



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

I. Chairman Benson called the Selectmen meeting to order at 6:00PM. In attendance were Dan Norwood, George Jellison, Lydia Goetze, Chad Terry, Manager Don Lagrange and Asst Manager Marilyn Lowell.

II. Visitors to be heard not on the agenda, None

III. Chad Terry moved to approve workshop minutes of 8-9-16, seconded by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 5/0/0.

Dan Norwood moved to approve public hearing minutes of August 9, 2016, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.

Lydia Goetze moved to approve Selectmen minutes of August 9, 2016, seconded by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 5/0/0.

IV. Manager's Report1)

~ This year's salt price is \$3.44 less than previous year, which was also less than the year before at \$59.18/ton. Projected usage is 400 tons totaling \$23,672. We budgeted \$27,000 for FYI 16-17.

~ A passage ROW issue has been put into question with the construction of the Judd home on Fernald Point regarding a ROW to the Gilley Burial Ground with a different route than was originally used. Nat Fenton will prepare an easement for the Town for the areas as depicted. It will require voter approval at the May town meeting. See attached depiction. This easement is for town use only and does not address any private issues of use by other parties.

~ A meeting with Andrew Allen, State DOT sidewalk review authoring, on Wednesday, Sept 7 regarding the relocation of the cross walk at Eat-A-Pita/Harbor House location. His assessment was to keep the existing cross walk, however remove the southerly parking space on the Harbor House side due to sight requirements of minimum 20 feet. He suggested setting in the sidewalk in front of the school horse shoe to create one-two spaces.

~ The Town of Southwest Harbor received the annual dividend check from MMA workers comp and property & casualty programs in amount of \$3,142.

~ Attached is a request from Olver Engineers to State DOT requesting financial participation for storm water replacement during the reconstruction of lower Main Street sidewalks. Estimated project total cost is \$842,000 with a grant request of \$400,000 recently submitted to the State for a January decision. If DOT partnership program provides 50% of the drainage costs, then the actual cost to the town for approximately 1,500' new sidewalk will be (\$842,000, total cost minus \$400,000, State grant as well as minus \$98,500, potential partnership grant) \$343,000. Engineering costs of \$49,000 have already been earmarked with a balance of \$294,000 required.

~ A resident complaint regarding idling of trucks in early hours at the Manset Pier has been researched. Initially, it was going to be presented as an amendment to the parking ordinance, however the state statute covers idling issues and we will rely on that law.

~ Attached is a quote from Rings to pave Shore Road from Manset Pier to Spar property totaling \$50,760. This should be part of the FY 17-18 road project budget. Other areas to consider is Clark Point paving from Main Street to Herrick Road, the entire length of Fernald Point Road, the sidewalk and railing at Clark Point bulkhead and the replacement of the highway garage.

~ A sample investment policy being worked on for the next Selectmen meeting was presented to the Selectmen to invest reserves, surplus funds and CIP funds into higher interest bearing accounts.

V. Old Business: None

VI. New Business:

~ Dan Norwood moved to appoint Scott Alley, Ben C. Worcester III, Kenneth Hutchins, Kenneth Brooks and Henry Barendse to the Harbor Planning Committee, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0. The Selectmen agreed not to accept other volunteers since the committee now has ample participants.

~ Dan Norwood moved to appoint Katharine Walton, L. Wayne Gilley, Patricia Pinkham, Lynn Birlem and Joan Terry to the Historic Cemetery Committee, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.

~ Manager Lagrange requested Main Street retainage to Jordan Construction Co in the amount of \$63,258 be paid, less \$15,000 for unfinished vegetation on the shoulders. Dan Norwood suggested getting a quote from a local landscaper to determine if the amount is sufficient. Lagrange will present at next meeting.

~ Contractor Doug Gott & Sons proposed to install a private 2" water line from Dirigo Road to property at end of Ledge Road. The Town and the District requested they install a 6" line with (7) replacement water services and a fire hydrant with the District providing the cost difference for upgrade from 2" line to 6" line, water shut offs and hydrant. Initially, Gott was required to apply new pavement the width of the road rather than a trench patch. Due to costs exceeding \$60,000, Gott requested the Town's help with the paving at a cost of \$15,000. Dan Norwood felt that what the Town and District gained with these improvements, it is worth the price. George Jellison agreed but would like to see the paving quote. Dan Norwood moved to authorize Town Manager to negotiate paving with Rings Construction for Ledge Road up to \$15,000, seconded by George Jellison, voted in favor 5/0/0. Lagrange stated the funds would come out of water-sewer infrastructure CIP due to the scope of work.

~ A request was made by the Recycle Committee to contribute from their funds, the amount of \$1,500 to the West Side Food Pantry. There was no dedication of funds from the sale of recycled items when the committee was originally established. George Jellison moved to appropriate \$1,500 from Recycle Committee funds to be paid to the West Side Food Pantry, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.

~ Manager Lagrange proposed a municipal parking area at 376 Main Street stating the potential 60-80 car parking area is in good proximity to the Village. The asking price of the property is \$375,000. Lydia Goetze commented a greater need for parking at the municipal piers for harbor use. Lagrange stated the Town really should consider parking for both the Village and the Harbor. The Board instructed Lagrange for a rendering of the proposed lot for the next meeting.

VII. Other Business (Selectmen)

~ Chad Terry suggested the sidewalks on Herrick Road need maintenance due to the vegetative growth in the cracks, primarily between the curb and walkway. The concern was deteriorating potential if left unchecked. Scott Alley commented they were sealed a few years back but is not long term.

~ Lydia Goetze presented a request from a resident that the replacement steps at the upper town dock have a four inch riser rather than the typical 7-7 1/2" riser. Lagrange stated the State building code require 7-7 1/2" risers but would confirm for the next meeting. Also, Lagrange reminded the Board reducing the height of the risers by half would double the number of steps. He also stated the insurance company recommended the 7 1/2" riser. More information will be provided at the next meeting.

~ Lydia Goetze stated the Harbor Planning Committee was looking at the Hook property adjacent to the Manset Pier which is their top interest in harbor planning. She recommended getting an appraisal of the property. Lagrange stated the appraisal cost for

the Knot property across the street last year for potential parking cost \$600 and was done by Jerry Suminsby. The funds could come out of administrative contingency. Lydia Goetze moved to get an appraisal of the Hook property, seconded by Chad Terry and voted in favor 5/0/0.

VIII. Accept & Sign Warrants:

~ Lydia Goetze moved to accept the following warrants, seconded by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 5/0/0.

General Fund Warrants, FY 15-16; 171

General Fund Warrants, FY 16-17: 24, 22

Payroll Warrants: FY 16-17: 16, 18, 19, 21, 23

School FY16-174: 15, 17, 20

IX. Next Meeting Date:

Regular Selectmen Meeting, September 27, 2016, Town Office 6:00 PM

X. Adjourn Meeting

~ Dan Norwood moved to adjourn meeting at 7:17 PM, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.