

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**  
**February 28, 2019**  
**Harpswell Town Office**  
**Approved March 14, 2019**

**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Selectmen Present:** Richard A. Daniel, Kevin E. Johnson and David I. Chipman

**Staff Present:** Kristi Eiane, Town Administrator, Terri Sawyer, Deputy Town Administrator, and Mark Eyerman, Planner

**1. Adoption of the Agenda:** Chairman Daniel moved, seconded by Selectman Chipman to adopt the agenda as printed; motion passed 3-0.

**2. Public Comment:** None.

**3. Selectmen's Announcements:** Chairman Daniel stated tonight was his last regular meeting as Selectman and he thanked the public, staff and past Selectmen for their support.

**4. Town Administrator's Report:** Administrator Eiane stated the County has hired Todd McGhee as the new Harpswell Shellfish Warden. Selectman Johnson and Paul Plummer, who were involved with the interview process, are pleased with the decision. Administrator Eiane reported she met with a representative from Senator Collin's Office and discussed various topics that affect Harpswell, including the proposed changes by the FCC to the franchise fee. Administrator Eiane announced she has received one letter of interest for appointment to the MSAD School Board. The Town Report is here and residents should be receiving them by Saturday. Administrator Eiane invited the Road Commissioner (as the Board's designee to post roads) up to the podium to discuss the plans for posting roads. Ronald Ponziani, Road Commissioner, stated he wants to post Town roads on March 7 through April 30 (or earlier based on conditions). Mr. Ponziani thanked Chairman Daniel for his service.

**5. Consent Agenda: 1) Approval of the Minutes; 2) Accept Committee Resignations; 3) Tax Supplements; 4) Election Worker Appointments; 5) Authorization of the Warrants:** Selectman Chipman moved, seconded by Selectman Johnson to approve the consent agenda [approved February 15 minutes; accepted Scott Moody's resignation from the Marine Resources Committee, and Brent Dudley's from the Energy and Technology Committee; tax supplements – Marji Greenhut, tax map 41, lot 3, supplemental value and tax dollars \$6,374.02; Marji Greenhut, tax map 12, lot 132, supplemental value and tax dollars \$1,111.97; Marji Greenhut, tax map 12, lot 114-1, supplemental value and tax dollars \$741.31; The Rand Island Trust, tax map 62, lot 131, supplemental value and tax dollars \$1,260; Schooner Ventures, LLC, tax map 3, lot 15, supplemental value and tax dollars \$201,820; election worker appointments for March 9, 2019 – Catherine Doughty and Megan Hubbard as Wardens, Donnette Goodenow, Linda Kreamer, Amy Saxton and Debora Levensailor as Election Ballot Clerks; warrant #9 in the amount of \$227,718.03, warrant #9a in the amount not to exceed \$800 to mail the Town Report, and payroll warrant #8 in the amount of \$18,559.50]; motion passed 3-0.

**6. Harpswell Community Garden Grant Request to New England Grassroots:** Susan Stemper, Garden volunteer, reviewed the grant application to the New England Grassroots Environmental Fund for \$3,500 for fence improvements to keep wildlife out of the garden area. Selectman Chipman moved, seconded by Selectman Johnson to approve the application. Chairman Daniel asked if gardeners throughout Town could donate their crops to the areas the common good garden does. Ms. Stemper responded it could be suggested through some of the Garden's outreach material.

**7. Accept Donated Gift – Picture of Mackerel Cove:** Deputy Administrator Sawyer stated Joseph Palma couldn't attend this evening but wants to donate a picture of the former tree at Mackerel Cove to the Town. Selectman Chipman moved, seconded by Selectman Johnson to accept the gift; motion passed 3-0.

**8. Browntail Moth Update by Dr. Groden:** Dr. Groden, University of Maine professor, provided an update (see attached) on the Browntail Moth Field Research and Trial that the Town contracted for with the University. Dr. Groden will return in the spring for a community meeting to review the final report and findings.

**9. Sign 2019 Town Meeting Warrant: Draft Firearms Ordinance and Draft Sport Shooting Range Ordinance:** Mark Eyerman, Town Planner, reviewed the changes since the last meeting, which were drafted with input by Jonathan Burbank and Ned Simmons. Selectman Chipman moved, seconded by Selectman Johnson to proceed with the 2/28 version of both ordinances; motion passed 3-0. Selectman Chipman moved, seconded by Selectman Johnson to sign the 2019 Town Meeting warrant; motion passed 3-0.

**10. Agreement with Harpswell Community Television:** Selectman Chipman stated he will recuse himself from voting as his partner is the Station Manager and he is the President of the Board. Administrator Eiane stated the agreement is primarily the same as the last one with the changes clarifying that the Town is responsible for capital items, a dispute resolution clause was added and it clarifies that HCBC will take the lead on technology such as live streaming. Chairman Daniel stated before signing the agreement he wants to give the Energy and Technology Committee 30 days to look into the livestream matter such as possibly the Town performing that function itself. Chairman Daniel moved, seconded by Selectman Johnson to approve a 45-day extension to the existing agreement and to ask the Committee to make a recommendation regarding technology in the next 30 days; motion passed 2-0 (Selectman Chipman abstained).

**11. Letter of Support for Interstate Lobster's Working Waterfront Application:** Administrator Eiane stated this request for a letter of support for a working waterfront application is similar to past ones for Holbrook Community Foundation and a wharf on Basin Point. Selectman Chipman moved, seconded by Selectman Johnson to approve the letter of support; motion passed 3-0.

**12. Public Comment:** None.

**13. Other Business:** Chairman Daniel moved, seconded by Selectman Chipman to accept Michael McCabe's resignation from the Recycling Committee; motion passed 3-0.

**14. Administrative Matters:** None.

**15. Adjournment:** At 7:10 p.m. the Chair adjourned the meeting without objection.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terri-Lynn Sawyer  
Deputy Town Administrator

Attachments: Dr. Groden's update