

SELECTMEN'S MEETING SUMMARY

October 17, 2012

At 7:00 pm, prior to the weekly selectmen's meeting, Chairman Wesley Daniel opened a public hearing for the proposed adoption of Maine Municipal Association Appendix C as an amendment to the Town of Washington General Assistance Ordinance. The appendix establishes income guidelines for general assistance applications. Two selectmen and one citizen were present. After one question from a citizen, the public hearing was closed at 7:02 pm.

The weekly selectmen's meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Selectman Wesley Daniel with Selectmen Donald Grinnell also present. Selectman Duane Vigue was absent.

The summary of the October 10, 2012, selectmen's meeting was approved as written.

The selectmen voted unanimously to approve a payroll warrant of \$2,288.62 and an accounts payable warrant of \$110,890.15 that included the monthly MSAD 40 assessment of \$106,535.07. Machias Savings Bank online banking records as October 17th showed \$100,000 in the operating account and \$843,225.76 in the interest bearing sweep account. Treasurer Ann Dean reported that pending foreclosures due to unpaid taxes were down to four and that she expected those to be paid shortly. The selectmen reviewed the TRIO expense and revenue reports date October 10th.

Jonathan Daniel, Road Commissioner, was absent but provided a written report of his activities October 7 – 13. Truck P-400 is currently at Cushing Diesel for repairs. P-200 will be taken there next week for fuel injection problems. A review of applications for on-call snowplow drivers will be held on October 20th.

Robert Temple, Code Enforcement Officer was present but had no written report. Bob provided the selectmen a draft of a letter to be sent to Berkley and Nancy Linscott regarding a stop work order that had been issues for an unpermitted gravel pit on McDowell Road. The selectmen voted to approve the draft for mailing. Bob also reported that 9 annual mining inspections had been completed.

The selectmen signed the Municipal Valuation Return prepared by Assessor's Agent Millay. This document is sent to the Maine State Bureau of Taxation and allows the town to receive reimbursement for property taxes lost due properties being placed in the tree growth program.

The selectmen announced their decision to delay the dredging the fire pond until next summer due to wet ground conditions.

Upcoming significant dates involving the town:

- A "Ice and Snow Control" workshop will be hosted by Maine Local Roads Center in Belfast on November 1st.
- The Maine Bureau of Labor "Safety Works" will complete voluntary compliance inspections at the fire station and town garage on November 13th.
- Dept. Health and Human Services will conduct its annual inspection of general assistance records on November 20th.
- See the attached sheet for all meeting and public hearing dates for the Knox County Budget Committee.

The selectmen voted unanimously to adopt the proposed Maine Municipal Association Appendix c and an amendment to the Town of Washington General Assistance Ordinance.

With no additional business to come before the board, the selectmen adjourned at 7:30 pm.