

Report on the Selectboard Meeting of August 29, 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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These notes, and the full agenda for the meeting, are available at SingingBridge.net as a PDF.

The Meeting: The meeting was conducted as a Zoom hybrid. Selectboard Members Rich Donaldson and Jon Collins, Town Administrator Tyler Washburn, and Finance Director Mary McDonald, were together in the Town Office. Selectboard Member Bronwen Tudor was on Zoom. There were 8 members of the public in attendance on Zoom.

The minutes of the meeting of August 15, 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.

- Acclaim Hospitality LLC's (dba Grey Havens) Liquor License was approved
- Robinhood Ventures LTD's (dba Robinhood Free Meetinghouse) Liquor License was approved
- 2021-2022 Audit of the Town from Purdy Powers is now available for review at the Town Office
- Fire Chief Brian Whalen reported on Georgetown Fire Department (GFD) equipment (repairs, updates, condition), and plans for training. He expressed concern that a recent breach of the beaver dam on Trafton Pond will adversely affect future water levels in the pond which is an important source of water for the GFD.
During Public Comment, Jon Hentz and a property owner whose land borders Trafton Pond both spoke echoing Fire Chief Whalen's concern about future water levels. Jon Hentz offered an historical perspective and said he plans to submit a plan for remediation
- Town Assessor Pat Dow is still working in Town on pre-commitment pickup work. He is currently driving a red vehicle while his white vehicle is in the shop. He does have signage on his vehicle to identify him as the assessor
- This meeting was the first recorded using Zoom. This and future meetings will be made available on YouTube once the channel is set up. Then anyone will be able to watch the recording on a computer, or internet connected TV at their convenience.
- After discussion surrounding implications of Chapter 672 (commonly referred to as LD 2003 from the 130th Maine Legislature) a motion was approved directing Rich Donaldson to continue research and discussions with MMA and legal counsel regarding options for the Town
- Rich Donaldson reported that he has communicated with legal counsel and Representative Allison Hepler regarding a timeline for possible repeal of the Private and Special Law regarding MacMahan Island

Upcoming Events/Dates:

Friends of Reid State Park Recreation Committee	Tuesday, September 5th	4:00pm IN PERSON
Planning Board	Tuesday, September 5th	6:30pm HYBRID
Shellfish Committee	Wednesday, September 6th	7pm HYBRID
Age Friendly Georgetown Conservation Commission	Thursday, September 7th	4:30pm IN PERSON
Select Board	Monday, September 11th	4:00pm IN PERSON
	Monday, September 11th	6:30pm ZOOM
	Tuesday, September 12th	7pm HYBRID

The next meeting of the Selectboard will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, September 12th. The public is welcome to attend on ZOOM. E-mail gtwnme@hotmail.com for the ZOOM code to join the meeting no later than 2pm that day.

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Community Cupboard

Thanks to, and due to, the generosity of others, the Georgetown Community Center is able to offer a monthly food pantry to all town members.

The pantry will be held at the Community Center and open the last Monday (usually!) of the month, from 3 PM til 5 PM.

Limited items available will include:

- Bread
- Peanut Butter
- Pasta
- Rice
- Beans
- Cheese
- Snacks and more.

We encourage and welcome anyone from Georgetown in need to come to our pantry.

*No income verification necessary.

We will begin August 28th.
September 25th
October 24th



FALL FROLIC & *Art Show*

SEPTEMBER 16TH 9AM - 2PM

**REID STATE PARK
East Beach/Group Pavilion**

9:30am Fun Run

10:00am Beach Walk

10:30am Yoga

10am-2pm Art Show (door prizes)

Kids Art Studio, Lawn Games, Lots
of Food and Drinks

FREE ADMISSION FOR ALL GEORGETOWN RESIDENTS

Tickets available starting September 1st at
multiple locations including Transfer Station,
Town Office & Rec Com Members.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN, TOWN OF GEORGETOWN

Agenda for Tuesday, August 29, 2023 at 7:00 pm

Hybrid meeting held via ZOOM for public and at the Town Office for SB Members who wish.
Please email gtwnme@hotmail.com for the ZOOM login info.

*indicates copy provided to Selectmen

***INDICATES THE NEED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE**

Call to order:

Public comment:

Items to be added to agenda (if approved by chair and board):

Scheduled appointments:

- Public Hearing for Grey Havens Liquor License @ 7:15pm (*see New Business*)

Minutes:

- Minutes of August 15th Meeting for review and approval******

Review:

- 2021-2022 Audit from Purdy Powers (provided by email from Finance Director)

Assessing items:

- Update – Pat Dow is still working in Town on pre-commitment pickup work.

Correspondence:

- Email from MMA re: 87th Annual Convention*

Other Correspondence: None

Continuing Items:

Receipts for pumping:

- G. Steven Carmel, 1413 Five Islands Road (12U-008)

Maine Waste Discharge License *renewal* / transfer applications: none

Maine Waste Discharge License *approvals*:

- Franklin McDonald Jr., 9 Harbor Way (011-007)
- Little Reid Trust, 62 Loop Road (06U-011)

PBR / NRPA : none

Town Administrator Update

Finance Director Update

Committee Updates:

Minutes:


Solid Waste Committee Meeting, July 13, Minutes

Membership:
Liaison Updates:



Board Member Updates:

Mr. Donaldson:
Mr. Collins:
Ms. Tudor:

Old Business:

- Proposal From Fire Chief Whalen to Purchase Squad Truck*
- Fire Chief Update
- Ordinances back from legal for review
- FEMA Grant Update

New Business:

- Public Hearing for Acclaim Hospitality LLC's (dba Grey Havens) Liquor License 
- Renewal of Robinhood Ventures LTD's (dba Robinhood Free Meetinghouse) Liquor License 
- MacMahan Island Discussion
- Discussion surrounding implications Chapter 672 (commonly referred to as LD 2003 from the 130th Maine Legislature)

Items For Signature:

- *If approved*, Acclaim Hospitality LLC's (dba Grey Havens) Liquor License
- *If approved*, Robinhood Ventures LTD's (dba Robinhood Free Meetinghouse) Liquor License

Public comment:

Executive Session: *Under 1 MRS §405(6)(if needed)*

Adjournment:

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