



TOWN OF WESTPORT ISLAND
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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
June 22, 2020
Via Uber Telephone Conference

Present:

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

Citizens: Julie Casson (Town Clerk), Gaye Wagner (Deputy EMA Director), Jeff Tarbox, Ralph Jacobs, Jason Kates, Richard DeVries, and Richard Tucker

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

Meeting Convened: George called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Board of Selectman Business Conducted:

- 1. Warrant:** George motioned to approve Warrant Nos. 103 & 104 for a total of \$185,306.10 (Payroll No. 103 - \$4,622.71; Accounts Payable No. 104 - \$180,683.39); Ross, 2nd; vote: 2-0.
- 2. Minutes:** George motioned to approve the minutes of June 15, 2020; Ross, 2nd; vote: 2-0.
- 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. Town Meeting:** George made a motion that Town Meeting is preliminarily set to be held at Town Hall as long as we legally can do so. A decision will be held until next weeks Selectmen's meeting after the Keeping Maine Healthy Grant has been submitted and acknowledged. Ross, 2nd; vote: 2-0.
- 5. Keeping Maine Healthy Grant Application:** Gaye Wagner, Deputy EMA Director, explained the Keeping Maine Healthy Grant application that is being submitted to Maine's Department of Economic and Community Development for funds to defray the cost of town meeting and to help with doing business on Westport Island for both municipal business and businesses that interact with summer visitors, by helping with promoting public education and public health guidelines.

As Gaye explained, The Town will be applying for assistance in the total of between \$4,500 to \$5,000 to help with expenses for Town Meeting (to help with the expense of AV equipment, PPE, and other expenses to create the two room space we need to hold a town meeting), Town Office, Town buildings and properties, and working with on-island businesses that interact with visitors for posters and hand sanitizing stations and more. WE WANT TO KEEP WESTPORT ISLAND HEALTHY!

George made a motion to approve the application to be submitted. Ross, 2nd; vote: 2-0.

6. **Appointment(s):** George made a motion to make Dick Barker a full member of the Planning Board for a 3-year term. Dick has been an alternate member and will now be a full member. Ross, 2nd; vote: 2-0.
7. **Citizen's Issues:** Jeff Tarbox asked if there was a decision made yet about how Town Meeting would be held. George informed Jeff that no decision has been made as of yet.
8. **Other Business:** Richard DeVries asked the Selectmen if there were any funds or source of funds to replace the seven (7) crank windows at the Wright House. He estimates that the total cost would be \$1,400 for the windows. He did request \$1,000 from the Westport Community Association (WCA). George mentioned the possibility of using funds from the Wright House account, and requested Richard let him know after he hears from the WCA and to then set up a meeting to discuss. George then thanked Richard and everyone involved for all the hard worked that they have put in and commended them on the great job.

George also requested Richard research the cost and type of generator needed at the Wright House now that they are on electric heat.

9. **Meeting Adjourned:** George motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 pm; Ross, 2nd; vote: 2-0.

Respectfully submitted,

George D. Richardson, Jr.
1st Selectman

Gerald Bodmer
2nd Selectman

Ross Norton
3rd Selectman