



**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 5, 2018
6:00 PM**

Attendance: Vice Chairman James Lyman, Selectmen Matthew Everett, Sallie Wilder and Joshua Chartrand. Also present were Town Manager Richard LaBelle and Clerk Sharon Dodge; Fire Chief David Jones, Craig Leach, Jim Lord of Dirigo Engineering, Bookkeeper Peter Lyman, Fire Captain Todd Pineo, Ada Webb, and Alvyn Webb.
Absent: Chairman Ronald Frederick

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Vice Chairman Lyman

2. Pledge to the Flag

3. Discussion/Action on Ward Hill Road Project Plan Modification

Jim Lord of Dirigo Engineering provided an overview of alternative proposals for completing the Ward Hill Road project. One option includes saw cutting the edges, while another proposes a full reclaim and paving. Selectmen Everett made a MOTION to select the reclaim and paving proposal from Wellman Paving, Inc, to complete the Ward Hill Road project, with an estimated amount of \$90,138.50. Seconded by Selectman Chartrand. MOTION PASSED.

4. Review/Approve Minutes of August 15, 2018

Selectman Everett made a MOTION to approve the minutes of August 15, 2018. Seconded by Selectman Wilder. MOTION PASSED.

5. Selectmen's Reports

Selectman Wilder received a complaint from a Main Street resident about the condition of the road and the effects of noise related to heavy trucks. The Town Manager states that the maintenance of Route 2/Main Street is the responsibility of the State; however, the Board of Selectmen sent a letter of concern earlier this year requesting consideration of a shim and

overlay on the section of road. The Town has received notification from Representative Brad Farrin that the shim project should be included in this year's construction project budget with Maine DOT.

Selectman Wilder also stated that she received a complaint about roadside mowing along Mechanic and Perkins Streets. The Town Manager states that need for roadside mowing along Mechanic Street is virtually non-existent and that Perkins Street is the responsibility of the State. The Town's roadside mowing contractor did mow Perkins Street at no cost to the Town, at the Town's request. Contact has been made to with Maine DOT to ensure that Perkins Street is completed by the State contractor.

Selectman Wilder inquired as to whether or not milfoil had been identified in Mill Stream and whether or not it had extended into the Kennebec River. The Town Manager stated that he was notified by Maine DEP that invasive milfoil was identified in Mill Stream, but was unable to confirm its reach down the stream towards the river.

Selectman Wilder stated that she would like to see the Town take steps in order to eradicate invasive plants along the roadsides, especially the Japanese Knotweed.

Vice Chairman Lyman complimented the work completed by the roadside mowing contractor. He also stated that he attended parts of Oosoola Days and that it was a very nice event. He thanked the Town Manager for work done to organize and execute the event.

6. Town Manager's Report

See Attached

7. Discussion/Action on September 5, 2018 General Warrant #17

Selectman Wilder made a MOTION to approve General Warrant #17 in the amount of \$57,807.43. Seconded by Selectman Chartrand. MOTION PASSED.

8. Public Comment (Limited to 2 minutes)

Fire Captain Todd Pineo asked if the new fire truck has been paid for. The Town Manager stated that the check was authorized under the August 15, 2018, general warrant and was released upon receipt of invoice. Bookkeeper Peter Lyman stated that the check cleared our bank on September 4, 2018.

Madison resident Alvyn Webb, who owns property on Walker Road, asked about the speed limit on Walker Road. Mr. Webb inquires as to what the Town is willing to do to help control traffic speed along the road. He states that his daughter lives at 257 Walker Road and he is concerned about her safety and that of his grandchildren.

Vice Chairman Lyman told resident that they should file a formal complaint with the Sheriff's Office and that the Town would also reach out to the Sheriff's Office to request enhanced patrol. Resident Craig Leach states that the speed limit on all gravel roads is 35 MPH and that the Town should install signs to that effect. The Town Manager states that the speed limit set forth in State statute is 45 MPH, unless otherwise determined by Maine DOT.

The Town will plan to relocate the speed feedback sign to Walker Road in order to gain an accurate perspective of traffic volume and speeds in the area. Those in attendance to discuss Walker Road safety concerns are invited back to future meetings in order to learn about what has been determined.

Selectman Wilder inquired about the management of wildlife at the airport. She expresses opposition to the use of the depredation permit and hopes that the Town does not use it to reduce the number of birds in the area.

9. Discussion/Action on Oshkosh Truck Bids, Release of Town Surplus Property

Selectman Chartrand made a MOTION to award the bid on the Oshkosh Truck to Trucks Unlimited of Skowhegan, for the amount of \$7,656.00. Seconded by Selectman Everett. MOTION PASSED.

Note: This represents the highest bid received.

10. Discussion/Action on Signing Cemetery Quitclaim Deed (Cynthia Pomerleau, Sunset View Cemetery, Southern half of lot 279)

Selectman Chartrand made a MOTION to sign the Cemetery Quitclaim Deed for Cynthia Pomerleau for the Southern Half of Lot 279 at Sunset View Cemetery. Seconded by Selectman Everett. MOTION PASSED.

11. Discussion/Action on Order Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds & Notes in Anticipation Thereof (Wastewater Upgrade Project)

Selectman Chartrand made a MOTION to adopt the order authorizing the issuance of Bonds & Notes in anticipation thereof (Wastewater Upgrade Project) Seconded by Selectman Everett. MOTION PASSED, 4-0 (Lyman, Chartrand, Everett, Wilder in favor).

12. Discussion/Action on Donations Received in Memory of Harley "Billy" Dunlap

Selectman Wilder made a MOTION to accept the donations in the amount of \$260.00 to the Recreation Department in memory of Harley "Billy" Dunlap. Seconded by Selectman Chartrand. MOTION PASSED.

The Board signs a letter to Billy's son, BJ, expressing condolences and thanking him for the donations to the Recreation Department; he will also receive a list of the donors.

Selectman Chartrand made a MOTION to add donations to the agenda. Seconded by Selectman Everett. MOTION PASSED.

Selectman Wilder made a MOTION to accept the donation to the library from Franklin Savings Bank in the amount of \$150.00. Seconded by Selectman Everett. MOTION PASSED.

13. Other Business

Vice Chairman Lyman stated that the Fire Department food booth was set so far back at the airport that no one saw their booth until they had passed other food vendors. He inquired about the process of laying out such vendor spaces and would prefer to see civic organizations more prominently placed. The Town Manager stated that there was limited volunteer support from the Fire Department and that this was largely the work of the new Junior Firefighter program. The location was determined based upon the fact that they were conducting demonstrations, which required that they be further removed from the center of the event.

14. Executive Session Pursuant to 1 MRSA §405(6)(C) to Discuss Acquisition of Real Property

Selectman Everett made a MOTION to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA §405(6)(C) to Discuss Acquisition of Real Property at 7:06 PM. Seconded by Selectman Chartrand. MOTION PASSED.

Selectman Chartrand made a MOTION to come out of Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA §405(6)(C) to Discuss Acquisition of Real Property at 7:24 PM. Seconded by Selectman Everett. MOTION PASSED.

15. Executive Session Pursuant to 1 MRSA §405(6)(C) to Discuss Economic Development Related to Host Agreement Negotiation

Selectman Chartrand made a MOTION to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA §405(6)(C) to discuss Economic Development Related to Host Agreement Negotiation at 7:24 PM. Seconded by Selectman Everett. MOTION PASSED.

Selectman Chartrand made a MOTION to come out of Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA §405(6)(C) to discuss Economic Development Related to Host Agreement Negotiation at 7:47 PM. Seconded by Selectman Everett. MOTION PASSED.

16. Adjournment

Selectman Chartrand made a MOTION to adjourn at 7:47 PM. Seconded by Selectman Wilder. MOTION PASSED.

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Richard A. LaBelle
Town Clerk