



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

**Office of the Select Board**

**Town of Westport Island**  
**Public Hearing & Meeting of the Select Board**  
**January 3, 2022**

**Present:**

**Select Board:** George Richardson, Jeff Tarbox, and Ross Norton

**Citizens:** Julie Casson (Town Clerk), Richard DeVries, and Jason Kates

**Guests:**

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

**Select Board Business Conducted:**

- 1. Warrant:** George motioned to approve Payroll Warrant No. 56 for \$4,450.06; Jeff, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0; and then made a motion to approve Accounts Payable Warrant No. 57 for \$28,248.57; Jeff, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.
- 2. Minutes:** George motioned to approve the minutes of December 27, 2021; Ross, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 2-0, Jeff abstained.
- 3. Correspondence:** None.
- 4. Citizen's Issues:** None.
- 5. Wright House Oil Tank:** Richard DeVries gave his insights to the Board on the oil tank at the Wright House that Tim Jarrett deemed to be leaking and needed replacing. Richard advised that the tank is no older than 49 years and he inspected it last year and found there to be no leaking. It was just filled with 250 gallons with no issue. He said the thickness of the tank could not be determined without ultrasound. Richard suggested he clean it and put steel putty around the valve. If the Board wants to replace, he will get an estimate from Redlon & Johnson. George agreed to let Richard clean the tank and putty the valve. George also asked Richard to get an itemized statement for replacing the tank when the oil is gone next year.
- 6. Lincoln County Hazard Mitigation Plan:** Jeff commended everyone for all the work that was involved on the Westport Island portion of the plan and George made a motion to thank everyone involved for their work; Ross, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.

George motioned to approve the Lincoln County Hazard Mitigation Plan; Jeff, 2<sup>nd</sup>; vote: 3-0.

7. **Sand & Salt Shed Generator:** Ross informed the Board that we received the generator for the Sand & Salt Shed. He has reviewed the manual and will work on getting the oil, an extra sparkplug, plug to plug the extension cord into. Jason Kates will work on getting the propane tank. Ross said he will work on installation on Tuesday if he has the day off.
8. **Town Clerk's Updates:** Julie had not heard back from Maine Municipal Association (MMA) regarding the single public hearing as the attorney she was discussing the remote participation policy with has been on vacation. Julie suggested each committee just make their next meeting open to the public with notice to allow for adoption of the policy.
9. **Other Legal Business:** Jeff reported to the Board that Bakers Road is still not being completely plowed beyond the top of the hill to the culvert. Jeff spoke with Garry and he was told that he has no intent of plowing and that it is unsafe even though the property owner has given permission to turn around at the top of the property. George said that he has a contract to plow and if he does not; then he will have to find a someone else who is fully insured to plow and take it out of his contract. Otherwise, he will need to come before the Board.

Jeff also requested an update on the other Bakers Road issues and if there were any more legal resolutions. George is going to have further discussions with James Katsiaficas, the Town's attorney.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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

Jeffery H. Tarbox  
2<sup>nd</sup> Selectman

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