

REPORT ON THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING OF October 9, 2012

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THE MEETING: There were 2 members of the public present.

The minutes of the meeting of September 25, 2012 and October 2, 2012 were approved.

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

1. Property tax bills were mailed today.

2. House Numbering: The board briefly discussed issues with house numbering. On Loop Road the owner is splitting the property but wants to retain her current address even though it will be out of sequence. Soldier's Point Road was a loop but part of it is now overgrown and unused. The current numbering is backward. In both cases the Board agreed that it is essential that numbering follow the

Ordinance since emergency (fire, ambulance, police) vehicles are dependent on consistency.

3. Replacement alarm system for Five Islands Fire Station: Repairing the current system is expensive and difficult because it is so old. The Fire Department is seeking approval to use the reserve fund to purchase a replacement system. The Board asked that the Fire Department submit a formal request and estimated cost for consideration at a future meeting.

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

The most interesting items were:

Misty Mixon, Sagadahoc EMA invited Georgetown to have emergency personnel participate in the New England Rail Safety Exercise training.

An email from Kristin Malin (MSMA) indicated that Education Commissioner Stephen Bowen is proposing removal of the 10-limit charter school cap, as recommended by Governor LaPage.

The town received a copy of the legal opinion, provided to John Holt by Weiss Law Office, regarding the lease of flats by his property. The state commissioner said that the legal advice was wrong because Weiss got bad advice from the state office. Seeding is covered by state aquaculture regulations. The issue is on the agenda for the next shellfish commission meeting November 1st.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Tree Growth Parcels: The town has sent a letter to the ME Forest Service requesting that they review the forest management and harvesting plans (confidential documents). The letter does not specify a due date and the response date is unknown.

2. Shellfish Commission: The Board is still looking for a non-commercial person to serve on this commission.

The next meeting of the Selectmen will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, October 23, 2012 at the Town Office.

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