

**Town of Westport Island
Board of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers Meeting
July 7, 2014**

Present:

Selectmen: George D. Richardson, Jr., Gerald A. Bodmer, and Ross Norton

Citizens: Gary Richardson

Guests: Charlotte Boynton (Lincoln County News) and Robert Fairfield

Meeting Convened:

1. George called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Business Conducted:

2. Warrant: George motioned to approve Warrant No. 1 for a total of \$75,299.68. (Payroll-\$550.00; Accounts Payable-\$74,749.68); Ross, 2nd; vote: 2-0. George abstained.

3. Board of Selectmen Minutes: Jerry motioned to accept the minutes of June 23, 2014; Ross, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

4. Citizen's Issues: Code Enforcement Officer Gary Richardson advised of a complaint that he had received regarding a potential violation of a shed being too close to the abutters' property line. George motioned that Gary send a letter to the owner of the property located at Map 6, Lot 25 (Norman & Doris Schroeder) requesting that they submit an application for a building permit showing compliance with the shoreland zoning ordinance as well as advise Schroeder's realtor of the potential problem; Jerry 2nd, vote: 3-0.

5. Limited Development District Area Issue: George advised that Dennis Dunbar (member Website & Mapping Committee) be contacted to determine acreage for assessing on properties in Limited Development District areas; Jerry, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

6. Elect Chair of the Board of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers: Jerry motioned to appoint George D. Richardson, Jr. as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers from July 1, 2014, until June 30, 2015; Ross, 2nd; vote: 2-0. George abstained.

7. 2014 Committee Appointments: George motioned to appoint Westport Island residents to the attached list of committees, boards or positions with terms as shown; Ross, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

8. Snow Removal Contract: George motioned that the Board of Selectmen sign the 3-year snow removal contract awarded to G & D Cromwell; Ross, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

9. Local Road Assistance (L.R.A.) Form: George motioned the Board of Selectmen sign the L.R.A. Program form to apply for 2014-2015 estimated Westport Island reimbursement funds of an estimated \$25,696.00; Ross, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

10. Town Office Building Repair: George advised that two bids were received (Chris Malliet - \$4,900.00 and Gary Richardson - \$4,324.80) to repair the damage to the Town Office caused by the recent auto accident. The driver's insurance company approved the low bid and Gary Richardson was advised of same.

11. Wright Landing House Problems: George was advised of several problems by the tenant, Ann Dowrick, and advised that he would contact Richard DeVries to look into the issues and advise the Board of Selectmen of his findings.

12. Legislative Policy Committee at the Maine Municipal Association: George motioned to appoint Stuart Smith and Harry Lowd to the committee; Ross, 2nd; vote: 2-1.

13. Town Office & Fire Department Water Testing: George advised that the recent test results for the well that feeds both the Town Office and the Fire Department determined that the well is no longer contaminated and is now fit for drinking.

14. Overboard Discharge Sewage Disposal Permit Applications: George advised that permit applications had been received for the overboard discharges used by Clement Sledge (Map 1, Lot 34.1) and Richard Wills (Map 1, Lot 42).

15. Letters of Thanks: The Board of Selectmen signed letters of thanks to Chairman David Soule and Member David Bradford for their years spent on the Harbor Committee prior to their recent resignations.

16. Brushing Town Roads and Mowing Town Hall & Town Office Lawns: Under consideration and to be discussed at the next Board of Selectmen meeting.

Meeting Adjourned:

17. George motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.; Jerry, 2nd; vote: 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

George D. Richardson, Jr.
1st Selectman

Gerald A. Bodmer
2nd Selectman

Ross Norton
3rd Selectman