

REPORT ON SELECTMEN'S MEETINGS OF JULY 23 AND 26, 2011

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EMERGENCY MEETING OF SATURDAY, JULY 23:

This meeting was to confer in executive session with the Town Attorney regarding possible settlement of the Haddock/Montgomery litigation. After the executive session, the Selectmen voted to allow the Town Attorney to proceed with negotiations on possible terms of a settlement. As reported after the Selectmen's meeting of July 19, the settlement will deal with the issue of removing the structure that was built without a permit, penalties, and attorneys' fees and costs to be awarded to the Town.

THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 26: There were two members of the public present.

The minutes of the meetings of July 19 and July 23 were approved.

MOST IMPORTANT/INTERESTING ITEMS: In my judgment, the following items were the most important things covered during the meeting.

1. Regarding the Haddock/Montgomery case, it was announced that the Haddock/Montgomery appeal to the State Supreme Court had been withdrawn. Settlement negotiations are ongoing. But there is nothing to report yet.
2. Regarding the radio communications problem, the letter from the Selectmen to the Sagadahoc County Commissioners has been sent. Bill Plummer attended the meeting of the Commissioners earlier in the day and gave them a full description of the problems. He was told that the new tower would be on line in 30 days and if this did not fix the problem, the Commissioners would direct that further efforts would be made to find the problem and fix it.
3. John Wood (surveyor) came before the Selectmen along with Suzie Wren and Graham Wren to discuss the results of a survey of the boundary between Bay Point Road and their property near Wren Acres Road. The deed had never been changed to reflect the movement of the boundary when the road was straightened some years ago. The Selectmen agreed to accept the revised boundary. Mr. Wood will draw up the necessary papers and forward them to the Town Attorney.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mary reported on correspondence received. For a complete listing of this correspondence, see the Meeting Agenda at: www.georgetownme.com/Meeting-Agendas-and-Minutes.php

OLD BUSINESS:

Bob Trabona (Codes Enforcement Officer) reported that the Department of Marine Resources (DMR) shoreline survey of Georgetown was complete and that no new septic systems were found to be failing other than those reported at the last meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bill Plummer moved to appoint Lauren and Sadie Crosby to the Recreation Committee. The appointments were approved.

Mary McDonald reported that the Town needed to purchase new School Speed Zone signs for the Bay Point Road in front of the School. There was a question of what hours should be on the sign. The normal practice is to have the speed limit apply for 30 minutes before to 30 minutes after opening time and the closing time. The problem is that the opening time is not the same for all five days of the week. Mary will check with other towns to see how they deal with this problem.

The next meeting of the Selectmen will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, August 9, at the Town Office.

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