



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

Office of the Select Board, Board of Assessors, & Overseers of the Poor

Town of Westport Island
Selectboard, Assessors and Overseers Meeting
Convened at Town Office, 6 Fowles Point Road, Westport Island, ME 04578
July 31, 2023

Present:

Select Board: Donna Curry, Lisa Jonassen, Jeff Tarbox (via Zoom)

Citizens: Jeff Exter, Gary Webber, Adam Webber, Mario DePietro (via Zoom) Jim Cromwell (Road Commissioner), April Thibodeau (Town Clerk)

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

Business Conducted:

1. Warrant:

- Donna motioned to approve the Payroll Warrant #10 for \$1,907.06; Lisa 2nd; Vote: 3-0
- Donna motioned to approve the Accounts Payable Warrant #11 for \$2,962.50 (Baker Rd. attorney fees); Lisa 2nd; Vote 3-0:
- Donna motioned to approve the Accounts Payable Warrant #12 for \$1,414.32; Lisa 2nd; Vote 3-0:
- Donna motioned to approve the Accounts Payable Warrant #13 For \$689.25; Lisa 2nd; Vote 3-0:

2. Minutes:

- Donna motioned to approve the minutes of the 7/24/31 Select Board Meeting; Lisa 2nd; Vote 3-0:

3. Citizen's Issues: None

4. Staff Health Benefits:

- Compared MMA plans to other plans with help of local insurance specialist Tom Porter
- Donna motioned to offer to current staff the MMA PPO 500 health insurance policy with 100% employee coverage, 80% family coverage, and a buy back option of 40%; Lisa 2nd; Vote 3-0

5. **3-Day Town Office Schedule:** Donna motioned to change the Town Office open hours to Tues. 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Wed. 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, and Thurs. 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM effective 10/1/23; Lisa 2nd; Vote 3-0
6. **Baker Road Update:** Donna shared that the Consent Agreement was signed.
7. **Roads:** Jim Cromwell reported that Jack Shaw has been spreading gravel on the worst spots on dirt roads. Driveways have been beveled on Greenleaf and East Shore Roads, with shouldering happening soon. Crooker has finished paving those roads and came in \$745.00 under the estimate. The DOT started paving Main Rd. this morning. Jim has added two 35 mph signs on the paved section of East Shore Rd.
8. **Correspondence:** Lisa reported that the Select Board received a request from the Lincoln County Regional Planning Commission asking them to write a letter of support for a grant for federal housing-related technical assistance to Lincoln County towns including assistance for re-writing ordinances; Lisa motioned to write a letter of support; Donna 2nd; Vote 3-0
9. **Administrative Items:**
 - Donna motioned to appoint Gary Webber Deputy Constable; Lisa 2nd; Vote 3-0
 - Donna motioned to appoint Allan Doman to Broadband & Technology Committee; Lisa 2nd; Vote 3-0
 - Donna reported that the State Legislature has repealed the senior tax stabilization program. Anyone who applied and was approved will still receive the freeze on their 2023 tax bill. There will be no re-application process. There are two other tax relief programs that people can still apply for, and the town will share information about those.
10. **Other Legal Business:**
 - Donna reported that they have not heard back from the Longobardis and will follow up with their attorney.
 - Jim requested that thank you notes be sent to the people who allowed the road crews to park vehicles on their property during the recent road improvements. April will work on that.
11. **Adjournment:** Donna motioned to adjourn; Lisa 2nd; Vote: 3-0; Meeting adjourned at 7:29 PM.

Minutes taken and prepared by Town Clerk April Thibodeau.

A True Copy, Attest: _____