REPORT ON THE SELECTBOARD MEETING OF AUGUST 8, 2017

Prepared by Rick Cliffe

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<u>THE MEETING</u>: I was the only member of the public present for the whole meeting. See "benefits" item below.

The minutes of the meeting of July 25, 2017 were approved. They will be posted on the Town website.

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

- **Town Employee Benefits:**Rick Freeman wrote a letter to the Board recommending that (hourly) Town Employees be given benefits. He and Ruth Fisk came to the meeting to support the request. The Board discussed the issue, ultimately deciding to forward the letter to the FAC asking them to investigate what other towns offer and provide an estimate of the cost.
- **Comprehensive Plan Update:** The Board held a workshop Monday evening at which they drafted *mission and operating instructions* for the Central Committee. They reviewed the draft, made a few minor wording changes, and agreed to send it out to residents who have indicated interest in becoming members of the committee. The Board indicated they were not yet ready to define the Central Committee membership or make assignments but said they would do so at the next Selectboard meeting. The Board added a couple of names to the interest list.
- Harbor Master Office Hours: The Harbor Master will be available at the Town Office on Monday mornings, 9-10 am. Residents with any questions will be seen on a first come, first served basis.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mary reported on correspondence received. For a complete listing of this correspondence, see the Meeting Agenda at:<u>www.georgetownme.com/Meeting-Agendas-and-Minutes.php</u>

The most interesting items were:

- US Census Bureau sent a letter to the Town asking if we want to participate in a LUCA (Local Update of Census Addresses) program during the 2020 census. After a short discussion it was agreed Mary would research how much extra work is involved for discussion at the next Board meeting.
- U Maine forwarded the Maine Policy Review for Spring 2017. It's available in the Town office if anyone is interested in reviewing.
- Sagadahoc County Sheriff provided the July incident report. There were 34 incidents; well above the norm (low-20s).

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Board and Committee Openings:** If you have interest in volunteering, please contact one of the Selectboard members or Mary/Amanda at the Town Office.
 - Planning Board 1 member and 2 alternates (critical need)
 - Board of Appeals 2 alternates
 - Financial Advisory Committee 1 member
 - Harbor Committee 2 alternates
 - Recreation Committee 1 member immediately; 1 member in fall to replace Lisa
- **Sagadahoc Bay Access:** This was a brief follow-up to discussion at the last Selectboard meeting. After a short discussion, the Board agreed to seek legal advice. Mary will pull together a copy of relative documentation for counsel review.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Catering Permit: Frontier Group was granted a permit for August 19that Overlook
- Amphitheater behind GCS: The Board discussed a letter from John Poletto regarding potential construction of an amphitheater on the school grass area outside the music room. They agreed that the issue should be coordinated through the School Committee.

UPCOMING EVENTS/DATES:

Date & Time	Event	Place	Comment
Saturday,	8 8	GCS and First	Inside and outside events.
August 12, 10-2		Church	Rain or shine.

The next meeting of the Selectboard will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, August 22 at the Town Office.

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Follow-up to Selectboard Notes - 8/8/2017

In the notes for the Selectboard meeting of 8/8/2017, I included a very brief "New Business" item that read as follows.

Amphitheater behind GCS: The Board discussed a letter from John Polletto regarding potential construction of an amphitheater on the school grass area outside the music room. They (Board) agreed that the issue should be coordinated through the School Committee.

Last weekend at the Working League Fair, Mr. and Mrs. Polletto had a booth setup that included an architect's rendering of the proposed outdoor amphitheater and indoor rearrangement of the music/art room. A PDF copy of the rendering is attached to this email for your information. It better describes the proposed project(s). GIEF is helping the Pollettos get Committee/Board approval and community support/funding to implement these projects in memory of their daughter, Beth, who taught music at the school.

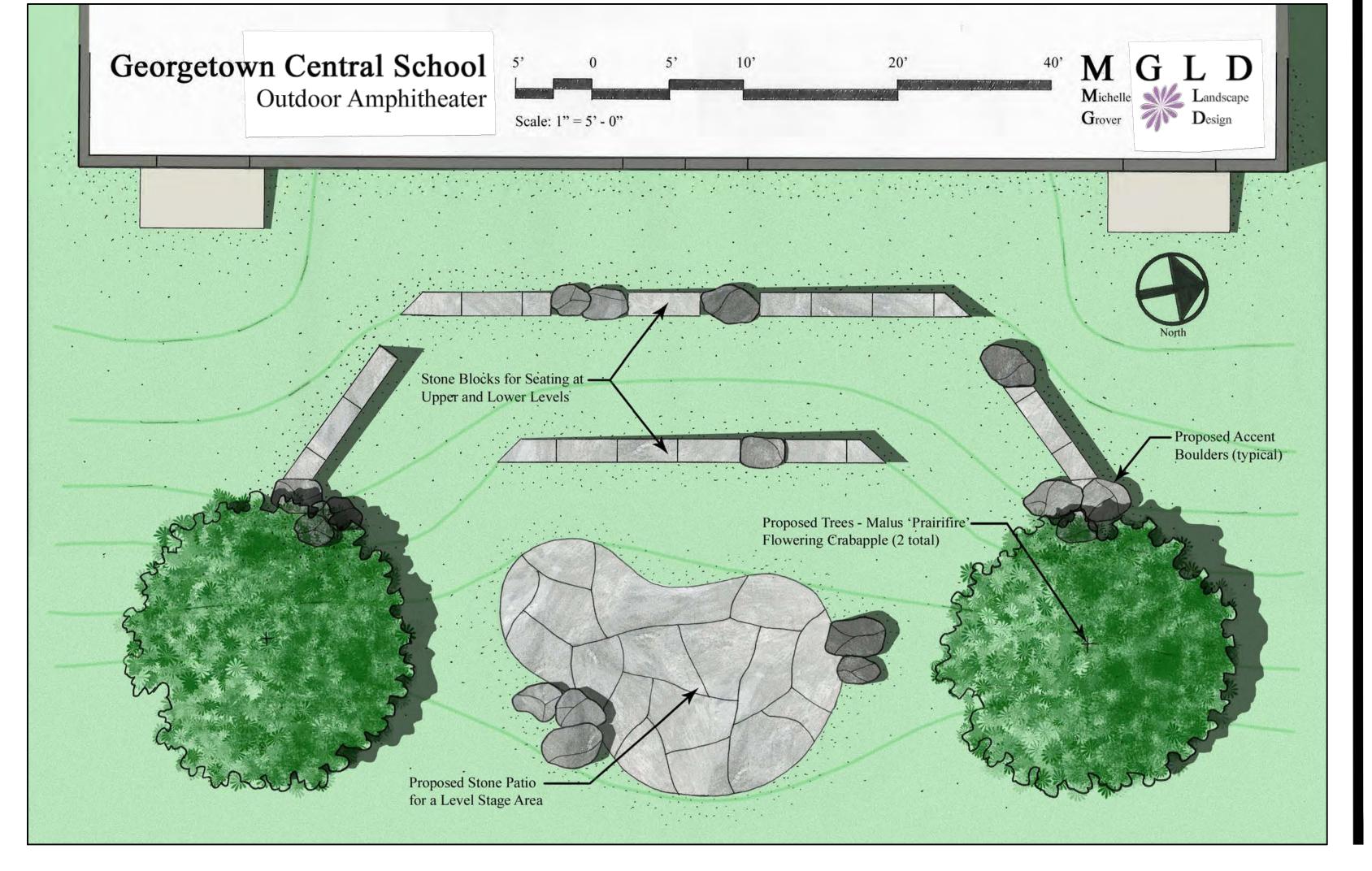
I'm amdistributing this email and attachment for information. I am not personally involved in the proposed project.

Rick Cliffe



Improvements to Outdoor Space

- Amphitheater with
 smooth Mystic
 Mountain Stone
 steps and accent
 boulders
- Shade trees
 (Flowering
 Crabapple)
- Mystic Mountain
 Stone stage flush
 with grade
- Estimated cost \$41,000



Improvements to Art/Music Space



- Sloped ceiling above stage to reflect sound
- Storage between Art and Music to help define spaces
- Window in Storage Room to create a Rehearsal space
- New speakers in Gymnasium
- Estimated cost \$30,000 to \$35,000

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