



**Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2020
6:00 PM
Conference Room, Norridgewock Town Office**

APPROVED
11/04/2020

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ronald Frederick, Chair
James Lyman, Vice Chair
Matthew Everett
Lindsey Lynch
Sara "Sallie" Wilder

STAFF PRESENT

Richard LaBelle, Town Manager
Sharon Dodge, Deputy Town Clerk
Peter Lyman, Bookkeeper

Also present for all or parts of the meeting were Chuck Farrand and Skip Viles.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

2. Pledge to the Flag

3. Review/Approve Minutes of October 7, 2020

Selectman Wilder made a MOTION to approve the minutes of October 7, 2020. Seconded by Vice Chairman Lyman. MOTION PASSED.

4. Selectmen's Reports

Vice Chairman Lyman stated that he noticed roadside mowing has started and the job looks exceptional so far.

5. Town Manager's Report

See Attached.

6. Discussion/Action on October 21, 2020 General Warrant #20

Selectman Everett made a MOTION to approve and sign General Warrant #20 in the amount of \$711,575.90. Seconded by Selectman Lynch. MOTION PASSED, 4-1 (Frederick, Everett, Lynch, Wilder in favor; Lyman opposed).

7. Discussion/Action on October 21, 2020 Airport Warrant #10

Vice Chairman Lyman made a MOTION to approve and sign Airport Warrant #10 in the amount of \$17,706.97. Seconded by Selectman Wilder. MOTION PASSED.

8. Discussion/Action on October 21, 2020 Sewer Commitment

Selectman Everett made a MOTION to approve and sign the October 21, 2020 Sewer Commitment in the amount of \$21,517.82. Seconded by Selectman Lynch. MOTION PASSED.

9. Public Comment (Limited to 2 minutes)

Winding Hill Road resident Chuck Farrand sought additional details regarding the potential agreement between the Town and the County. The Town Manager responded that there is consideration of contracting for a Norridgewock-dedicated deputy sheriff. Ultimately, the proposal would go before voters at Town Meeting before being approved.

10. Discussion/Action on Ward Hill Road Erosion/Damage Improvement Project

Selectman Everett made a MOTION to accept the proposal from Rick Labbe Construction in the amount of \$14,950.00 for the Ward Hill Road Erosion/Damage Improvement Project, which was the low bid. Seconded by Selectman Lynch. MOTION PASSED.

11. Discussion/Action on Issuance of Cemetery/Yard Maintenance Request for Proposals

Selectman Everett made a MOTION to issue the Request for Proposals for Cemetery/Yard Maintenance. Seconded by Selectman Lynch. MOTION PASSED.

12. Other Business

Selectman Everett made a MOTION to add *Acceptance of Grants* to the agenda. Seconded by Vice Chairman Lyman. MOTION PASSED.

Vice Chairman Lyman made a MOTION to accept grants in the amount of \$51,230.00 from the State of Maine for the Keep Maine Healthy Initiative. Seconded by Selectman Lynch. MOTION PASSED.

Vice Chairman Lyman made a MOTION to accept a grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 from the Center for Tech and Civic Life to support expanded, safe elections. Seconded by Selectman Lynch. MOTION PASSED.

Selectman Lynch made a MOTION to accept a grant in the amount of \$10,000.00 from CivicPlus in recognition of Becky Ketchum being presented the national Small Town America Civic Volunteer Award, to support the retention and recruitment of local public service volunteers. Seconded by Vice Chairman Lyman. MOTION PASSED.

Vice Chairman Lyman made a MOTION to accept a grant in the amount of \$987.88 from Maine Municipal Association to support the purchase of two flammable safety storage cabinets. Seconded by Selectman Wilder. MOTION PASSED.

Selectman Everett made a MOTION to add *Signing of Cemetery Quitclaim Deed* to the agenda. Seconded by Selectman Lynch. MOTION PASSED.

Selectman Everett made a MOTION to approve and sign the quitclaim deed to Paul Gagne and Virginia Gagne for Lot 265 at Sunset View Cemetery. Seconded by Selectman Lynch. MOTION PASSED.

Selectman Wilder made a MOTION to add *Consideration of Gravel Roadwork* to the agenda. Seconded by Selectman Everett. MOTION PASSED.

Selectman Everett made a MOTION to approve up to \$20,000 from Public Works budget for gravel for Walker Road. Seconded by Vice Chairman Lyman. MOTION PASSED.

Vice Chairman Lyman sought an update on the potential for expanding quality internet access to Beech Hill. The Town Manager stated that he has been in contact with Charter/Spectrum and that he requested a resurvey of the road density, to include George Street and Independence Drive. They will also be providing construction costs, should the Town or a private group wish to pursue the expansion.

13. Adjournment

Vice Chairman Lyman made a MOTION to adjourn at 6:49 PM. Seconded by Selectman Wilder. MOTION PASSED.