

SEPTEMBER 9TH, 2013 MINUTES

Opened at: 6:03 PM

PUBLIC HEARING

TREMONT BOARD OF SELECTMEN

TREMONT TOWN OFFICE, HARVEY KELLEY MEETING ROOM

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 9th, 2013 AT 6:00 PM

THE TREMONT SELECT BOARD HAS SCHEDULED A PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE PUBLIC CONCERNING POSSIBLE CHANGES TO THE TOWN OF TREMONT PARKING ORDINANCE REGARDING PARKING AT AND ADJACENT TO THE BERNARD TOWN DOCK FACILITY.

Mel Atherton spoke about the possibility of charging for overnight parking.

Public Hearing Closed at: 6:06 PM

TOWN OF TREMONT

REGULAR SELECTMEN'S MEETING

TREMONT TOWN OFFICE, HARVEY KELLEY MEETING ROOM

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 9th, 2013

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING PUBLIC HEARING

1. CALL TO ORDER: By Chris Eaton at 6:03 PM

2. ROLL CALL: Christopher Eaton Chairman, James LaPrade Vice Chairman, Robert Lee III, Hugh Gilley, Dean Wass, Carl Young Town Manager, Lynn Wehrfritz Clerk, Greg Dow Harbor Master, and nine residents.

3. ADJUSTMENTS/ADOPTION OF AGENDA none

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Hugh Gilley to approve the minutes of August 26th, second by Dean Wass.

Vote 3 Yes Robert Lee & James LaPrade abstaining

5. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS:

WARRANT #23	6,812.05
WARRANT #24	void
WARRANT #25	180.86
WARRANT #26	436.61
WARRANT #27	11,743.00
WARRANT #28	374,109.08
WARRANT #29	873.66
WARRANT #30	7,114.49

Motion by Robert Lee, to approve the warrants, seconded by Hugh Gilley

Vote 5 Yes 0 No

6. NEW BUSINESS:

A. ACTION ON PUBLIC HEARING

General conversation about parking at the wharf.

Robert Lee spoke against banning overnight parking and points out that there is no clear picture of the parking situation.

Chris Eaton clarified that the discussion is only concerning overnight parking.

Stuart Murphy, former Harbor Master, spoke about the Town's intension at the time the ordinance was passed.

The Town Manager indicated that the existing parking regulations are difficult to enforce.

James LaPrade felt the existing language on page 4 of the Wharf & Harbor ordinance was clear enough and that overnight parking is not allowed without permission of the Harbor Master.

Frank Grey gave his opinion that the Closson property was bought for the use of the wharf and is considered part of the wharf.

Chris Eaton pointed out that the Lawson property is for over night parking.

Motion made by James LaPrade to except the ordinance as written.

Hugh Gilley felt that what properties are covered by what ordinance should be much more clear.

Dean Wass was not in favor of the Harbor Master giving special permission for [parking to only a few.

The motion was made by Chris Eaton to revise the ordinance about overnight parking.

Robert Lee would like to remove the Harbor Master's giving permission to park overnight from the ordinance.

Lee Closson said he bought a 2500.00 permit to park.

Chris Eaton indicated that the permit fee was for use of the dock and facilities.

Art Paine asked that if parking is enforced by selectmen why are we saying now you want the Harbor Committee to make the rules.

There was a general discussion about asking the Harbor Committee's input on the subject as the Selectmen wanted to make sure that any new ruling that worked for all involved.

Jim LaPrade motioned that we accept the way it is covered in the current Wharf Ordinance for the time being, seconded by Hugh Gilley.

3 Yes, Chris Eaton, James LaPrade & Hugh Gilley 2 No, Robert Lee & Dean Wass

B. REPORT BY TREMONT CEMETERY COMMITTEE: a moment taken firemen /back in session with in 2 minutes.

Mr. Frank Gray presented the report to the Board. 2 lawnmowers are needed and Frank asked for a motion by made to purchase them. He suggested larger hind wheels as the grounds are uneven. A motion was made by James LaPrade for Carl to purchase 2 mowers with Cemetery funds Seconded by Hugh Gilley.

Vote 5 Yes 0 No

Frank Gray requested that small markers for unmarked graves be purchased and that George Kelley's grave be marked with a stone. Mr. Gray also wants to see the picket fences be maintained in the future. James LaPrade asked if a professional needed to be hired to draw plots out? Mr. Gray said that it could take several years and suggested getting scouts involved.

The Manager suggested that the present maps need to be digitized to save them.

He would like to have the selectmen appoint a Sexton to sell town lots, as we don't have one at this point.

The Town Manager proposed that the deputy clerk be made as a job description the Sexton for the Town and be compensated for it.

Chris asked if the deputy Clerk would be willing to take this on?

James LaPrade motioned that the Deputy Clerk become the sexton as part of their job description and be paid a fee of \$3000.00 for the year and keep a log of their work. Seconded by Hugh Gilley

Dean would like an hourly fee paid instead. The Town Manager explained that pay for professional Town employees are paid commensurate to their professional abilities & responsibilities and not simply per-hours worked.

Chris Eaton suggested that the pay be set instead at \$2000

All in favor. The selectmen would like the pay set at \$1.00 an hour and a log kept and reports made to the Cemetery Committee and pay be reviewed annually.

Mr. Gray Frank asked for a sign and a fence around the "Head of the Harbor," Cemetery and may need a property survey.

Frank thought that the cemetery committee should pay for the mowing.

The Selectmen agreed.

A motion was made by Jim LaPrade that the cost for mowing cemetery be paid for by the Cemetery Committee seconded by Hugh Gilley.

Vote 5 Yes 0 No

C. TOWN ENGINEER BID PROPOSAL

Motion by James LaPrade to advertise for a” Town Engineer “”for one year with a clause for a two year extension, seconded by Robert Lee

Vote 5 Yes 0 No

D. PLACEMENT OF THE TOWN’S PROPERTY TAX COMMITMENT BOOK ON LINE

Documents presented by the Town Manager from the Town Assessor & Town Clerk. Town Manager Explained advantages and cost savings. Another advantage is the cut down in incoming traffic for the Clerks Motion by James LaPrade to put the property tax lists on the Town’s web-page, second by Hugh Gilley

Vote 5 Yes 0 No

E. DISPOSAL OF TOWN FIREARMS

The Town Manager requested approval to turn the Town’s (2) firearms over to the,” County Sheriff,” for disposal. Motion by James LaPrade to turn the firearms over to the Sheriff, second by Hugh Gilley

Vote 5 Yes 0 No

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. APPOINTMENTS: None

B. REPORT ON ACADIA DISPOSAL DISTRICT REVISED EVALUATION OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT OPTIONS.

Report presented by Mr. Elliott Spiker.

C. REPORT OF PENDING PROJECTS

1. BERNARD ROAD PAVING

Town Manager gave report & presented final invoice.

2. SEPTEMBER 28th HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

Town Manager gave report

8. TOWN MANAGER’S REPORT

A. STATE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR VIOLATIONS

Violations Corrected, traffic control training was 4 days late.

B. LIFE-FLIGHT ACCESS ROAD

Road access has been improved by Public Works crew.

9. SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING

James LaPrade has a class on Mondays and will miss several meetings. Motion by Hugh Gilley to excuse Jim for 12 weeks.

Vote 4 Yes 0 No James LaPrade abstaining.

Robert Lee suggested fee parking for over night spaces on the Closson lot and that Gott’s Island folks are interested and feels tax payers should get 1st dibs. Mr. Lee would like to know if the Town could charge fees for private boat launching. The Town Manager will investigate.

10. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY COME IN LATE AND ARE FOR THE BOARDS INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY, NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN, UNLESS BOARD REQUESTS IT BE PLACED ON AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING.

11. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: SEPTEMBER 23rd, 2013

**12. ADJOURN: 8:01 pm Motion to adjourned by Hugh Gilley, seconded by James LaPrade.
Vote 5 Yes 0 No**

Approved 23 September 2013
