

## REPORT ON SELECTMEN'S MEETING OF AUGUST 8, 2011

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### THE MEETING:

There were two members of the public present.

The minutes of the meeting of July 26 were approved.

### 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](http://www.georgetownme.com/Meeting-Agendas-and-Minutes.php)

The most interesting items were:

- There was a letter from Jim Peavey indicating that he does not have the time to continue serving as Emergency Management Director and is resigning. He recommends Jerry Gamache as a replacement. Gamache was known to all of the Selectmen. Bob Trabona also spoke well of his participation in Fire Department activities. Jerry Gamache was appointed to replace Jim Peavey.

- There was a letter from the Maine Revenue Service with information about this year's Circuit Breaker Program for property tax relief. The information has been posted in the town Office.

- Central Maine Power has informed the Town that installation of smart meters will begin in the Town by the end of August.

### OLD BUSINESS.:

Regarding the Haddock-Montgomery case, there was a copy of a letter from the Town Attorney to the Haddock-Montgomery attorney listing the legal expenses the Town had incurred. This is relevant to the on-going negotiations about settlement, remedies, and the reimbursement of the Town's legal costs. Mary will go through the Town's records and compare them with the expenses listed by the Town Attorney.

There is no new information regarding the communications problems with the County dispatcher.

Dale Savoie, Road Commissioner, met with the Selectmen to discuss on-going drainage and culvert

problems at properties on Five Islands Road in Five Islands. For the first, the Bernard Goodman property (11U-23), Mary was directed to prepare a letter to Goodman requesting that he grant a permanent 30 foot easement across his property to enable the Town to improve and maintain a drainage ditch crossing the Goodman property. For the second, the Susan Hess property (11U-02), it was unclear what she viewed as the problem, what she wanted done, and whether the Town had any responsibility for problems on her property. It was agreed that Bill Plummer and Dale Savoie would meet with her to discuss the problem and report back to the selectmen.

#### CONTINUING ITEMS:

Mary reported that there were still a few small items to do on the repairs and maintenance of the Town Office Building. She also reported that the large wooden circular sign had been taken down since the paint is peeling and it needs restoration. She will ask Don Cowing if he can take this project on. There was also a question about who made the sign. No one could remember. If anyone remembers who made it, they should call Mary (2820).

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Amy Lang was appointed as an alternate member of the Recreation Committee.

The next meeting of the Selectmen will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, August 23, at the Town Office.

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