



Selectmen Meeting

Southwest Harbor Meeting Room
Tuesday, December 19, 2017 @ 6:00 PM

I. *Call to Order/Roll Call* – Lydia Goetze called Selectmen Meeting to order at 6:00 PM. In attendance were Dan Norwood, George Jellison, Jr., Chad Terry, Ryan Donahue, and Acting Town Manager, Marilyn Lowell.

II. *Visitors to be heard not on the agenda* - None

III. *Approval of Minutes:*

a. *Selectmen meeting minutes of December 12, 2017* – Dan Norwood made a motion to approve the December 12, 2017 minutes, as amended. George Jellison second. Vote 5/0/0, in favor.

IV. *Manager's Report* -

1) Adam will not have a hoist quote for tonight's meeting, but will bring it to the Jan. 9, 2018 meeting.

2) The MRC meeting was very informative. There is a short summary of the key points discussed, with the papers I put on the table.

3) There is also a General Scope of Work (Limitations of Operations) for the Main Street sidewalk extension (Apple Lane to Village at Ocean's End) in 2019 from Annaleis Hafford of Olver Associates.

4) The Hook Property survey is nearly complete and once that is received it can be sent on to the lawyer to prepare deed.

5) From the last week of Sept. to date: 18 permits issued, permit fees totaling \$8,098, and the value of permits at \$1,997,760.

V. *Old Business:*

a. *Marijuana Moratorium discussion* -

George Jellison made a motion to have the board stop any more discussion coming to the table, on marijuana, until after July 1, 2018. Dan Norwood Second, so there could be discussion.

~ George Jellison feels the Board should postpone discussion until the State has made some progress on what is to be done. At that time the Towns can either Opt In or Opt Out. Feels there are more important Town business that needs to be taken care of.

~ Lydia Goetze passed out informational handouts she felt would be useful in determining if a moratorium should be further discussed or implemented. This information was taken from the slides from the MMA workshop Marilyn attended.

~ Dan Norwood stated the frustration for him is that the marijuana discussion keeps coming back to the table.

~ Ryan Donahue wants to get more information for himself before any decisions can be made on his part. He also would not like to vote at this time and feels the Select Board should wait for more information from the State.

Vote 3/2/0, in favor, with Lydia Goetze and Ryan Donahue opposed.

VI. *New Business:*

a. *Alan Feuer, SWH/Tremont Chamber, discuss Candidates' night and an alternative proposal* – Alan Feuer, President of the Board for Chamber of Commerce, updated the Select Board with the Chamber's feeling, that the Candidate's Night is not getting the results which were intended. The Chamber voted to discontinue Candidates Night.

They are proposing to create and administer an online Candidate Forum for Town Elections, on their website. This election section on the website to host candidate statements. The Chamber would bear the cost of creating both the private and public election sections. In exchange, the Town would be asked to maintain membership in the Chamber of Commerce at \$500 per year and pay \$300 per election to the Chamber to defray the cost of administering the private website and providing assistance to candidates as needed.

b. *Lydia Goetze brief report about the bridge construction schedule* – Lydia Goetze attended the Clark Bridge & Marsh Bridge Public Meeting in Tremont on December 13th. The replacement of bridge over the marsh will close the road October/November, causing traffic to go around Seawall Road.

The bridge by Tremont School will be closed and there will be a temporary bridge with a stop light for 1 way traffic. It will be wide enough to allow big trucks to pass. There will be a 60 day window for the work.

~ Chad Terry asked if the Seal Cove Road would be left open to help accommodate traffic, which will be detoured through Seawall, during the road closure.

Dan Norwood noted, Tremont Ambulance will be losing their spot at the Fire Dept. building to house the ambulance. They are looking at where to house the second ambulance.

c. *January budget schedule* – Select Board reviewed the proposed budget review schedule, which will start Jan. 2, 2018. It was the consensus of Board to have Dave Barrett from MMA come to the Jan. 9th Selectmen's Meeting instead of the Jan. 15th budget meeting night, to further discuss the next steps in the Town Manager search, between SHW and MMA. Lydia Goetze will be in touch with Mr. Barrett to confirm his ability to join the Board on Jan. 9th.

VII. *Other Business:* ~ Chad Terry noted the School Lights are still not working. Also, the Police Officers are not always outside the car or at the cross walk daily. Marilyn was asked if she could please speak with Chief Brown about this.

~ Lydia Goetze stated that from previous Playground discussion it was thought at the time there was \$300,000 in undesignated funds, but hearing from the Auditors there was only \$200,000.

VIII. *Accept & Sign Warrants:*

General Fund Warrants, FY 17-18: 63

Payroll Warrants: FY 17-18: 62

School FY17-18: 61

*School Payroll FY 17-18: ***

Dan Norwood made a motion to accept and sign warrants as written. Chad Terry second. Vote 5/0/0, in favor.

IX. *Next Meeting Date:*

The next Selectmen Meetings will be January 2, 3, & 4, 2018, for Budget Reviews @ 4:00 PM.

X. *Adjourn Meeting* – Dan Norwood made a motion to adjourn @ 7:06 PM. Chad Terry second. Vote 5/0/0, in favor.