

FREEMAN'S REPORT ON THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2014

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THE MEETING: There was one member of the public present. The minutes of the meeting of August 26 were approved.

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:

From Maine Department of Environmental Protection reporting the results of sampling of the Town well in Five Islands. No petroleum was detected. They will take one more sample.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bill Plummer reported that he and a carpenter had thoroughly inspected the First Baptist Church and found it to be in good shape except as noted below. He said that he was glad that the Town had not turned the building into offices and that it was time to decide what the Town wanted to do with the building. His preference was to make it available for weddings, funerals, musical performances, and the like. The ceiling should be insulated to keep heating costs down. The next steps should be to cut a hole in the floor for inspection and to have an electrician inspect the electrical system. The Selectmen voted to take these next steps.

NEW BUSINESS:

Harbor Master George Dufour came in to get advice on a question. He has received calls from the Army Corps of Engineers about a neighbor's complaint about a float or dock for which there did not appear to be a valid permit. It was Bill Plummer's and Dolores Pinette's recollection that the structure predated any requirements for permits. The Selectmen's advice was to tell the Corps of Engineers that they should deal with any complaints since it would be an enforcement matter.

There were reports of an illegal outhouse close to the shore and possible squatters on a lot on the east side of Robinhood Cove. It was decided to have the Sheriff's Department deal with the outhouse and to notify the property owners about possible trespass.

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

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