15-16 Surplus.

VI.(a) Harbormaster Adam Thurston requested a special student fee of \$25 for use of hoist and dock Chad Terry moved to approve the fee of \$25 for students to luse the hoist and dock, seconded by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 5/0/0.

VI. (b) George Jellison moved to approve the reappointment of Nicholas Madeira to the Harbor Committee, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.

VI. (c) Dan Norwood moved to approve the appointment of Ellen Scull to the Conservation Committee, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.

VI. (d) Dan Norwood moved to approve the liquor license renewal for XYZ Restaurant, seconded by Chad Terry and voted in favor 5/0/0.

VI. (e) Manager Lagrange project a surplus from the FY15-16 budget of \$418,068 and recommended the distribution of these funds to the following: \$50K to professional reserve for two police officers attendance at the academy; \$7,500 into the comprehensive reserve for the Town's share of the state planning grant for review of the harbor; \$49,000 to the sidewalk CIP for the design costs of the lower Main Street sidewalk; \$13,000 for

the legal reserve; \$6,000 to the municipal building maintenance budget for the repair of the sprinkler system at the municipal office; \$3,000 into the police protective equipment CIP for tasers, vests and replacement weapons; \$15,000 to the road CIP due to the increase cost of Spring Brook; \$125,000 to the Water/Sewer infrastructure CIP for the installation of the sewer line on Freeman Ridge; \$60,000 to the municipal building CIP for the renovation of the Harbor House roof; any balance remaining after audit to be placed in the sidewalk CIP for lower Main Street project.

Dan Norwood moved to distribute surplus funds as presented, seconded by George Jellison and voted in favor 5/0/0.

V. (d) Harbormaster Adam Thurston submitted estimates for improvements to the Upper Town dock and Manset pier. Lydia Goetze moved to approve bracing for the Manset pier at a cost of \$20,000 and the Manset ramp replacement for \$11,000, seconded by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 5/0/0.

George Jellison moved to approve up to \$30,000 for the step, walkway and deck replacement at the upper town dock and replacement of the floats for the sum of \$32,000, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.

V. (e) David Benson submitted a memo requesting the name of road off Seal Cove to be named 'Rory's Way'. It was previously named Misbehavin Way. Dan Norwood moved to accept the name change, seconded by George Jellison and voted in favor 5/0/0.

III. Dan Norwood moved to approve the minutes of July 12, 2016 as amended by Lydia Goetze and Chad Terry, seconded by George Jellison and voted in favor 5/0/0.

IV. The Manager's report included the following:

~ We have increased part time reserve wages in both dispatch and police. This may help to recruit more part-time back up help. The training rate will remain at 13.55/hr and increased to 14.80/hr for dispatch reserves. The rate for full time dispatchers is 17.78/hr. Reserve Patrolman rates will be increased from 16.90 after training to 18.15 for green pin certification and 20.59 for blue pin certification. Full time Patrolman rate is 22.46.

~ Susan Allen complained about the removal of trees in the Town right of way on East Ridge. She felt property owners should be advised of tree removal. This is a maintenance issue along a street to be repaved with proper swales. The ROW on East Ridge is 66', meaning the property line is 33' from the center line of the road. Since, Scott and I reviewed the remaining trees to be removed and discussed with property owners who were very happy for the removal and road repair. Regardless, these trees needed to be cut down.

~ Many water and sewer bills were sent as an estimated amount due to a problem with the readers functioning improperly. Steve has been replacing defective equipment which should remedy the problems for the next billing cycle.

~ See attached photo of the upper town dock parking area with granite stone curb work and mulching recently completed by Scott and Mike. There was not cost for materials. We had the stones and the mulch.

~ Circle K will demo the garage building and relocate the existing canopy/fuel pumps.

~ An early reminder the elected officials meeting in Somesville is Thursday, October 20. There is an interesting agenda with guest speakers regarding the drug epidemic in Hancock County.

~ Andrew Allen of the State DOT is in charge of traffic crosswalks and will be in SWH on September 7 to discuss the relocation of a cross walk from in front of the Harbor House to the area in front of the school horseshoe.

VIII. Lydia Goetze moved to accept the following warrants:

General Fund Warrants, FY 15-16; #170

General Fund Warrants, FY 16-17; #14

Payroll Warrants: FY 16-17; #'s 5, 6, 9, 10, 11 & 13

Special Projects FY 15-16: None

School FY 16-17; #'s 7, 8 & 12

IX. Next Meeting Date:

Regular Selectmen Meeting, September 13, 2016, Town Office 6:00 PM

X. George Jellison moved to adjourn meeting at 9:50 PM, seconded by Chad Terry and voted in favor 5/0/0.