TOWN OF BROWNFIELD



Selectmen's Meeting August 10, 2021

Selectmen in Attendance: William Flynn, Ricky Emery, Richard Norcross

Attendees: Deb Merrill, Cindy Walker, Erik Walker, Dan Molloy, Mike Bebis, DJ Forcier, Joe Egan, Kim Jaques, John Dubois, Dickie Perreault, Whit Lucy, Mike Vane

Zoom attendees: Rob Betz, Cindy Eaton, Esther Walker, 207-256-7216

5:00pm the meeting was called to order by Chair, William Flynn.

5:00pm Bill motioned to go into an executive session, pursuant to 1 M.R.S. section 405(6)(E), to consult with the Town attorney regarding a settlement offer in the pending case Braciska v. Town of Brownfield. Out of executive session at 5:25pm; Bill motioned to allow Leah to continue to represent the town in the pending settlement offer; seconded by Ricky. Vote 3-0-0.

5:25pm Bill motioned to go into an executive session, pursuant to 1 M.R.S. section 405(6(E), to consult with the Town Attorney regarding the Board's legal rights and duties regarding possible legal action to prevent a private citizen from holding unauthorized town events and other purportedly town-sponsored events, and, to discuss other possible protective orders. Out of executive session at 5:40pm; no action taken.

Minutes of August 3rd were approved by Bill; seconded by Dick. Vote 3-0-0.

Skate Park Fundraiser – Dick stated that the skatepark fundraiser should have liability insurance, like the snowmobile club, as it is not a town entity. Megan stated that she spoke with Willy; the fundraiser will be channeled through the Friends of Rec for the Rec Department.

Building Committee - Bill stated that the committee that is being formed for the research of a new community building is an ad hawk committee formed and disbanded by the Board of Selectmen. When their research is complete; the committee will be disbanded, and any information provided to the Board of Selectmen will be taken into consideration.

Deb Merrill – Deb has been speaking with Maine DOT, Rob Betz, about possibilities for making the Rt 113/160 intersection safer. Rob spoke about an option that would allow the Town to be the project manager, but DOT would fund up to 60% (up to \$625k for the State share) of a project.

Funding would be available in 2023 or later. The State also offers design funding: they would fund up to 70% (up to \$50K). Deb will continue to explore options and report back to the Board.

EcoMaine – Bill stated that he heard back from EcoMaine regarding recycling expenses and whether we would be getting any money back; they stated we would be receiving a check for \$2,558.43

6:06pm Dick motioned to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Bill. Vote 3-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Megan Witt