BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2022 6:30PM

- Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance: Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Kurt Youland and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Present: Steve Maheu, Kevin Nichols, Kurt Youland, Warren Hood, Angelo Terreri, Kurt Schaub, Lisa Bennett, Nick Merry, and Dan Brown. Guest: Rachel Pack and Sally Christner.
- Adjustments to the Agenda: Add Poll Permit as 7-9. Nick Merry Purchasing Turn out Gear add as 2A: Fire Tech can have gear in 13 weeks, board asked Nick to get other quotes to Kurt Schaub tomorrow. Motion and second to approve purchasing gear from Fire Tech provided it is lowest, unanimous vote. Add Rachel Pack as 7-10.
- Medical Marijuana Cultivation Area License Nicholas Masterpol/Upstate Gardens:
 3-1: Review Application: The applicant is requesting a license to operate the Medical Marijuana Cultivation Area at 33 Conant Road. The applicant has submitted the required form and supporting information, the background checks are clear and the premises has been inspected.
 3-2: Public Hearing: Opened the Public Hearing, no comments from the public, Closed Public Hearing.
 3-3: Action as Warranted: Motion and second to approve license, unanimous vote.
- 4. Androscoggin County Commissioner Sally Christner: Sally discussed the offer made by the State Police to provide patrol services in Turner. Sally feels that Turner should have been included in the discussion of this offer. Legislative trying to strong arms towns into having own police departments, and Sally feels that towns should make that decision verses legislators. Rescue Chief Lisa Bennett feels that Androscoggin Sheriff department provide more services than the State Police.
- 5. Highway Manager's Report: Report provided to board for review. Spencer's Paving will be working next week to get base coat paving on the remaining gravel surfaces, and the balance will have to wait until spring.
- 6. Code Enforcement Officer's Report: Board reviewed report, all looked good.
- 7. Town Manager's Report: 7-1: Repair work will begin next week. Work in the office area will be done during evening hours, and all work will be completed prior to the November election. 7-2: Heating Fuel Bid: OPEC announced a production curtailment almost immediately after your acceptance of variable price bid for this winter's heating fuels. In light of the OPEC announcement, prices have begun to rise once again, with no relief in sight. Blanchard Cash Fuel, the winning bidder, generously offered the opportunity to convert our acceptance to their fixed price offer. Motion and second to transfer to the fixed price, unanimous. 7-3: North Turner Community Center: In a little more than six weeks, \$10,460.00 was raised to replace the windows and door at the North Turner Community Center. A group of volunteers worked diligently to reach people they believed would be willing to donate. Dave Harrington of Dave's Roofing

and Siding is ordering the windows this week and work will begin on their arrival. 7-4: **Olde French Cemetery:** A local scout, Gavin Holbrook, has been working on its restoration as his Eagle Scout project. Work is now complete, and Kurt Schaub will be going over to inspect it on Thursday. 7-5: Letter to MDOT: A draft letter to MDOT regarding the proposed signal at the Route4/117 intersection was provide for review. Motion and second to approve the letter and send it to MDOT, unanimous vote. 7-6: **Christmas tree Lightening:** The Christmas Tree Lighting/Santa Visit will be on Tuesday, December 6th. **7-7: State Valuation:** Follow up to the state valuation report, Kurt Schaub wanted to see what impact Turner's increase would have on the local school expense distribution. MSAD 52 uses a three year averaging of state values in order to divide the local portion of their budget and runs a year behind. Next year will be based on 2020, 2021 and 2022, and will be 47.84 percent. The year following is the first year the new state value will come into play and Turner's share will be 48.37 percent. 7-8: Bear Pond Improvement Association Letter: A funding request from the Bear Pond Improvement Association for assistance with repairs to its dam was presented to the board. The board tabled this item until have more information. 7-9: Pole Permit: Motion and second to approve pole permit located on Torrey Hill, unanimous vote to approve pole permit. 7-10: Rachel Pack: Christmas Parade: Parade will be on December 3rd starting at 4:00pm, will follow the July 4th parade route.

- **8.** Consent Agenda: Motion and second to approve Abatement/Supplements and consent agenda, unanimous vote.
- 9. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Respectfully submitted, Rebecca M. Allaire, CCM