

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING

**MARCH 26, 2024**

### MINUTES

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

Attendees: Fire Chief, Richard Perreault; Brian Merrill; Dana Forcier, Jr; Animal Control Officer, Cindy Eaton; Dan Larson; Code Enforcement Officer, Michael Vane; Tiffany Caswell; Public Works Director, Cliff Cousins; Deborah Tait; Chad Pine; Whit Lucy; Barbara Moulton; Vincent Lanovara; and Judi Tordo. Zoom: Cristin; Cynthia; Lori Brann, Gabes ipad; 0098765 & Kathleen Condon.

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

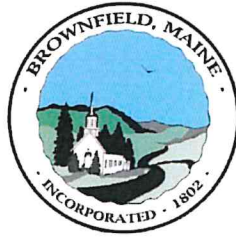
Dick motioned, John second to approve the Minutes of March 19, 2024 Selectmen's Meeting. Voted unanimously by a show of hands.

Payroll (and Accounts Payable) have been approved.

Vincent Lanovara gave an article for the Board for the warrant for town meeting.

ACO, Cindy reported that she took 8 stray cats to Harvest Hills. She, Frank, Randy and Diane met with Matt Randall at Randy Burnell's. She asked if the Town has received a report from Matt yet. Frank answered, not yet. She said they did not realize how close the neighbor's properties are. Matt made suggestions to Randy (keep people off the back side of the property, move the snowmobile trail back to where it originally was and to put some barriers up so the dogs can't see what is going on) but since he only deals with Agriculture, he can only make suggestions. She reported that all of Randy's dogs are contained. Brian Merrill said that he had one of Randy's dogs on his property and Cindy responded that she has not had any calls and when she does get a call, she records and investigates it. Brian asked about the bark collars also.

Fire Chief, Dicky reported in the last 6 days, he had 8 calls, 3 medical calls, they assisted a lost citizen on Burnt Meadow Mountain; 2 assists with cardiac arrest, and mutual aid for Denmark. He reported the Building Committee meeting was well attended on Thursday night and he learned a lot. He went on to say that there is some misinformation out there. On Friday night, he received a call from Carlee in Senator Collins office that has them concerned because a Brownfield resident called and said the article did not pass and we don't want the building. Dick, Dicky and Witt made a conference call on Monday to Senator Collins office to let her know that the article did pass. Frank said what they say on Facebook does not concern him at all but them making a call to the Senator's Office does concern him. Dicky



said if we turn it down this could put a red flag on the Town of Brownfield and make us look bad. He has written grants and is going after another one. John said that this grant is a three for one and it takes a "special kind of stupid to think we are not going to take it". Dick said people should not listen to these negative people.

Frank said the point he wanted to make is, the town approved it and somebody going to State saying that we don't want it, "that's wrong". Dicky said that he is going to continue to move forward with it. They are having another building committee meeting here on April 3, at 12:30 P.M. and an open house at the fire house on 4/20/2024 from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. and Susan Collins office has been invited.

PW Director, Cliff gives Buddy and Josh a thumbs up for their hard work with this storm. Besides getting stuck on Phen Hill, Dugway Rd, & Lord's Hill they had a wing post break. In response to complaints on social media Cliff said, it's the same people all the time and it doesn't bother him. They took a class today and he has a report to do for safety works to show that they are working on it.

John made a motion, Frank second to designate the Planning Board to form an implementation committee for the 2023 comprehensive plan, any communication to the Selectboard will come from the Chair of the Planning Board. Voted unanimously by a show of hands.

Dick made a motion, John second to accept the municipal trail grant (and explained that the snowmobile club bills the State and the State sends the check to Brownfield, and Brownfield gives the money to the snowmobile club). Voted unanimously by a show of hands.

Chad Pine inquired again on the document that was given to the Board on Feb 27<sup>th</sup> by Vinny and was told that the Attorney said that it is not anything the Board has to act on. Alvina said it was a phone call response and that the Board has not discussed it.

Information provided by the Assessor was posted to the website on 3/20/24.

Joanne Thurston requests large stones to be put along the bank at the Historical Society property. She also has a concern about the ditch on Old County Road starting at the Blake Cemetery.

Cliff inquired for the Rec Dept about parking here during the Easter Egg hunt, and was told not to don't block the substation.

CEO Mike Vane, said he talked to the Planning Board about them drafting a noise ordinance. Dan Larson said that there is a camper behind the house that runs a generator 24/7.

The meeting adjourned at 6:03 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Alvina Day, Administrative Assistant