

REPORT ON THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING OF August 13, 2013

Prepared by Rick Cliffe

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THE MEETING: There were 3 members of the public present.

The minutes of the meeting of July 23, 2013 were approved. They will be posted on the Town website this week.

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

Public Hearing to review and approve the General Assistance Ordinance Appendices and Updates: There was no public comment/question. There was a very brief discussion between the Board and Mary, basically summarizing that appendices (anticipated expenditures) were consistent with the recent past. The Appendices were approved 3-0.

John Hentz comments on school security: Mr. Hentz advised the Board that he has attended the same hostage rescue training as the local sheriff's department and he offered his services as a first responder – carrying a weapon – in the event there was ever an incident at the school. After a short discussion, the Board unanimously agreed that the sheriff's department has a team of specially trained personnel on-call who can/will respond very quickly. They think this approach is better than depending on a single individual.

Kosalka permit issues: Mary distributed a letter received from Eric Kosalka that addressed each of the issues previously discussed at a Board meeting and documented in a Board letter in May. The Board and Jason Lang (CEO) discussed each of the 5 specific issues, ultimately agreeing that further clarification is required on several. Mary will prepare a follow-up letter, to be signed by Bill, requesting specific clarification. The Board agreed it was likely that a follow-up meeting in September would probably be appropriate.

Town Seal and Bell: Mary noted that both the town seal and bell had been cleaned/repared and returned to

their proper location at the school. She advised that numerous people have been involved and should be formally thanked by the community at some sort of celebration (to be determined).

Trio Licenses: The Board approved a request from Tax Collector, Cathy Collins, for additional Trio licenses (motorcycle, RVs and heavy truck excise modules) at a cost of \$650. This will enable residents to register locally rather than going to the DMV.

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:

Certificates of Completion for Hazardous and Special Waste training for James Coombs, Larry Mullins and John O'Leary.

Notice of Conservation Opening of southwest lobe of Robinhood Cover for August 12-16 only.

Notice requesting assistance on a survey of invasive green crabs to be accomplished August 28th.

Notice from ME DOT that Local Road Assistance Program will be reduced by \$6316.

Letter from Pam Hile, County Administrator, acknowledging dismissal of Katherine Gray abatement appeal.

Letter from Pam Hile, County Administrator, indicating contact by Bruce Montgomery about appeal of their abatement request. Mary was notified that they will require copies of all correspondence/documents if/when they receive the application.

Letter from Fields for our Future advising that the turf field is in and there will be a celebration at half-time of the first home football game September 13th.

An updated Georgetown Transfer Station and Recycling Center flyer has been published. It identifies specific items that they will, or will not, take.

The Conservation Committee identified two upcoming events:

- August 20, GHS, Future Climate and Weather in Georgetown.
- September 26, GCC, Discussion of forest harvesting plans for Ipcar Preserve and Round the Cove. This local meeting is a prerequisite to meeting with the State.

OLD BUSINESS:

Martin CEO Violations: Bill received a check from Mr. Martin to cover the cost of permits and fines. Jason agreed he will work with Mr. Martin to complete the paperwork and verify the buildings meet ordinances.

Waiver for Art Displays: A draft was received from Counsel. Geoff expressed concern about including “misplacement of artwork”. After a brief discussion the Board agreed to approve the document.

Board and Committee Needs: Patty Kimball advised that she is not relocating so she will remain on the Financial Aid Committee.

The next meeting of the Selectmen will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, August 27th at the Town Office.

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