

BOARD OF SELECTPERSON
Meeting Minutes
March 27, 2023

CALL TO ORDER:

Katie opened the meeting with the flag salute at 7:00 PM

SELECT BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

John Medici, Katie Proctor, Wade Andrews, Gil Harris

ATTENDEES: Alesha Buzzell, Gail Libby, Cheryl Edgerly, Dave McLean, Judy LePage, Scott Paradis, Neal Meltzer, Steve McLean, Dean and Lisa LePage,

MINUTES:

Motion to approve the minutes: Gil **motioned**, Wade **seconded**, **all** in favor.

WARRANT:

Motion to accept warrants: John **motioned**, Gil **seconded**, **all** in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Read Announcements: Wade read the announcements.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Scott Paradis, Road Commissioner:

He wanted to start by thanking Bob Richardson for his years of service.

He and his crew has been cleaning up and chipping brush from over the winter. They have been working on some pothole patching and will work on some more next week. He has a meeting coming up with Carroll Materials next week about paving that needs to be done that did not get accomplished last year. He is wondering about contacting a sweeping company for a quote on sweeping all Town roads, he is not sure if it needs to go out to bids. He will get a few quotes to see the cost. They will start maintaining the dirt roads once they melt out and thaw. Some signs have gone missing, so he has been putting up some new ones. He has gotten most of the equipment from Bob and will finish getting the rest of it. He will let Alesha know the address for insurance purposes where the equipment is being stored.

OLD BUSINESS:

CIA Application for Automobile Graveyard/Junkyard Permit-Preliminary Discussion- The Board will sign the permit at the end of the meeting. John made a **motion** to sign the CIA Automobile Graveyard/Junkyard permit as approved last week, Gil **seconded**, **all** in favor.

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Cemetery Mowing (Veterans/Cemetery Committee- There will be a meeting scheduled soon, more updating to come. Katie did get some information from the American Legion Hall about Veteran's graves.

Fire Building Update- They will be breaking ground any day now. Vinnie is still working through the HUD paperwork which is fairly lengthy. The bank is continuing to work on the process to approve the loan. The Town did authorize the Board to borrow enough funds to cover the \$1.8 million dollars until it comes in.

Bandstand update to repair- Neal Meltzer discussed a report he made for the Board to review. All the posts have been replaced with some extra support. The contractors prefabricated the handrails. They have half the flooring framed. The big challenge moving forward is moving the top of the bandstand back to where it is supposed to be. The top of it was leaning 4 inches towards the road, which is a lot. Most likely if this project had not been undertaken it most likely would have fallen down next year. It is very well supported now. The contractor has to pull out for two weeks for some other work.

Review of Legal Accounts- Nothing new to update.

FOAA Requests- One from CIA's lawyer.

Deed work for Tibbetts Park update – Still waiting for Mike. Wade will update when more information is available.

Town Charter Update: Dave McLean, chair of the charter commission. The charter had their first meeting last week. Wendy Thorne is the Vice Chair; Joanne Andrews is Secretary. The next meeting is April 6th in the media room. By the Charter rules they have to have several public hearings, the first one has tentatively been scheduled by April 20th.

BTH Repairs- This includes a few different items, the walkway and ramp and a 2nd fire escape on the first floor. The walkway and ramp should be taken care of this Spring and once the Building Advisory Committee does their report, we will see what direction we will move in for the 2nd fire escape door on the 1st floor. As for now the 1st floor occupancy will stay at 49 people.

Woodsome Wildlife Sanctuary sign update- Wade will check with the family for an update.

Town owned Property Letters- They can now go out, Natalie has returned. Alesha will start working on them. They will go certified mail and the goal is they will make an appt. to come in and meet with the Board. If no one responds within a few weeks from the letters, all information will go back to Natalie for one final review.

Hollandville Project- The Board needs to set a date for a Public Hearing and Special Town Meeting. They would like to schedule for April 10th. They need approval to borrow up to \$1million dollars to

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cover the congressional spending grant until that money comes in. The notice needs to be hung on or before April 3rd. John looking for a **motion** to schedule a Special Town Meeting on the 10th of April at 7PM with one item on the ballot, which is to secure up to \$1million dollars of temporary financing for the Hollandville project to be repaid by the Congressional Spending Grant, Wade **seconded, all** in favor. There are some letters that will be sent out to some of the residents on Wescott and Maple Streets signed by Katie, Gil **motioned** for the Chair to sign the letters to send out, Wade **seconded, all** in favor.

Vault Concerns: John will find one to order and send it to Alesha to order through Amazon.

Pickerel Pond Deed update from Assessing Office-John will write the deed and will have it reviewed by Natalie.

June Election- warrant article items to TC by 4/14- if anyone has anything they would like to be on this ballot needs to be to the TC by 4/14. If anyone has any thoughts or ideas to consider, please reach out the Board, if not approved then you can do a citizen's petition.

We have the plowing contract, electrical supply contract, elevator upgrade, and paying the Animal Welfare Society contract. The Board will write these up for the Budget Committee to also review. The plowing and sidewalk cannot be on this one because they will not know the dollar amount. There was some discussions if the Board should not renew the Sidewalk Contract and just have Towns people clean the sidewalk in front of their own business or residence. The Town is going to keep with the contract since it was voted on in November by the Towns people.

Staff Meetings-Katie got a feel from Staff that the Select Board should be involved and only one or two members be present so it does not have to be public. We will have one in April on a Wednesday at lunch. Alesha will send an email to staff and see if April 26th works.

Current Town Ways Plowing Bid- The bids will be due back on Monday, April 10th.

Lake Arrowhead Committee- if you are interested in joining, please reach out to Alesha.

Review of Appointed Town Officials- Most accepted the position again and some declined. The Board will reappoint all the positions that have accepted. The Board will be looking for the following positions: (2) Board of Appeals Positions, Recreation Director, Recreation Activities & Events Director, Southern Maine Regional Planning Committee. John made a **motion** that we add a list of all the available positions that are open and contact Alesha if interested, Wade **seconded, all** in favor. We will ask Deedee to draw up the appointment papers.

Discuss Purchase Policy for bidding regarding RSD Graphics Quote- Alesha will reach out to three more places to see if we can get another bid for the Town sign.

Need Budget Committee Member for 3-year term- If anyone is interested to please reach out to Alesha. If anyone is interested in just one year that works as well.

Need Planning Board Member for 1-year- If anyone is interested to please reach out to Alesha.

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Changes to current Sidewalk Contract- A few changes to make, weight restriction of equipment on sidewalks, snow removal starting within so many hours of the storm ending will be changed, and the removal of the snow for designated location will be changed. John looking for a **motion** that we put the Sidewalk Maintenance Service Agreement out for 2-year period with the changes as discussed, Gil **seconded**, **all** in favor.

Small change to Code of Ethics Policy- when the meeting starting John was Chair, but Katie was appointed Chair during meeting so both initialized that Katie is now Chair.

New Business:

BTH Application- Gil **motioned** to approve Michelle Graffam for the BTH, John **seconded**, one abstained, three in favor.

BTH Application- Wade **motioned** to approve Melanie Fuller for the BTH, John **seconded**, **all** in favor.

Discuss Special Town Meeting to borrow \$1 million for water/sewer project- Discussed earlier in the night and will be held for April 10th.

Schedule an executive session MRSA §405 (6)- Meeting will be at 6:30PM and go straight into the Executive Session next Monday the 10th.

Lake Arrowhead lots- A gentleman just recently bought from another gentleman 6 lots, he is building a house on three lots and would like to know if there is anything he can do to build on the other three lots. There was a lot of discussion on this topic, and it will stay on the agenda.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Dean LePage- can not go to the York County Budget Committee meeting on the 12th, Alesha will find out if he has to be there for sure.

Lisa LePage- The community coming together for the ballfield upgrades. She would like to see this be the next big project in Town.

Steve McLean- Thank you to Joe Parsons, he has given a lot of work over the years and his service to the Town.

ADJOURN MEETING: Gil **motioned** to adjourn; Wade **seconded**; **all** were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:57 PM.

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These minutes were approved by the Limerick Board of Select Board on: Monday, April 3, 2023
End of Broadcast

Respectfully submitted,

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