

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES

Monday, July 18, 2016

6:30pm

1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. Kurt Youland called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Present: Mr. Steve Maheu, Mr. Kevin Nichols, Mr. Kurt Youland, Mr. Ralph Caldwell, Mr. Angelo Terreri, Mr. Kurt Schaub, Mr. Leland Searles.
2. **Adjustments to the Agenda:** None
3. **Bid Award – 2006 GMC Sierra 2500HD:** Kevin Nichols removed himself from the table for this agenda item. Six bids were received: Roy Howes in the amount of \$3,100.00, Michael Kopanon in the amount of \$3,753.00, Timothy Tetu in the amount of \$4,800.00, Barry Moses in the amount of \$5,432.12, Matt Scruton in the amount of \$8,579.99 and Kevin Nichols in the amount of \$9,125.01. Motion and second to award the bid to the highest bidder which was Kevin Nichols in the amount of \$9,125.01, unanimous vote.
4. **Highway Department Report: 4-1: Written Report:** Mr. Leland Searles gave a written report of what the highway department has been working on. The board likes the written report but would like to see it also include what future projects are as well. **4-2: Spencer Group Contract:** The Spencer Group has proposed their contract for laying down cold mix. The contract is the same as last year with one exception: this year, instead of billing trucking separately, Spencer added one truck at \$500 a day. Motion and second to accept Spencer Group Contract for this year, but to get more bids next year, unanimous vote. **4-3: Ton Truck Purchase:** After some discussion the board asked Mr. Leland Searles to get specks on different trucks and report back to board. **4-4: Dump Body Purchase:** Same as above Mr. Leland Searles will report back to board with specks.
5. **Building Projects: 5-1: BQMC Restroom/Entrance:** Board will meet at BQMC at 4:30 on Monday July 25th, to discuss design plans. **5-2: Town House Fence/Bell:** Will meet at the Town House following BQMC visit to also discuss design plans.
6. **Town Manager's Report: 6-1: Townsend Brook Road:** Mr. Schaub was recently contacted by Eric Cousens, Deputy Director of Planning and Development for the City of Auburn, about some changes Auburn is contemplating for Townsend Brook Road. They are concerned with the growing number of motor vehicle accidents in which vehicles on Route 4 northbound are rear-ended while stopped to turn left onto Townsend Brook Road. Auburn is planning to do some construction on Townsend Brook Road this summer and is considering prohibiting left hand turns onto Townsend Brook Road. They are considering having traffic turn left onto Fern Street where there is a turning lane. A public meeting is scheduled for Wednesday July, 20th. The board is concerned that traffic will turn onto the road before the old Chick –A- Dee and not go up to Fern Street. No action was taken. **6-2: Tax Foreclosure:** We advised Maine State Housing Authority

about the matured liens on a property on Buckfield Road, which they were given three months to pay the delinquent taxes and the deadline has passed, so we are now clear to bid the property and sell it. Motion and second to contact Maine State Housing Authority to have them discharge the mortgage lien and then put out to bid, unanimous vote. **6-3: Inspection – Bureau of Labor Standards:** Bureau of Labor Standards recently conducted surprise inspections of the Fire Department, Rescue Department, Highway Department and Transfer Station. The inspector was generally pleased with what she found. The departments were aware of a few deficiencies prior to her arrival, mainly in the areas of written program updates and some training, and are taking steps to correct those. **6-4: Annual Audit/Financial Statements:** The annual audit will be conducted on August 4th and 5th, after which we will have final revenue and expense figures for fiscal 2016. We should be looking at committing taxes on August 15th. **6-5: Informational Report:** Reminder the municipal officers from all Androscoggin County towns are requested to meet at the County Building at 6:30pm on Wednesday, July 20th, to nominate two residents from each district to the Budget Committee. The town received its Property and Casualty insurance renewal from MMA, the overall premium is about \$1,500 less than last year.

7. **Consent Agenda:** Motion and second to accept the consent agenda with a correction to the minutes of the July 5th meeting, in regards to item # 5B, the minutes state no action was taken. Correction is that the board approved putting the sign out at the Town Office. Unanimous vote.
8. **Executive Session: MSAD 52 Land Sale – pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A € 405 (6) (E) – Legal:** Motion and second to enter into Executive Session at 8:00pm, unanimous vote.