



SELECTMEN'S MEETING

DECEMBER 5, 2023

MINUTES

Selectmen in Attendance: Dick Norcross, John Hicks and Frank Day.

Attendees: Fire Chief, Richard Perreault; Animal Control Officer, Cindy Eaton; Brian Merrill; Dan Larson; Vincent Lanovara; Barbara Mouton; Deb Tait; Hailey Boudreau; Dana Forcier, Jr.; Whit Lucy; Bruce Collins; Jessica Warren; Wesley Smith; Cindy Walker; and Teresa Egan. Our internet would not connect so Zoom was not an option.

Chairman, Dick Norcross called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

John motioned, Frank second to approve the Minutes of November 28, 2023. Voted unanimously by a show of hands.

Wes Smith spoke on the 33 Pig Street property, asking for copies of any documents that pertain to the property. Herman Warren is the only name he has seen documented and he also asked for the names of companies that submitted bids for the cleanup and prices. He does not want any action being done on the property without them being notified. Dana is interested in the same.

Deb Tait asked for a follow up from last week re Articles revoted. Dick responded that we haven't heard from our lawyer yet. Barbara Moulton said she had no problem communicating with him last week. Vinny clarified that nothing is going to be discussed until a meeting with the attorney and Deb said that we are waiting for an answer from the Attorney. Vinny suggested rather than have more meetings and referendums we let them take us to court and Bruce said when it comes to litigation it can be costly. John stated that is why we are doing it the way we are.

Dick explained to convert the street lights to LED will save the Town about \$1,000 a year. John made a motion, Frank second to convert to LED. Voted unanimously by a show of hands.

John asked about the insurance on the truck and the fire. Does the policy say, replacement or truck value? We want to try to get everything we can for it. Bruce asked if all of our pieces of equipment have fire extinguishers in them? Dick answered, yes.

William K Rich off Plantation Lane wants to donate his 29-acre property to the Town. It was suggested that the Town put a clause in the deed that it stays town property. Access to the property was questioned as was whether it is in tree growth, and whether delinquent taxes. Dan Larson asked if the property could be opened up for hunting? Cindy Walker asked about abutting neighbors that might want to purchase it. Frank said for whatever reason that is not what he is offering.

Vinny Carbone wants to get the word out about his Civic Literacy Program that he plans to have at the Community Center. The Board agreed that Communication with Vinny is important, Dick suggests putting everything in writing.

The Board set December 22 for the Employee Christmas Party closing the office at Noon.

There was a brief discussion on first aid kits, whether to purchase out right or have a company provide and stock them. Dick suggests buying our own, John suggests research and Dicky provided Zee Medical Services as a company to look at.

Caidence of 506 Hampshire Road wants to host an event, music festival, craft & food vendors, no alcohol, for approximately 100 people; they have 25 acres, will take out an insurance policy for the event; and will advertise for around the 1st week of August. We have no rules regarding this.

Maine Municipal Employee Health Trust notified us of an increase of \$50.67 per covered policy.

Frank told Vinny In response to his request for a list of clients that are involved with the Steven Wagner letter, our Attorney said we will probably not get it.

Kristin Tremblay's request for reduced taxes due to the fire on Dugway Road property was answered by the Assessor that the bills are based on whatever was there on April 1st.

Cliff received an e-mail concerning Municipal Stream Crossing Grants available.

The Board discussed the loss of a Town truck due to a fire on Sunday Night. John is concerned about how the insurance has it covered, the replacement value or total loss. John asked if we are going to replace the truck and Dick said we may not need to replace it right now. It was stated that we have 4 employees and 5 trucks plus the grader that is set up for a plow. John also brought up the subject of brush control. Frank explained that there is plenty of money in the budget just someone has to do it. Discussion ensued.

Dick presented Frank, John, and Dicky with Certificates for training they recently participated in.

John motioned, Frank second to adjourn. Voted unanimously by a show of hands

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Alvina Day, Administrative Assistant