



TOWN OF WESTPORT ISLAND
6 Fowles Point Road
Westport Island, ME 04578

Office of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Town of Westport Island
Board of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers Meeting
February 5, 2018

Present:

Selectmen: George D. Richardson, Jr., Gerald Bodmer and Ross Norton

Citizens: Reggie Lee, Bill Cooney, Tom Cromwell

Guests: Jane Carpenter (Boothbay Register), Charlotte Boynton (Lincoln County News), Robert Fairfield

Meeting Convened: George called the meeting to order at 07:00 p.m.

1. Opening of bids for Town Hall Painting:

The bids were opened at 7:00 p.m.

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| 1) Dave's Custom Painting | \$4,550.00 | \$2,275.00 up front |
| 2) Island Home Improvement | \$4,900.00 | |

George motioned to accept Dave's Custom Painting bid for \$4,550.00 with proof of insurance; Jerry, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

Abatement Application Hearing Convened: George opened the hearing at 7:15 p.m.

2. Abatement Hearing with Tom Cromwell (Althea Cromwell) Map 5, Lot 35.02A: Tom requested an abatement based on access to and quality of the lot. The Town does not assess access to lots when the lot is not an improved lot. George motioned to deny the request for abatement; Ross, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

George motioned to adjourn the hearing at 7:42 p.m.; Jerry, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

Regular Meeting Convened: George motioned to convene the regular business meeting at 7:46 p.m.

Business Conducted:

1. Warrant: George motioned to approve Warrant Nos. 66 & 67 for a total of \$25,574.99 (Payroll No. 66 - \$1,406.17; Accounts Payable No. 67 - \$24,168.82; Jerry, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

2. Minutes: George motioned to accept the minutes of January 29, 2018; Ross, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

3. New Fire Chief Appointment: George motioned to appoint Stacey Hutchison as Fire Chief; Jerry, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

4. Shellfish Committee Appointment: George motioned to appoint John Wallace as an Alternate to the Shellfish Committee and place an ad in the paper for volunteers; Jerry, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

5. Comprehensive Planning Committee Appointments: George motioned to make the following appointments to the Comprehensive Planning Committee:

Dennis Dunbar, Conservation Commission
Dick Barker, Planning Board
Jerry Bodmer, Plumbing/Groundwater Protection
Gary Richardson, Code Enforcement
Jeffery Tarbox, History Committee
Bob Mooney, Fire Department/Public Safety
Jason Kates, Cable Contract Negotiating Committee/Web Connectivity
James Cromwell, Road Committee
Bud Gallagher, Harbor Master
Richard DeVries, Wright Landing Committee

Jerry, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

6. LD 1629, An Act to Protect the Elderly from Tax Lien Foreclosures: George motioned to send a letter to Sen. Dana Dow and the Taxation Committee regarding the impact of elements of this bill on a small town like Westport Island; Jerry, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

Meeting Adjourned: George motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.; Jerry, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

George D. Richardson, Jr.
1st Selectman

Gerald Bodmer
2nd Selectman

Ross Norton
3rd Selectman