

Selectmen Meeting
Tuesday, June 13, 2017

I. Chairman Benson called the Selectman meeting to order at 6:00pm. In attendance were George Jellison, Dan Norwood, Lydia Goetze, Chad Terry, Manager Lagrange and Town Clerk Marilyn Lowell.

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

III. Lydia Goetze moved to approve the minutes of May 23, 2017, seconded by Chad Terry and voted in favor 5/0/0.

Chad Terry moved to approve the special meeting minutes of June 8, 2017, seconded by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 4/0/1 with George Jellison abstaining.

VI. Manager's Report:

~ It appears the Town of Southwest Harbor has been approved for a \$15,000 grant toward the construction of floats at the Upper Town dock.

~ Highway garage progress includes a revised septic system being drawn up by Bill LaBelle; building construction plans completed with materials list from Viking Lumber; and the application is before the Planning Board on June 15.

~ Olver Engineers, Marilyn and Scott did a six hour site review of the proposed road projects in its initial stage of planning on Thursday, May 25th.

~ Lighting in town office has been replaced with LED fixtures. The used fixtures will be sold for \$15 each, first come first served.

~ It is my opinion the Town should consider a full time Fire Chief to maintain and supervise the volunteer program. There are numerous requirements that need tending and this Town can no longer depend on maximum results with a volunteer chief. If agreed, a revised fire department ordinance will be placed on the next agenda with proposed changes. This requires voter approval and if done in November, this position could be placed in the FY 18-19 budget.

~ Attached is a petition requesting the Town to reconsider position on the post office parking area?

~ The Town received Notice to Proceed from State DOT for construction of Main Street sidewalk.

~ A summary update was provided from Noel Musson regarding Harbor Planning Committee with final at next meeting

~ The Town and District received Legislative approval for two more trustees, to be effective 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature which will be around Sept 21.

~ The new park bench at the upper town dock is getting a lot of use. Five benches were purchased, four for the pier platform and one located at the edge of the parking lot.

~ In order to receive a completed audit by the end of the year, the auditors have scheduled this Thursday and Friday to begin the process.

V. Old Business:

~ Dan Norwood moved to amortize the Sewer debt service of \$557,649 at 0% for 15 years with a minimum payment of \$37,176 per year and for the District to pay additional funds when available, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 4/0/1 with Chad Terry abstaining.

~ Dan Norwood moved to approve a one lease with MDI Properties for the use of 41 parking spaces at the Post Office subject to removal of the 120 bail out notice and legal review. The lease will terminate on June 30, 2018 with no further renewals. Seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 4/1/0 with George Jellison against.

VI. New Business:

~ The Board suggested more due diligence is needed to consider a proposal to extend the geographic police patrol area into the Town of Tremont. The Town Manager and Police Chief will review and bring back to the table at a future meeting.

~ Chad Terry moved to amend the Traffic and Parking Ordinance by adding the definition of Parking Enforcement Officer to issue parking summons as well as amend Section C-8 (c) to allow tow trucks to relocate vehicles with parking violations to a private storage area. Seconded by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 5/0/0.

~ A summary of Boards and Committees was provided by Lydia Goetze with a primary focus on liaison officers to those committees. Dan Norwood suggested a dedicated meeting workshop to explore the guidelines and duties of all committees.

~ Chief Brown discussed some issues with the Marathon events proposal and the Board suggested more communication with Jim Mitchell regarding deficiencies.

~ Lydia Goetze moved to discharge the Treasurer from further liability or obligation to collect the uncollectable balance of \$38.58, primarily from personal property taxes, and acknowledge receipt of the tax lists for the taxable year 2014, seconded by Chad Terry and voted in favor 5/0/0.

~ Chad Terry moved to accept the Planning Board recommendations to place on the November ballot, to amend the Land Use Ordinance Section Zone B by adding the following exception to lot coverage:

40% lot coverage by structures for commercial uses

May include multi-family structures in excess of three dwelling units.

Seasonal cottages with occupancy less than six months.

Property to be in common ownership

No condos or condo associations allowed

All performance standards must apply

Also to amend Section VIII of the Land Use Ordinance, section B, 1, b giving authority to the Code Enforcement Officer to approve commercial additions up to 1,000 square feet subject to definitive performance standards. Seconded by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 5/0/0.

~ Dan Norwood moved to approve the liquor license application for Joey's Place, seconded by Chad Terry and voted in favor 5/0/0.

~ Dan Norwood moved to approve the amusement permit for Joey's Place, seconded by Chad Terry and voted in favor 5/0/0.

~ Chad Terry moved to approve the liquor license application of the Harbour Cottage Inn, seconded by Dan Norwood and voted in favor 5/0/0.

~ Dan Norwood moved to approve the liquor license application for Rogue Café, seconded by Chad Terry and voted in favor 5/0/0.

~ The Board authorized Town Manager by consensus to advise legal counsel to communicate with Carolyn Hook regarding potential purchase of property on Shore Road.

VII. Other Business: None

VIII. Lydia Goetze moved to accept the following warrant, seconded by Chad Terry and voted in favor 5/0/0:

General Fund Warrants, FY 16-17: 126

Payroll Warrants: FY 16-17: 121, 122, and 125

School FY16-17: 119, 120, 124

IX. Next Meeting Date:

Selectmen Meeting, Tuesday June 27, 2017 @ 6:00 PM

X. Chad Terry moved to adjourn meeting at 8:47 PM, seconded by Lydia Goetze and voted in favor 5/0/0.