



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

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**Office of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor**

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**Town of Westport Island**  
**Board of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers Meeting**  
**April 27, 2020**

**Present:**

**Selectmen:** George D. Richardson, Jr, Ross Norton and Jerry Bodmer via Uber Telephone Conference

**Citizens:** Julie Casson (Town Clerk), Jason Kates, Gaye Wagner (Deputy EMA Director), Mary Coventry, Dennis Dunbar, Ralph Jacobs, Joanna Jacobs, Jeff Tarbox, Dick Tucker, Mary Ellen Barnes, Pat Smith, Dedee Greenleaf-Hodgdon (Municipal Agent), and E. Davies Allan via Uber Telephone Conference

**Guests:** Charlotte Boynton (Lincoln County News), Martha Hayward (Tax Collector & Treasurer) via Uber Telephone Conference

**Meeting Convened:** George called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

**Board of Selectman Business Conducted:**

1. **Warrant:** George motioned to approve Warrant Nos. 87 & 88 for a total of \$3,268.83 (Payroll No.87 - \$1,912.08, Accounts Payable No. 88 - \$1,356.75); Jerry, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.
2. **Minutes:** George motioned to approve the minutes of March 23, 2020; Ross, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.
3. **Citizen's Issues:** None
4. **Municipal Election:** George motioned to set the date for the municipal election to correspond with the State Primary/Referendum election on July 14, 2020 at the Town Hall; Ross, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.
5. **Invitation of Moderator for Town Meeting:** George made a motion to invite Chris Cooper to moderate Town Meeting; Ross, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.
6. **Town Meeting Warrant Articles:** George motioned to set a tentative date for the Town Meeting warrant articles for July 18, 2020 at 9:00 am; Jerry, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.
7. **Impact of COVID-19 on Town Activities:** The Selectman discussed that some activities such as assessing will not be able to take place until it is safe.

- 8. Baker Road Court Case Status:** Jerry gave an update as to the status the Lincoln County District Attorney's Office and the Sheriff's Office gave him. The courts are operating under the State's restrictions & guidelines for emergencies vs non-emergencies and this case will tentatively proceed in the courts in July.
- 9. Wright House Heat Pump:** Dyer Electric recommended a heat pump system be installed to cover the back bedrooms and the dining/living room areas. The Town has money from the Doggett Trust and George has been in touch with the trustees, Calvin Cromwell and William Cooney. Calvin has already given his approval. George motioned to pay Dyer Electric up to \$5,950.00 from the Doggett Trust funds and \$2,500.00 from a donation by E. Davies Allan for a total of up to \$8,450 for the heat pump and installation; Jerry, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.
- 10. Wright House Humidity, Temperature, and Motion Detectors:** George motioned to authorize Mary Coventry to speak with Cunningham Security about the cost of installing humidity, temperature, and motion detectors in the back bedrooms of the Wright House. George and Jerry mentioned that they would like to be in attendance at the meeting; Ross, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.
- 11. Memorandum of Understanding between History Committee and Friends of Westport Island History:** Per articles 6 & 7 of last year's Town Meeting warrant, George motioned to approve the memorandum of understanding drawn up between the Island's History Committee and the newly formed non-profit Friends of Westport Island History; Jerry, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.
- 12. Spirit of America Award:** George motioned to table this discussion for this time; Ross, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.
- 13. North End Road Status:** George motioned this discussion until next week's meeting; Ross, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.
- 14. Display Signs for Bicentennial Grant:** Jeff Tarbox updated the Selectmen about the display signs on town property that the History Committee will be posting at Town Hall, Clough Point, and The Ferry Landing being provided for by the Bicentennial Grant for Maine 2000.
- 15. Other Business:** The Selectmen will continue to meet virtually until safe to meet in person using the conference software. Julie Casson, Town Clerk, was informed that she could respond to the Lincoln County News request for the calendar.

George advised Jerry that he would contact The Road Committee Chairman, James Cromwell, regarding the status of the Phase One work road yet to be finished.

- 16. Meeting Adjourned:** George motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 pm; Jerry, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

George D. Richardson, Jr.  
1<sup>st</sup> Selectman

Gerald Bodmer  
2<sup>nd</sup> Selectman

Ross Norton  
3<sup>rd</sup> Selectman