

REPORT ON THE SELECTBOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 24, 2017

Prepared by Rick Cliffe

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THE MEETING: There were 3 members of the public present.

The minutes of the meeting of October 10, 2017 were approved. 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.

- **Special Town Meeting:** The Board has scheduled a Special Town Meeting for next Wednesday, November 1st, 7:00 pm, at the GCS to ratify the loan for the new GVFD Tanker. This meeting is the result of a process oversight. It must be held so the Tanker can be paid for and delivered. Delivery was scheduled for October 27th. It is likely to be delayed a week.
- **Comprehensive Plan Consultant:** The Board approved the Request for Proposal (RFP) for Consultant Support to the Georgetown Comprehensive Planning Committee. Approval is conditioned on review by Legal Counsel which should be accomplished in the next few days. This RFP is for \$10,000 support which was approved at the Town Meeting last June.
- **Comprehensive Plan Support:** The Board approved the Comprehensive Planning Committee, John McIlvain – Chair, signing a Memorandum of Agreement with the University of Maine. The Darling Research Center will work with the Marine Resources Subcommittee to complete that section of the Comprehensive Plan. This extensive data gathering/analysis and mapping support is funded by NOAA grant and will not cost the Town.

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 is holding office hours Saturday, October 28, 9-11 am, at the Topsham Public Library.
- The Betsy Ann Ross House of Hope has opened in Augusta. This organization is a non-profit for women veterans and children who are at risk of homelessness.
- Jay Holt submitted an update on the Coastal Clean Up effort held in late September. Georgetown volunteers collected 238 lbs of trash. McMahan Island volunteers collected an additional 107 lbs.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Emergency Operations Plan:** The Board must review/approve revisions to the plan. Kate MacKay brought up an issue with the plan indicating that the Town conducts exercises but, in fact, no such exercises have been done. There was considerable discussion of the issue. But Kate will not sign off on the revisions until the plan is modified or an exercise is initiated.

UPCOMING EVENTS/DATES:

Date & Time	Event	Place	Comment
Wednesday, Nov 1, 7 pm	Special Town Meeting	GCS	To ratify the Tanker Loan that was approved at the Town Meeting last June.

The next meeting of the Selectboard will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, November 14th at the Town Office.

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