

## FREEMAN'S REPORT ON THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING OF October 22 , 2013

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THE MEETING: There were two members of the public present plus the Codes Enforcement Officer (CEO). The minutes of the Selectmen's meeting of October 8 were approved.

MOST IMPORTANT/INTERESTING ITEM: In my judgment, the following item was the most important thing covered during the meeting:

It was announced that the site visit on the Haddock-Montgomery request for a tax abatement on their property on the Loop Road will be Friday, October 25 at 9:30 AM; the public hearing will be at 11 AM. The Selectmen also discussed and agreed on responses to two technical questions from the Board of Review.

### 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](http://www.georgetownme.com/Meeting-Agendas-and-Minutes.php)

The most interesting items were:

- a copy of a letter to John and Deborah Darling stating that their application for a subdivision approval was complete. This involves their property on the east side of Harmon's Harbor at the end of Oak Road. Under our Subdivision Ordinance, they require approval since the property will have been divided into three parcels within a five year period. There are no plans for construction or new roads. Mary also reported that the abutters had been notified and there were no requests for a public hearing.

- Jay Holt reported that the Coastal Cleanup had been carried out on the weekend of October 5-6. 33 People participated including 16 Bowdoin students; 500 lbs of trash were picked up; and 11.3 miles of shoreline were covered. It was noted that the quantity of trash has been declining in recent years.

### NEW BUSINESS:

1. CEO Jason Lang reported that he had received a letter from the Bath Savings Institution asking whether a lot with two dwellings on it was in compliance with the Town's Minimum Lot Size Ordinance. The CEO had drafted possible responses and wanted the Selectmen's approval of one response. It was noted that there was some confusing language in the Ordinance concerning multiple family housing and that under one possible interpretation, there was a violation of the Ordinance's provisions. This was of no consequence since the existing septic system was sufficient for the two dwellings. The Selectmen authorized the CEO to respond that the Town will take no action on the matter.

2. Dolores Pinette reported that when she had been at the wharf in Five Islands she had noticed a sheen on the

water. The Harbormaster was called. He put out booms to contain the materials. The Department of Environmental Protection and Coast Guard sent people to investigate. It was not diesel fuel. There were no signs of leakage from any of the boats in the harbor. There was no indication of what the material was or where it had come from. She reported that matters were under control, there was no cost to the Town, and no further action was called for.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Selectmen then went into executive session (see the Agenda).

The polls will be open from 8 AM to 8 PM on Tuesday, November 5. There apparently are bond issues on the ballot.

The next meeting of the Selectmen will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, Tuesday, November 12 at the Town Office.

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