

**Georgia Selectboard Meeting**  
**Monday, September 28, 2015**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**Approved:**    **Unapproved**

**Present:**     Selectboard: Chris Letourneau; Matt Crawford; Paul Jansen; Tara Wright; and Mike McCarthy,  
Town Administrator

**Absent:**       Ric Nye

**Public Present:**     Ian Sutherland, Hickok & Boardman; David Vincent; Abby Ledoux, Milton Independent

Chris Letourneau, Chair, opened the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m.

The Town Administrator added the following to the agenda:

a). Check Warrant Report AP #80. To be approved with the other Check Warrants.

**Public Appearance:**

Ian Sutherland, Hickok & Boardman. Ian Sutherland is here at the Selectboard's request for a quote on insurance. The Town of Georgia currently uses Vermont League of Cities & Towns (VLCT) as their insurance carrier and are considering using an alternative insurance carrier. The Selectboard asked the Town Administrator to get quotes so they may explore their options. This is the first presentation scheduled.

Ian went over his proposal for insurance with the Selectboard. The Selectboard had a general discussion regarding the insurance quote. There are a few areas that need to be explored further. The Selectboard thanked Ian for taking the time to submit this quote. The Town Administrator will follow up with Ian with further questions or concerns once the Selectboard has had more time to examine the proposal.

The Selectboards time frame for a decision should be by November 1, 2015. Mike states that we could probably tweak it out after that, but November 1, 2015 should be the target date.

**Review of Minutes:**

Minutes of the September 14, 2015, regular meeting was reviewed and discussed. Motion made to approve the 9/14/15 regular meeting, with the changes discussed, made by Paul, second by Matt. No further discussion. All in favor.

**Review of Warrants:**

Motion to approve Check Warrant Report PR #37 for period end 9/17/15; Check Warrant Report PR #38 for period end 9/24/15; Check Warrant Report AP #77 for a transfer to Citizens Bank; Check Warrant Report AP #78 for transfers to Alert-All Corp., Positive Promotions, Inc. and Galls; and Check Warrant AP #79 for a transfer to Citizens Bank; made by Matt, second by Paul. No further discussion. All in favor.

Motion to approve Check Warrant Report AP #80 for the general fund, and Check Warrant Report #81 for a transfers to GEMS, made by Matt, second by Paul. No further discussion. All in favor.

### **Selectboard Concerns:**

None

### **Unfinished Business Report:**

- a). Update – progress on “Welcome to Georgia” signage. The posts have been purchased. The signs should be put up by the end of this week. We have permission from both the landowners.
- b). Update – bidders for repairs to beach basketball/tennis area. Mike is still working on this as he is having a hard time getting more bids. No action required.
- c). Update – bid requests for survey Legal Trail #4. Still have not received Krebs & Lansing Bid. Mike spoke to them and we should be receiving the bid this week. This will give us our three bids to start moving forward with this project. Krebs and Lansing apologized for the delay.
- d). Update – parking lot engineering off VT Rt. 104A. Mike has received a number of bids. The engineering company and the surveyors are doing their thing, it is progressing forward. They are also working on the engineering inside the fence as well. Hopefully get that up for an agenda item within a month. The Selectboard will have to go Planning, and then they will have to have a hearing to file a corrective quit claim and then the inside of the fence will be taken care of as well. Mike believes we can get in front of the Planning Commission in October.
- e). Update – Georgia Shore Rd. and Cline Road intersection. Engineers report enclosed in your packet. Mike met with the State Representative (Jim Cota) and the homeowner regarding installing guardrails. Jim believes there are a lot options that could be taken fairly quickly. Mike is waiting to hear back from the State Engineer, Mario, to give Mike his feedback on this matter. Once Mike receives this feedback, he will bring this back to the Selectboard for further action.
- f). Update – Mill River Road bridge project. Mike and George Bilodeau met with Regional about adding the bridge on 104A to the project list. The money is tight right now; it is possible that this project might be pushed back to 2018 simply because of the availability of money. Mike will continue to try to get this moved up on the list in the future.

### **New Business:**

None

### **Administrator’s Correspondences and Tasks:**

- a). Thank you to Mike and Karen Bouthillette. Copy in packet, not sent yet.
- b). Thank you to John & Peggy McCracken and Mrs. Judith Hoffman for allowing placement of our “Welcome to Georgia” signs on their properties. Copies in packet. Not sent yet.
- c). Thank you to Joel Snyder for helping with the lighting problem on the Town Hall signs. Mr. Snyder was able to locate the correct parts and did not charge the Town for them. Copy is in your packet. Not sent yet.

### **Treasurer’s Correspondence:**

None

### **General Correspondence:**

- a). Vermont League of Cities and Towns Renewal Notice PACIF membership. This has an October 9, 2015 return date, we can cancel before January 1, 2016 if we go with someone else. At Matt's request, health, dental, vision insurance information included in your packets.
- b). Franklin County Sheriff's Office, two Press Releases regarding excessive speed stops in Georgia. Excellent work, they made another stop of this nature on Sandy Birch Road this week.
- c). Georgia Planning Commission – Agenda from September 22, 2015 meeting.
- d). Georgia Library Trustees – Minutes from August 10, 2015 and September 14, 2015 meetings, Agenda for October 19, 2015.

Paul states that the last couple of months in their minutes, they have stated that they are unclear with the Community Use Policy. Paul thought that this had all been worked out and there were no questions. Paul asked Mike to follow up with the Library Trustees to see what the issue is because the Selectboard thought that this matter was all taken care of.

Mike and the Librarian started meeting one a month today to discuss any issues that need to be addressed.

### **State of Vermont Correspondence:**

- a). New State Rules and Requirements for Public Drinking Water Systems. Page in packet and copy of email Mike sent to Chevaliers to begin setting up our new process, also in packet. The State has changed the rules for testing. Could we put in bottle water and put up signs saying don't drink the water? Mike will look into it to see if that is even an option. Mike will bring back to a future meeting.

### **Brochures, Newsletters, Workshops, and Advertisements:**

None

### **Items for Signature:**

- a). Thank you letters in Section C.

### **Legal Correspondence:**

None

### **Confidential / Executive Session Items:**

- a). Contracts.

Motion to go into Executive Session at 8:20 p.m., is requested at this time to discuss Contracts, labor relations agreements with employees, Arbitration or mediation, grievances, other than tax, pending or probable litigation, or confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the Town of Georgia involving the Town, specifically finding that premature general public knowledge of the subject matter would clearly place the Town at a substantial disadvantage, made by Matt, second by Paul. No further discussion. All in favor.

Motion to come out of Executive Session made at 8:35 p.m. by Matt, second by Paul. No further discussion. All in favor.

No action out of Executive Session.

Motion to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. made by Matt, second by Paul. No further discussion. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted by Krissy Jenkins

Monday, October 12, 2015, next regular meeting @ 7:00 p.m.