

## 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 May 18, 2020 Via Uber Telephone Conference

**Present:** 

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

Citizens: Julie Casson (Town Clerk), Gaye Wagner (Deputy EMA Director), Jason Kates,

Mary Coventry, Jeff Tarbox, Richard DeVries, Ralph Jacobs, Laurie Donovan,

Susan Richardson

Guests: Charlotte Boynton (Lincoln County News), Susan Johns (Wiscasset Newspaper)

**Meeting Convened:** George called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

## **Board of Selectman Business Conducted:**

- 1. Warrant: George motioned to approve Warrant Nos. 93 & 94 for a total of \$81,880.11 (Payroll No. 93 \$5,166.49, Accounts Payable No. 94 \$76,713.62); Jerry, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.
- 2. Minutes: George motioned to approve the minutes of May 11, 2020; Ross, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.
- **3.** Correspondence: George has continued sharing notices from Maine Municipal Association (MMA) with staff and Selectmen as they are updated with changes from the state.
- **4. Citizen's Issues:** George shared that Jason Kates, Chair of the Broadband and Cable Committee, submitted the following warrant article to the selectmen: "To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$20,000 for expenses related to expanding broadband internet access to all of Westport Island; including consultant fees and other costs incurred in connection with the process of applying for state or federal grants."
- **5. Phase 1 Road Work Update:** George reported that roadwork will be starting on Doggett Road this week.
- **6.** Cunningham Security Updates: George advised that the cell phone service for the Wright House would be \$43.59 per month or \$523.00 per annum dependent upon cell service working in that location. Mary Coventry reported that she would look into that and confirmed that we had 90 days to approve and sign the purchase agreement with Cunningham Security.
- 7. Wright House Updates: Richard DeVries reported that the cost to replace the door to the bathroom would be \$163.00.

- **8. North End Road:** George reported that Town Attorney, James Katsiaficas, was drafting warrant articles for review by the Selectmen.
- **9. Other Business:** The Selectmen will not be meeting on Monday, May 25, 2020 due to Memorial Day. They will advise Town Clerk, Julie Casson on June meetings by May 26, 2020.
- 10. Meeting Adjourned: George motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm; Jerry, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

George D. Richardson, Jr. 1st Selectman

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

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