

Report on the Selectboard Meeting of October 24, 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 9 members of the public in attendance on Zoom.

The minutes of the meeting of September 26 and October 17, 2023 were approved. They are posted on the Town website.

Most Important/Interesting Items: In my judgment, the following items were the most important things covered during the meeting.

- Bill Van Tuinen, Assessing Agent, provided an update to the Board at 7:15pm. You can view the presentation on the Town's YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/@GeorgetownME>. The Selectboard will make a decision regarding the options presented by Mr. Van Tuinen at the November 14th meeting
- Community Center Request to put playground equipment across the street from GCC on Conservation Commission Land (13U-003) was discussed. Concerns regarding safety and logistics were raised. The request was referred to the Codes Enforcement Officer as a next step towards a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
- Jon Collins reported on the meeting with Sheepscot Island Company and Local Legislators. The meeting generated more questions than answers. More research is needed. One issue is clarification of who owns the roads on MacMahan.
- At a special Selectboard meeting on Tuesday, October 17, 2023 Chairman Collins presented John "Jack" Schneider with Georgetown's Boston Post Cane
- Absentee Ballot information: <https://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/elec/voter-info/absent.html>
- The 2024 dog licensing tags are now available at the Town Office
- The appointments of Mike Farnia, David "Skip" Foster, and Loren Francis to the Harbor Committee were approved
- The appointment of Pam Gunnell as an Alternate to the Board of Appeals was approved

Correspondence:

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

The most interesting items were:

- October Newsletter from GVFD
- Maine Department of Marine Resources Update re: LPA Aquaculture Projects
- Public Hearing Notice from Maine Department of Marine Resources re: aquaculture lease site
- e-Blast from Maine Department of Labor
- September Incident Report from Sagadahoc County Sheriff's Office
- Maine Municipal Association – Assessing For Non-Assessors - Zoom Class 11/16

Upcoming Events/Dates:

Planning Board	Wednesday, November 1 st	7pm HYBRID
Friends of Reid State Park	Monday, November 6 th	4pm HYBRID
ELECTION DAY	Tuesday, November 7 th	8am to 8pm
Recreation Committee	Tuesday, November 7 th	6pm HYBRID
Harbor Committee	Thursday, November 9 th	5pm HYBRID
Age Friendly Georgetown	Monday, November 6 th	4:30pm HYBRID
Select Board	Tuesday, November 14 th	7pm HYBRID

The next meeting of the Selectboard will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, November 14, 2023. 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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BOARD OF SELECTMEN, TOWN OF GEORGETOWN

Agenda for Tuesday, October 24, 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:

- 7:00pm Public Hearing on Town's General Assistance Ordinance Appendices (see new business)
- 7:15pm Update from Bill Van Tuinen, Assessing Agent (see Assessing items)

Minutes:

- Minutes of September 26th Meeting for review and approval*
- Minutes of October 17th Special Meeting for review and approval*

Review:

- Hauling Numbers for 3rd Quarter*
- Updated Permit Listing*
- September 30 Financials*

Assessing items:

- Bill Van Tuinen will provide an update to the Board at 7:15pm (see scheduled appointments above)
- Town Administrator is reviewing pre-commitment work.

Correspondence:

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- Maine Municipal Association – RMS Express, October
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Other Correspondence:

Continuing Items: Nothing to report as of now.

Town Administrator Update

- General Office Update

- Election Information
- Dog Licensing
- MMA Convention
- 10/10 Zoom Meeting with Tracie Robinson, Government Affairs Manager VRBO
- Household Hazardous Waste Day Update
- Boston Post Cane Presentation
- 10/18 Site Visit for Energy Audit
- Meeting with Sheepscot Island Company, Local Legislators
- FEMA Grant Update, Site Visit on 10/26
- Other / Items TBD

Finance Director Update

Committee Updates:

Minutes:

- Conservation Commission, September 11th Meeting
- Solid Waste Committee, September 14th Meeting

Membership:

- Loren Francis, as Member of the Harbor Committee *
- David “Skip” Forster, as Member of the Harbor Committee *
- Pam Gunnell, as Alternate to the Board of Appeals *

Liaison Updates:

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

Board Member Updates:

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

Old Business:

- Resolution for borrowing Tax Anticipation Note from Counsel *
- Update on status of policy reviews per September Board Workshop

New Business:

- Community Center Request to put playground equipment across the street from GCC on Conservation Commission Land (13U-003) *
- Adoption of General Assistance Ordinance Appendices (see scheduled appointments) *
- Memorandum from Fire Chief seeking approval on process for disposition of old Squad Truck *

Items For Signature:

- *If Approved*, Resolution for borrowing Tax Anticipation Note from Counsel
- *If Approved*, Appointment Certificate for Loren Francis to Harbor Committee
- *If Approved*, Appointment Certificate for David “Skip” Foster to Harbor Committee

- *If Approved*, Appointment Certificate for Pam Gunnell to Board of Appeals
- *If Approved*, Updated General Assistance Appendices

Public comment:

Executive Session:

Adjournment:

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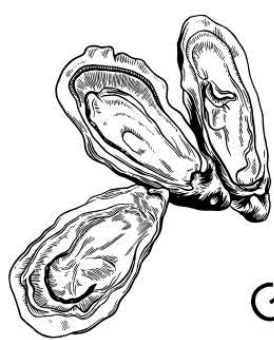
PLEASE JOIN G'TOWN REC

HALLOWEEN PARTY

10/31 5-7:30 if you dare!

Pizza @GCC till 6pm then Tromping for
Treats on the Square

FMI Georgetown Facebook or
aria.eee@gmail.com



Georgetown Conservation Commission



HARVEST

potluck

SATURDAY

NOVEMBER 4TH

12-2pm

Georgetown Community Center

Please join us as we gather together as a community to celebrate the harvest and prepare for the coming winter.

Please bring your favorite dish to add to the meal.

Turkey will be provided.



As part of our town's Community Resilience Energy Grant, information and tips will be shared about how to make your home more energy efficient this winter.



For more information, email Nancy Kinner at nancy.kinner@unh.edu