

Report on the Selectboard Meeting of May 9, 2023

Prepared by Alison Freeman

Note: These are not official minutes -- -- just notes taken by me. Official minutes will be available from the Town Office and will be posted on the Town web site following Board approval at the next meeting.

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The Meeting: The meeting was conducted as a Zoom hybrid. Selectboard members Rich Donaldson and Jon Collins, and Finance Director, Mary McDonald, were together in the Town Office. Bronwen Tudor and Town Administrator, Amanda Campbell, were on Zoom. There were 15 members of the public in attendance in person or on Zoom.

The minutes of the meeting of April 25, 2023 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.

- Town Meeting 2023 planning: Moderator confirmed, and Gym usage confirmed for election and Town Meeting
- Status of Draft Ordinances:
 - DRAFT Building Permit & Minimum Lot Size ordinance approved
 - DRAFT Shellfish from legal approved
 - DRAFT Shoreland zoning from PB approved
 - DRAFT Budget for hearing approved
 - Already approved for hearing – TOPMB, BOA, Solar, and Harbor
- Jon Collins reported that clean up and repair of the latest storm damage is almost complete. Amanda Campbell added that she has been in discussions with the DOT regarding Rt 127 and regarding possibly qualifying for reimbursement from the State for repairs
- Town Administrator position advertisement was approved, and the hiring process was discussed and agreed upon
- At the recommendation of the Finance Director and the Town Administrator the Selectboard agreed to change the Town's insurance to Maine Municipal Association's Risk Management Services when the current Cross Insurance policy ends. They agreed that MMA's coverage is better suited to the needs of a municipality such as the Town and is similarly priced

Correspondence:

Amanda reported on correspondence received. For a complete listing of this correspondence, see the Meeting Agenda on the Town website.

The most interesting items were:

- Main Street Bath – 2023 Heritage Days parade invitation <https://visitbath.com/events/heritage-days/>
- Letter of Candidacy Withdrawal from Diane Morin
- Letter from Lisa Reece regarding streetlight
- HR Certificate for Mary McDonald

Old Business:

- S/V Whisper – The Bureau of Submerged Lands has declared the vessel derelict and notified the owner. They also said there is no funding available from the State. The Harbormaster has found a company who will remove the vessel as a training exercise. The request was approved as not to exceed \$2000 and will come from Selectboard contingency. If the company finds that the cost for removal would exceed \$2000 because the vessel cannot float, the vessel will be left where it is

Upcoming Events/Dates:

UPCOMING MEETINGS/ EVENTS:

Solid Waste Committee	Thursday May 11	7pm ZOOM
TOPMB	Tuesday May 16	4pm OFFICE
Planning Board	Thursday May 18	7pm HYBRID
Select Board	Tuesday May 30	7pm HYBRID

TOWN MEETING SCHEDULE:

The budget and ordinance hearings are the last practical opportunity for discussion or possible changes. It is very difficult, and usually not possible, to make changes to the budget or ordinances at Town Meeting

Candidate's Night	Monday May 15	7pm ZOOM
School Budget Hearing	Tuesday May 16	7pm ZOOM
Town Hearing	Wednesday May 17	7pm ZOOM
Ordinance Hearing	Monday May 22	7pm ZOOM
Municipal Election	Tuesday June 13	12-7pm GCS Gym
Town Meeting	Saturday June 17	9am GCS Gym

The next meeting of the Selectboard will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, May 30. The public is welcome to attend on ZOOM. Contact Amanda Campbell or Alex Neese at the Town Office to get the Meeting ID and Password.

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INTRO TO SEA KAYAKING
MAY 27TH 2PM - 3:30PM

VENUE TBD

RSVP ARIA 514-5738

SAT, MAY 27 AT 2 PM

Intro to Sea Kayaking

 **Interested**



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Saturday, May 13th 9AM-1PM in Bath, Maine

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Saturday, May 13, 2023 | 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

or until truck is filled.

Bath Police Department, 250 Water St.
Bath, ME 04530

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Questions? Email me@aarp.org.

For more information about scams and fraud prevention,
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AARP Maine
53 Baxter Boulevard, Suite 202
Portland, ME 04102

Star Farm's 2023 Blueberry CSA

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) helps bring much needed cash-flow to farms in the spring before the harvest. This investment will help us invest in soil amendments, mulch, berry boxes, & berry cleaning supplies so we can provide the community with local, no-spray wild Maine blueberries this summer!

Invest between now and 5/31/23 and receive an extra 9% return via credit at the farm.

Mandy & Luke Winne are thrilled to be tending Georgetown's 15 acres of wild blueberries. We are in the process of becoming certified organic and intend to be offering a U-Pick along with selling clean berries in July & August. More info can be found on the Facebook account "Star Farm Maine."

Star Farm's 2023 Blueberry CSA

(Include this form with payment by 5/31/23)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Would you like to receive our email newsletter to learn when berries are ripe? Yes No

Investment: \$10 now = \$11 credit \$50 now = \$55 credit

(Circle one) \$20 now = \$22 credit \$100 now = \$110 credit

Other: _____

Checks can made out to & be sent to:
Star Farm LLC
303 Five Islands Rd
Georgetown, ME 04548

Cash:
Contact Mandy @ 207-522-4563 or
StarFarmMaine@gmail.com



Georgetown Recreation Committee Pickleball 9am Saturdays & Sundays

at the Georgetown Central School

Come join the fun and play Pickleball.

We'll have the equipment
although you may bring your own.

All we request is to wear clean sneakers to keep the court clean.

This event is dependent on the weather. Refer to Georgetown Recreation Department on Facebook and e-mail notices for cancelation notices.