



Selectmen Meeting

Town Municipal Office, 6 PM

Tuesday, November 8, 2016

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

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

III. Lydia Goetze moved to accept the Selectmen meeting minutes of October 25, 2016, seconded by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 5/0/0

IV. Manager's Report

~ The Conservation Committee will be applying for Planning Board approval for changes to the Charlotte Rhoades property which include demo of existing structure, relocation of driveway, additional parking and a new 20' x 24' educational barn. A sketch plan of the proposal to be submitted to the Planning Board was provided.

~ At their next meeting on December 1, the Planning Board will be discussing amending the Land Use Ordinance to increase lot coverage for all categories in Zone B, a reduction in setback from property lines, classify a septic system design that accommodates three or more dwellings as a public utility, increase building height in shoreland zones for residential structures to 30' and allow seasonal cottages with less than 750 square feet (occupancy no longer than six months) in the Harbor and Maritime Zones and Zone A to include full kitchens as accessory units to principle use without increase in land area requirements. Suggested maximum structure height at 16'.

~ The Town received full proceeds from the Penobscot Cable Consortium in the amount of \$8,547 to offset the cost of equipment upgrade for Time Warner cable tv channel 7. Total cost including black box cabinet, IT labor and equipment was \$8,577.

V. Old Business:

~ As facilitator for the Harbor Planning Committee, Noel Musson provided an update on the progress/status of the planning process. The Harbor Planning Committee has been working consistently over the past several months on data gathering (moorings, uses, land side uses, access, etc.) discussing the goals for the final plan and identifying existing and potential harbor issues.

~ After receiving a legal opinion confirming the Manager's opinion, a proposed donation cap for non-profits voted on by ballot could be amended with a warrant on future ballots. Lagrange proposed a \$205,000 donation cap be sent to the voters for approval by ballot which would give a majority of the community a voice in the amount it would allow in the municipal budget for donations to non-profits. Ingrid Kachmar from the Harbor House questioned the need for this cap, indicating it was not significant to the overall budget. Lydia Goetze moved to table this item indefinitely, seconded by Chad Terry and voted in favor 4/1/0 with George Jellison voting against.

~ The infrastructure committee had a meeting on November 2 to discuss and assemble a list of projects for future Selectmen consideration. It was determined at that meeting more information would be required before making a proposal before the Board of Selectmen, however may be available at their December meeting.

VI. New Business:

~ Dan Norwood moved to appoint Eleanor Park and Francine Mayhew to the Conservation Committee, seconded by George Jellison and voted in favor 5/0/0.

~ George Jellison moved to vote for Chip Reeves to the MRC Board of Directors, seconded by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 5/0/0.

~ Lagrange presented a proposal to establish an ordinance that would require any access funds from the sale of tax acquired properties to be returned to the property owner.

Lagrange stated the first priority is to help people stay in their homes however he was concerned future administrations may not be so helpful and this would insure a fairness. Chad Terry expressed concerned that anyone with any lien on the property would not be paid however Lagrange stated no liens would get paid if the Town sold the property and received all the proceeds. Lydia Goetze suggested if a tax acquired property was sold by the Town, excess proceeds could be targeted for workforce housing. A legal opinion would be required about attaching any other conditions to the ordinance.

VII. Other Business: None

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

General Fund Warrants, FY 16-17: 42

Payroll Warrants: FY 16-17: 40, 41

School FY16-17: 39

IX. Next Meeting Date:

Regular Selectmen Meeting, November 22, 2016 Town Office 6:00 PM

X. Dan Norwood moved to go into Executive Session per Title 1, §405 subsection E regarding the acquisition or the use of real property at 7:10 PM, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.

Lydia Goetze moved to adjourn executive session at 7:35 PM, seconded by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 5/0/0.

XI. Dan Norwood moved to adjourn meeting at 7:35 PM, seconded by George Jellison and voted in favor 5/0/0.