

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2017
6:30 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. 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. Warren Hood, Mr. Angelo Terreri, Mr. Kurt Schaub, Mr. Bob Boutin, and Mr. Leland Searles. Guest: Ralph Caldwell, Elaine Chenard, Jim Talbot and Barbara Beedy.
- 2. Adjustments to the Agenda:** Add as 6-6 MMA Delegates.
- 3. Public Hearing/Vote – General Assistance: 3-1: Public Hearing:** Motion and second to open Public Hearing at 6:40pm, unanimous vote. The board was provided a summary sheet listing the benefit levels. The overall benefit level is up about 10 percent, driven mainly by the increase in housing maximums. About 70 percent of the town's GA expenses are reimbursed by the Department of Health and Human Services. Motion and second to exit Public Hearing at 6:45pm. **3-2: Action as Warranted:** Motion and second to approve as presented, unanimous vote.
- 4. Highway Department Report: 4-1: Regular Monthly Report:** Mr. Searles provided the board with a list of completed projects. **4-2: Crushing Bid:** The board was provided a copy of the Notice to Contractors Bid for Crushing Services. There will be no pre-bid conference, contractors will meet with Leland directly. Motion and second to approve with changes: add lump sum to line C, change completed date from November 17, 2017 to December 1, 2017, list under bid amounts A, B, & C and remove sealed bid paragraph, unanimous vote.
- 5. Code Enforcement Officer's Report: 5-1: Regular Monthly Report:** Bob Harlow from Big Bear Lane has not been able to get together with his Engineer to date but feels comfortable in planning to attend the Planning Board meeting in October. Been working with Ken Pratt on developing an ordinance violation notification for Varney's Lab due to the neighborhood issues such as barking dogs. Initial contact has been made for annual Automobile Graveyard and/or Junkyard permit renewal. Site inspections are scheduled for Monday, September 11, 2017 and Tuesday, September 12, 2017. Notification of Public Hearing for October 2, 2017 with the Board of Selectmen has been delivered along with applications.
- 6. Town Manager's Report: 6-1: Financial Statements:** Mr. Schaub provided the board with the financial reports for review. **6-2: Proposed Barking Dog Ordinance:** The board was provided a draft of the ordinance. The board would like to review other Towns Barking Dog Ordinance along with this draft to review at next meeting. **6-3: Natural History Club Dissolution:** Mr. Schaub has been hearing from various sources that steps are now being taken by the membership to dissolve the Natural History Club. The sources state a meeting was held at the club earlier this summer during which votes

were taken on the subject of dissolution and the disposition of the building and collections. After hearing a lot of discussions from various club members, that have concerns of the disposition of the building and its collections there was a motion and second to add an article to next year's Town Meeting Warrant to address the above concerns, unanimous vote. **6-4: Snell Hill Road Traffic Signal:** There has been numerous difficulties with this traffic signal in recent weeks. It appears that it goes into flash mode at inappropriate times. The DOT did reprogram the light to add the 9:00pm to 6:00am flash cycle and also changed a sensor camera, but they have not assumed general maintenance duties. Since the reprogramming it has been determined the battery unit that maintains system memory is failing. Which the result of this is that any disruption in power will cause the system to reset itself, including date and time, which means nine hours of flash mode could occur at any time. Maine DOT is going to replace that unit. There has also been problems with the southbound left turn sensor, as the road has worn, the wires in that loop have come to the road surface and cracked, which causes water to seep in and the sensor to fail. DOT will not take care of this problem, so we've instructed out contractor to make that repair. **6-5: Informational Report:** Nothing additional to report. **6-6: Maine Municipal Association Voting Delegate Credentials:** Motion and second to appoint Mr. Angelo Terreri as the designated official Voting Delegate and Mr. Kurt Schaub as the alternate, unanimous vote.

7. **Consent Agenda:** Motion and second to accept the consent agenda, unanimous vote.
8. **Executive Session – Code Enforcement/Big Bear Lane – pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A 405 (6) (H):** Motion and second to enter into Executive Session at 8:15pm, unanimous vote. Motion and second to exit Executive Session at 8:45pm, unanimous vote.
9. **Executive Session – Highway Department Assistant Manager Applications – pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A 405 (6) (A):** Motion and second to enter into Executive Session at 8:45pm, unanimous vote. Motion and second to exit Executive Session at 9:15pm, unanimous vote.
10. **Adjournment:** Motion and second to adjourn at 9:15pm, unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca M. Allaire, CCM