

BOARD OF SELECTPERSON
Meeting Minutes
September 26, 2022

John opened the meeting with an Executive Session 36 M.R.S.A § 841 (2) at 5:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

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

Motion to approve poverty abatement passed three to two.

SELECT BOARD IN ATTENDANCE:

John Medici, Ron Smith, Katie Proctor, Gil Harris, Wade Andrews

ATTENDEES: Alesha Buzzell, Dottie Richard, Stan Hackett, Joanne Andrews, Deb Mansfield, Steve McLean, Cheryl Edgerly

MINUTES:

Approve minutes of September 19th meeting: Gil **motioned** to approve the minutes; Ron **seconded**; **all** were in favor.

WARRANT:

Motion to accept warrants: Ron **motioned** to accept the warrants; Katie **seconded**; **all** were in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Read Announcements: Ron read the announcements

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Stan Hackett- CEO

- September Permit Fees- \$8,215.88 YTD- \$168,138.17
- YTD Solar Farm Fees- \$95,000.00 Total Fees minus solar farm fees is \$73,138.17
- The Dole's Ridge Road Solar Farm has a stop work order for a violation currently for the natural buffer and planting of trees. 95% of the trees that they planted have died so new ones will be planted. The Solar Farm annual licensing renewal fee is around \$15,000 a year.
- The Town of Limerick has the potential for two more Solar Farms to be built within the next few years.
- Violation- Shoreland violation in Lake Arrowhead- has been resolved as taxpayer applied for the necessary permit.

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-Traffic and Road Safety Ordinance- The ordinance came back from the lawyer. The Board agrees that this new ordinance and Constable would go together and would be enacted together. The Board will add this into the next budget season.

-E911 Addresses- Several towns' buildings are getting addressed including the mill. Please make sure you have visible 911 addresses on your home or business for public safety workers.

Joanne Andrews- Transfer Station

-As of August 31st, they have only used 33% of their budget. They still have to grind and haul away brush before the end of the year. They also need to crush and bury all cement, bricks, toilets, and sinks without any metal. It is buried on site which is allowed.

-Last year \$32,000 of her income was put towards her commitment. As of today, her income is \$51,053.64. She is way above the \$32,000 and has projected the income to be between \$65,000-\$70,000. A big part of the increase is because of the increase in the fees.

-Eco Maine sent a check to the transfer station for \$6,798.43, last year was around \$1,100.00.

-They sent a second load of metal and one more load to go before the end of the year. The check for the second load was \$3,117.00, this has decreased from the beginning of the year but is better then thought it was going to be.

-Limiting the size of trailers has really helped with space and fees.

-The furniture barn is full if you have any need.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bid Packages- Mowing, Sidewalk Plowing, Town Owned Properties- Bids are due 10/3

Fire Building Update- The Informational meeting went well, and the information is posted online for reference about the new station.

Town Gazebo- No new update.

Changing of Payroll Company & Digital Time Tracking Update- More information will be reviewed and discussed later. This will move to the budget season. There may be a possibility of another proposal coming in.

Review of Legal Accounts- There has not been a new bill, but our town attorney has been very active on dealing with the warrant articles and pending lawsuits.

FOAA Requests- Nothing new to update.

Deed work for Tibbetts Park update- Mike is working on this project but is working on another big project. He will finish it as soon as he can, most of the work has been accomplished. Wade will continue to update.

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Update on Business Park Lot Sale- The last one is under contract for being purchased before the end of the year.

Policy Review- Bill Policy- The Board will sign at the end of the meeting.

Town Charter- setting up a meeting with town lawyer-Natalie is checking her schedule but looks like the meeting will be in November after the vote on the 8th.

Sign issue at Elm/Range E Road update- The sign is not up yet; it is on the list to be done as soon as possible. Wade did have a few high school kids reach out about putting it up for some community hours. Wade will just need to monitor.

Track Update at Ball Park- Progress is coming together nicely. Ron finished raking it and it will be rolled soon. He will look into getting a few benches and signs.

Camera Update at Ball Park- John spoke to a representative from Verizon and will be taking the cameras and SIM cards to a Verizon store to get the situation straightened out. John was told that there is a local Verizon representative in Limerick so he will be getting the contact information when he goes into the store. We hope to have these up and running as soon as possible.

Electrician Update from Safety Inspection Report- We have accepted Brian Goriss' bid. We are now just waiting for an update when he can schedule the work.

Bid for electrical work at BTH installing light poles- Waiting on the electrician schedule as well.

BTH Repairs- We are waiting for a quote back from Knowles Industries LLC. Alesha will follow up next week. We have an agreement with the DOJ to sign that will allow us until March to complete these items for repair.

Sign concern at Intersection of Quarry Road, Pickerel Pond Road, and Emery Corner Road- Bob has ordered the signs, he will install once they arrive.

Budget Preparation- The Department heads should be receiving something next week.

Cemetery Mowing- This is still awaiting additional information and what the town's responsibility is. We will continue to investigate and hope that we can re-grow our cemetery committee.

Insulating at BTH- back wall- If anyone is interested in doing this work or the Town Gazebo, please reach out to the Select Board's office at 793-4475.

MMA Worker's Compensation Fund Renewal Form- Estimated payroll form for 2023- John received the payroll to date from Laura and he is using those numbers to fill out the form.

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Estimate for Dupuis Hardware & Locksmith- Apparently you cannot have one master key that can do all indoor and outdoor keys. We would have a two key system. This needs to go to bid since it is over \$1500. Alesha will add a bid notification to the town website asking for a bid for levers, master keys and deadbolts to be installed at the Municipal Building. All bids will be due by noon Monday, October 3rd. She will also ask Dupuis to redo their estimate as a bid.

New Business:

MCMA Enrollment Form-This is a member enrollment form for the Maine Community Media Association. Our membership will include benefits to increase franchise fees and helping to keep the fees coming to the towns, and capital equipment support from new Video Service Providers. John looking for a motion to enroll in the MCMA for a \$100 to come out of Franchise Fees, Wade **motioned**, Ron **seconded**, **all** in favor.

Policy Review- Credit Card- There were a few concerns with this policy. Alesha will ask Laura what the credit card limit is, history on the use of it and have there been any issues she knows of. More information to come.

RHR Smith and Company Letter- John looking for a motion to continue with RHR Smith and Company for the 2022 audit season, Gil **motioned**, Ron **seconded**, **all** in favor.

Sign tax lien/ foreclosure list- John looking for a motion to accept from the Treasurer the 2020 tax liens that will foreclose on January 8, 2023, if all tax and costs have not been paid, Ron **motioned**, Gil **seconded**, **all** in favor.

Sign poverty abatement- The Board will sign at the end of the meeting.

The Board decided to skip the Board meeting on the 11th. The next meeting will be on October 3rd.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Steve McLean

ADJOURN MEETING: Katie **motioned** to adjourn; Ron **seconded**; **all** were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.

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These minutes were approved by the Limerick Board of Selectmen on: Monday, October 3rd

End of Broadcast

Respectfully submitted,

Alesha Buzzell

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