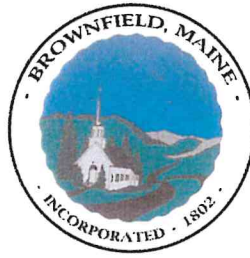


TOWN OF BROWNFIELD



Selectmen's Meeting September 13, 2022 Minutes

Selectmen in Attendance: Dick Norcross, Rick Emery and John Hicks.

Attendees: Fire Chief Richard Perreault; Public Works Director Cliff Cousins; Dana Forcier; Hailey Boudreau; Brian Merrill; Dan Larson; Animal Control Officer Cynthia Eaton; Erik Walker; Cindy Walker; Sooz Eland; Steve Nutting; Bruce Collins; Gail Hart; Lisa Hebert; and Frank Day. Zoom Attendees: Teresa Egan; Carol Johansson and Lynn Boyle.

At 5:33 PM the meeting was called to order by Dick Norcross.

Minutes: John motioned, Rick 2nd to accept the Minutes of August 30, 2022. Vote was unanimous.

Payroll and Accounts Payable Warrants were signed.

Correspondence file was reviewed.

Rick reported on his meeting with Patrick from Northledge Technology concerning the laptop that the Selectmen and Planning Board use for zoom meetings. Patrick has performed some clean-up work on it so we can use it knowing that it is still slow and a lot depends on the internet service. He provided a quote of \$1,124.95 for new laptop which will still depend on the speed of our internet but laptops typically get replaced on a three-year basis. Rick motioned, John 2nd to purchase a new laptop. Vote was unanimous.

After discussion on a request to purchase signs for the Assessor, Robert Konczal's car, John motioned, Rick 2nd, to order a set for \$150.00. Voted was unanimous.

The Board agreed that Joe Egan could use the reader board to post the October 7, 2022, Public Hearing on the proposed Comprehensive Plan. Steve Nutting and Sooz Eland passed out copies to anyone that wanted them and it is also available on the town web site.

Fire Chief, Richard Perreault reported accidents and trees on lines. The town signed today on the property that is behind the Fire House. Article 26 granted \$65,000 for the purchase of U11-21 property. Closing costs were \$825.16 Discussion resulted with the Board agreeing to contact Bliss and to take survey cost out of the capital improvement account. Susan Collins office reached out to him

and the Board told him whatever he can get would save the town money. Dick said he would talk to Wanda to get information for Dicky to write grants.

Public Works Director, Cliff Cousins reported ditching and graveling Dugway Road and replaced a culvert. They will be going back to Farnsworth soon. He was told they could take the docks out any time after Labor Day.

John Hicks reported that Earl Shrier is interested in selling property to Brownfield for a Municipal complex if the town would be willing to pay his taxes for the rest of his life. There was a concern about the response time if the fire house were at a different location.

Brian Merrill asked about the cameras and noise. Dick has viewed the camera and Cindy has downloaded it on the Bridgton PD computer that she has. Rick has seen 4 calves in the pen. Lisa asked Rick if he would set up a meeting with Randy so they could talk about this. Brian would also be interested to attend. Rick said he would share information with the Board concerning the easement and ownership of the cul-de-sac.

It was agreed to put Vinny Lanovara on the 9/20/2022 agenda to discuss: The Town Newsletter and referendum vs special or annual town meetings.

At 6:02 PM Rick motioned, Dick 2nd to enter into executive session per: 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) (E) Legal.

At 6:37 PM John motioned, Rick 2nd to close the executive session and reenter the meeting.

A junk yard permit was signed for Bruce Collins.

A written request for Friday off, was granted for Code Enforcement Officer Michael Vane. Also, a written report on his inspection of 60 Pease lane states that there were no State laws or town ordinances have been violated. He recommends the complaint be dismissed. Building permit 43-20 that he issued to Mr. Bebis had inspections at the rough in stage and again upon the final stage. All work conducted was passed at that time.

From last meeting, Rick motioned, John 2nd to pay the transfer station employees retro to July 1st. Voted unanimous.

The Board is considering a possible warrant article to add a 4th person to the public works and possibility of buying another truck. Review of the transfer station fees resulted with the Board agreeing they are fine as written. Not interested in a new website by Revize Govt websites.

Dick motioned, Rick 2nd to forgive Cindy Walkers FOAA request fee. From now on requests are to be put in the length of time and # of pages to Selectboard before being released. Voted unanimous

It was agreed to ask Patrick for a quote for a new desk computer for Lynn to use.

At 7:40 PM John motioned to adjourn, seconded by Rick. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Alvina Day, Administrative Assistant