

## FREEMAN'S REPORT ON THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING OF FEBRUARY 10, 2015

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THE MEETING: There was one member of the public present. The minutes of the meeting of January 13, 2015 were approved.

### CORRESPONDENCE:

Mary reported on correspondence received. For a complete listing of this correspondence, see the Meeting Agenda at: [www.](http://www.georgetownme.com/Meeting-Agendas-and-Minutes.php)

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The most interesting item was that the Federal Emergency Management Agency notified the Town of the final flood hazard determination. This will become effective July 16, 2015. The Town is required, as a condition of continued eligibility in the Flood Insurance Program, to adopt or show evidence of adoption of floodplain management regulations that meet the standards prior to this date. ME Department of Conservation has provided an electronic copy of the ordinance. It has been forwarded to the Planning Board.

### OLD BUSINESS:

The recent First Church Work Party was cancelled due to snow. It will be rescheduled.

Ads requesting bids for the old #2 ambulance had been posted. No bids had been received by this date. The new #2 ambulance will be arriving this week.

The Planning Board has agreed to make the changes to the Subdivision Ordinance that had been recommended by the Town Attorney.

### NEW BUSINESS:

The Recreation Committee requested permission to accept the donation of a camper-trailer to be used as a warming hut for activities such as the Fishing Derby. The Selectmen granted this permission.

The Town Clerk and Assistant to the Selectmen had recommended that the Town rent a Tabulator to assist in counting votes in State elections at a cost of \$745 per year. The Selectmen rejected the recommendation on the grounds that it was not cost effective, compared to the cost of paying the election clerks to count the votes.

~~Mary reported on the need to remove some of the largest snow piles at the School and the Transfer Station to improve visibility. Road Commissioner Savoie had said he would not do it without being paid. The Selectmen agreed to have Savoie do it and take the money out of his Road Commissioner budget.~~

#### CORRECTION TO MEETING NOTES FOR FEBRUARY 10, 2015

Regarding the removal of snow piles around the School and the Transfer Station, I had written, "Road Commissioner Savoie had said he would not do it without being paid. The Selectmen agreed to have Savoie do it and take the money out of his Road Commissioner budget."

I should have remembered the Charlie Collins is the Road Commissioner this year. Mr. Savoie is the snow plow contractor and he would not remove the piles without being paid to do so, presumably because it was not part of his contract with the Town. The Selectmen requested that Mr. Collins remove the snow and take it from his Road Commissioner budget.

My apologies to all. And thanks to all who pointed out the error to me. Rick Freeman

There was extensive discussion of draft ads asking for bids on the two snowplowing contracts for Municipal areas and the Town Roads. It was agreed to place ads in the Times Record on February 19, 20, 26, and 27 with bids to be due by 5 PM on March 9. Bids will be opened at the Selectmen's meeting on March 10 with the contractors to be selected on March 24.

The next meeting of the Selectmen will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, February 23 at the Town Office.

Prepared and distributed by Rick Freeman