

REPORT ON THE SELECTBOARD MEETING OF JANUARY 23, 2018

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THE MEETING: I was the only member of the public present. Jim Peavey attended to discuss Age Friendly Communities, a subcommittee of the Comprehensive Planning Committee.

The minutes of the meeting of January 9, 2017 were reviewed. Kate MacKay pointed out that they failed to address a discussion about having MMA come to a meeting in March to discuss what kind of employee benefits they can provide. The Board agreed to amend the minutes and then approved them with the amendment. They will be posted on the Town website.

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

- **Age Friendly Community (AFC) Subcommittee Plan of Action:** Jim Peavey came to the meeting to discuss and gain Board support for the Plan of Action for meeting with a broad range of Georgetown organizations and groups to get their input. He provided a short summary of work which this Subcommittee has accomplished. The AFC team meets twice per month and has typically had 15-20 people at their meetings. They are proceeding on two paths: (1) contributing long-range Aging in Place input to the Comprehensive Plan and (2) looking at items that we can do now to support Georgetown's aging population. He noted that Georgetown is already Age Friendly in many ways, including individuals, groups and organizations taking care of neighbors. But the needs continue to grow and it's possible some people may fall through the cracks. The plan is to meet with organizations such as GCC, GWL, GVFD, GCS staff, Recreation Committee, and Five Islands Church. Meetings will focus on needs. Jim also noted that the AFC Subcommittee has put together a list of services and resources for older and/or disabled residents that are available or can be made available to Georgetown residents. Jim and the Board discussed all of the services and resources which the Subcommittee has identified. After the discussion the Board supported going forward with the Plan of Action.

Note: If you are interested in participating with the Age Friendly Subcommittee, the next meeting is Monday, February 12th, 4:00 pm, at the GHS. All are welcome.

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

The most interesting items were:

- Senator Eloise Vitelli forwarded the Maine DOT 2018-2020 Work Plan. It will be forwarded to Charlie Collins. Anyone interested can view it at the Town Office.
- Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR) announced a public Scoping Session for Standard Aquaculture Lease Application for Tom Bolster. It will be held at GCS February 6th.
- AOS 98 announced they will hold a Superintendent Search Committee Community Forum at GCS, January 29th, 6:00 pm. The AOS also forwarded a survey which I have attached to this email. Anyone in the Georgetown Community is invited to participate in the survey.
- Mary noted that the Midcoast Hospital Annual Report has a nice article about Fire Chief Justin LoDolce.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Assessing Items:** While not discussed, Mary noted that there are currently four abatement applications being reviewed by Bill Van Tuinen, town assessor. She also noted that she received another one earlier in the day but had not distributed it to the Board yet.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Development of 2018-19 Town Budget:** The Board reviewed a draft letter to the FAC providing guidance, schedule dates and Board liaison assignments for the upcoming Town budget process.

UPCOMING EVENTS/DATES:

Date & Time	Event	Place	Comment
Saturday, Jan 27, 5 pm	Potluck Supper	GCC	Soup, Chili, Chowder
Thursday, Feb 15, 1-4 pm	Adult Game Day	GCC	
Saturday, Feb 24, 11-2	Sledding Party	Woodex	
Saturday Feb 24, 5 pm	Potluck Supper	GCC	Not yet sure of theme

The next meeting of the Selectboard will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, February 13 at the Town Office.

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