

REPORT ON THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING OF June 11, 2013

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THE MEETING: There were 3 members of the public present. Note: Kate MacKay and Glen Irish also attended for short scheduled sessions (see below).

The minutes of the meeting of May 28, 2013 were approved.

MOST IMPORTANT/INTERESTING ITEMS: In my judgment, the following items were the most important things covered during the meeting.

- Mr. Van Tuinan is still reviewing a number of re-assessing requests including Bruce Montgomery & Wanda Haddock, James Lang, Peter & Paula Backiel.
- Bill and Mary attended the county hearing on the Gray abatement request. They described the hearing as well run. In the end, Ms Gray realized that she didn't have adequate evidence and she has withdrawn the request.
- The Final Report from the UNH Groundwater Assessment study has been received and can be reviewed at the Town Office.
- The Selectmen received a letter from Sandy & Ole Jaeger concerned that there was no "Candidate Night" before this year's town election. It was not scheduled because there were no contested positions until Cathy Collins ran as a write-in candidate. Bill commented that we probably should have a candidate night even if there are no contested positions. It will give people a chance to question those running for office. This position was agreed to and the recommendation will be passed to the Rec Committee who organize candidate night.
- Kate MacKay came to the meeting to discuss an issue with feral cats. She had taken a number of cats to the Midcoast Humane Society in Brunswick and they did not accept them, apparently because Georgetown is changing to Lincoln County in July. It was agreed that Geoff would write a letter of concern noting that we have a contract until June 30th and they are obligated to honor it.
- Glen Irish, representing WoodEx, came to the meeting to discuss an engineering study which will be

conducted by CMP. WoodEx needs more power and they are investigating alternatives, one of which is for CMP to install a 3-phase line from 127 to their facility. It was noted that 3-phase lines require additional clearance from trees/branches. It was also noted that residents will likely see CMP crews on Bay Point Road conducting the study. Glen noted that, for now, it is just an engineering study.

- The Board reviewed and approved all annual appointments as follows. Note: Except for the CEO/LPI, all appointees are incumbants. Bill thanked Bob Trabona for his work as CEO/LPI.

- Animal Control Officer (ACO) – Kate MacKay
- Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) – Jason Lang
- Licensed Plumbing Inspector (LPI) – Jason Lang
- Fire Chief – Larry Mann
- Harbormaster – George Dufour
- Health Officer – Jane Whittaker
- Shellfish Warden – Jon Hentz
- Emergency Management (EMA) Director – Jerome Gamache
- Alternate CEO/LPI – Michael Kreindler

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mary reported on correspondence received. For a complete listing of this correspondence, see the Meeting Agenda at: www.georgetownme.com/Meeting-Agendas-and-Minutes.php. In my judgement, the most interesting items were:

- A 32 page Maine CDC report advising how to minimize exposure to West Nile Virus.
- A letter from the Sagadahoc County Administrator asking if there is anyone willing to serve on the MCOG (midcoast council of governments) Board of Directors.
- A separate letter from the MCOG seeking nominations to the MCOG general assembly.
- The Sagadahoc Sheriff incident report for May 2013 listing 27 incidents in Georgetown.
- GHS E-newsletter announcing the “super weekend” activities of June 22-23.
- Note advising a memorial celebration for Jack Swift to be held at the GHS Monday, July 29, at 12:30.
- Minutes of the Rec Committee for February 5 and March 5 to be posted on the web site.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Winn Tree Growth application. The MFS response to be discussed in executive session at the end of the meeting. Results to be provided at the next meeting.
- School art has been removed from the town office. Kristin Malin will be putting up her art. Nobody has come forward to be the town gallery director.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Rick Freeman submitted a letter resigning from the Planning Board. In it, he said he will stay on until a suitable replacement is appointed.
- The contract with Lincoln County Animal Shelter was signed. It becomes effective July 1st.
- The 6 month progress report from the Water Resource Project is due July 3rd.
- Jason Lang described a complaint he received from a resident about excessive construction noise from 6 am to 9 pm. He pointed out, to the residents, that Georgetown doesn't have any noise ordinances so there is no action he can take. The Selectmen did not support development of a noise ordinance.
- Jon Hentz and Dale Savoie met with the Board in executive session.

The next meeting of the Selectmen will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, July 9, at the Town Office. There will not be another meeting in June unless urgent business comes up.

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