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## REPORT ON THE SELECTBOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2020

Prepared by Rick Cliffe

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THE MEETING: There were 3 members of the public present. This was a hybrid meeting with most participants attending on ZOOM.

The minutes of the meeting of August 25, 2020 were approved subject to an amendment made by Bronwen Tudor. 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.

- **Broadband:** Rich Donaldson stated that he has not seen any response to his written questions from the last meeting with 3BI representatives a couple of months ago. He wants to get ahead of the issues before the announcement of Broadband grants.
- **Assessing Items:** Amanda Campbell noted that Tom Tippie and Pat Dow, supporting Bill VanTuinen, have been in town reviewing open assessing issues. VanTuinen will complete the work in time to support mailing of property tax bills in October.
- **Todd's Landing Purchase:** The Town is working with the Todd family to address legal issues for the Title Search and Deed.
- **Transfer Station:** Rich Donaldson asked when will the Solid Waste committee re-open recycling of plastics. Bronwen Tudor, liaison to the Solid Waste committee, said they anticipate no change to the current procedure until October.

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:

- Department of Marine Resources (DMR) notified the town that the aquaculture lease for M. Gaffney has been amended to include quahogs.
- The Town was notified of a planned HHHW collection day scheduled for Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. The notice was sent to the Solid Waste Committee.
- A Letter of Resignation from the Planning Board was received from Christopher Wilcoxson. He is the new Assistant CEO.
- The AOS98 School Board meeting schedule was received from the AOS. They also noted that USDA will be funding school breakfast and lunch for all students through 12/30/2020. Parents still need to do forms but there will be no cost.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Emergency Communications:** Amanda Campbell noted that the Sagadahoc County Commissioners did discuss Georgetown’s communication issues at their meeting earlier in the day. Bob Trabona explained the Planning Board process and ordinance requirements that apply to changes they are investigating.
- **Committee Appointments:** All incumbents whose terms expired at the Town Meeting have agreed to remain in place. The Board approved re-appointments.
- **Bookkeeper/Administrative Assistant:** The Board approved Amanda Campbell developing a poster to support advertising the position. The Board also approved Rich Donaldson interviewing any candidates that apply.
- **Board and Committee Vacancies:** Current openings for volunteers are listed on the Town website home page under “*Volunteers Needed*”. If you have an interest in serving, please contact Amanda Campbell or one of the Board members.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Memo from TOPMB:** There was a short discussion of issues raised to the TOPMB by a resident in July. The issues include fireworks after 10 pm and the rules sign at the wharf and parking and rules sign at Todd’s Landing. Once again it was noted that “enforcement” is the primary issue. Bronwen Tudor suggested a joint Selectboard and TOPMB workshop to identify and address these issues. It will be scheduled after the Todd’s Landing transfer is complete. Rich Donaldson that a meeting structure and expectations be defined before the meeting.
- **ACO Phone:** Matt Norris is having trouble receiving and responding to calls on his cell phone. It was pointed out that the previous ACO had a cell phone paid by the Town. The Board agreed he should investigate cell providers/plans and bring a proposed plan for Board approval.

UPCOMING EVENTS/DATES:

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<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Saturday, October 17	Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day	To be announced	Date and location to be confirmed

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The next meeting of the Selectboard will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, September 22. It will be a hybrid (in person and Zoom) meeting. The public is invited to attend by ZOOM.

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