

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES**  
**DECEMBER 5, 2022**  
**6:30PM**

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** Meeting 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 and Nick Merry.
- 2. Adjustments to the Agenda:** Add dedication to Ras as item 4-8.
- 3. Public Safety Reports:** Total calls for Rescue for the month of November was 113, bringing the calls to date up to 1144, which is up 956 calls from this time last year. Need new LED lights in the Rescue Bays, have gotten a quote from a contractor in the amount of \$2410.00. The board has asked Nick to get two more quotes and will revisit at next meeting. In the month of November Turner Fire Rescue escorted 5 lucky kids to school with a parade of trucks. The department is getting more members joining. Recently had 4 members be certified to go into burning buildings.
- 4. Town Manager's Report:**
  - 4-1: Financial Statements:** All looks good.
  - 4-2: Septage Waste Contract:** The latest 5-year contract was presented to the board from Lewiston-Auburn Water Pollution Control Authority, under which they will accept septage waste from the Town of Turner. Under this agreement, the town pays an annual \$250 administrative fee and agrees to abide by certain conditions, including not to ban the spreading of sludge from their facility. Motion and second to approve the contract as presented, unanimous vote.
  - 4-3: Host Orphans Worldwide Letter Request:** Correspondence presented to the board involving an organization called Host Orphans Worldwide, which a resident is working with to provide safe housing for a couple of teenagers from Ukraine. The resident has requested that a town official sign a letter that, among other things, encourages a foreign government to do certain things. The intention is a good and honorable one, but the nature of the request is well outside our normal and customary practices. The board asked Town Manager to draft a letter to this resident explaining that the town will not be participating in signing this letter.
  - 4-4: Morton Salt Invoices from December 2021:** A month ago we had suddenly received invoices for approximately \$10,000 of road salt that was apparently delivered last December. Have looked into them at length and they are valid invoices.
  - 4-5: Tree Lighting:** All elements are in place for Tuesday's Christmas Tree Lighting/Santa's arrival. The one item that will be different, is the tree. Was not able to arrange for someone to re-string the lights on the 40+ foot tree, so Wes Clark has provided a 16 foot tree that will be nicely festooned for the event and season. After some discussion and disappointment of not having the big tree for the tree lighting and also for the Holiday Season, it was suggested that the town hire someone to put the lights on the big tree and remove the lights every season as residents look forward to seeing the big tree lite up when coming down the road. Motion and second to find someone to put the lights

on the tree and remove them as well every year, unanimous vote. **4-6: Pole Permit:** Highway Manager, Kent Harrington reviewed the pole permit that was discussed at the last meeting and determined it is to be located in the town-road portion of Little Wilson Pond Road. Permit was presented to board for signature. **4-7: Informational Report:** There have been some mechanical issues with two of the Transfer Station compactors. The recycling compactor had to have a pump and motor replaced, and one of the solid waste compactors is getting a new motor on Tuesday. The board would like to see the old motors rebuilt so that the transfer station will have spares.

**5. Consent Agenda:** Motion and second to approve consent agenda, unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rebecca M. Allaire, CCM