

BOARD OF SELECTMENT MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2022
6:30PM

- 1. 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, Kurt Schaub, Lisa Bennett and Nick Merry. Absent: Angelo Terreri. Guest: Sheriff Eric Samson, Chief Deputy Bill Gagne, a good group of town residents, and Mr. Casey
- 2. Adjustments to the Agenda:** None
- 3. Medical Marijuana Cultivation Facility License Renewal – Everett Rice:** **3-1: Review Application:** Routine renewal, there are no violations on this property. **3-2: Public Hearing:** Opened Public Hearing, no comments from the public, closed Public Hearing. **3-3: Action as Warranted:** Motion and second to approve renewal, unanimous.
- 4. County Road – Speeding:** **4-1: Discussion:** Ron Landry had asked that this be put on the agenda to discuss the issue of speeding on town roads. Many residents from various streets attended the meeting to discuss ways to get traffic to slow down, major concerns of another tragedy happening. Some of the ideas were speed bumps, adding sidewalks, more signage, cameras, flashing speed signs, and extra police presence. Chief Deputy Gagne stated that unfortunately the department does not have enough staff to increase the hours of patrol in Turner. Also stated that although cameras are nice law enforcement can't give a speeding ticket from the pictures taken from the cameras. Other discussions were the hill on County Road coming out of Deer Run, suggestions of having that taken out for better visibility as some residents have been rear ended coming out of Deer Run, due to the blind spot. **4-2: Action as Warranted:** No formal action was taken, though members of the board expressed their understanding and concern, and appreciated the comments expressed by the residents. The board will look further into speed control measures and continue discussion on initiatives the town might undertake at subsequent meetings.
- 5. Roadside Mowing Bid:** **5-1: Review Bids:** Warren Hood abstained from this item. Bids were due at 11:00am today, received one bid from Hood Farm LLC, in the amount of \$8,000 and \$110.00 per hour for any additional work. **5-2: Action as Warranted:** Motion and second to award bid to Hood Farm LLC, unanimous vote.
- 6. Public Safety Report:** Total calls for the month of July for Rescue was 95 calls bringing the total calls for the year to 683. Expected to have the Remount by end of August. There were 30 calls for the Fire Department, bringing total calls for the year to 190. Fire Department did a Fire Prevention training at Great Adventure Daycare. Nick would like to get the fire hydrant up and going. Kurt Youland will look into getting the needed pipes.

- 7. Town Manager's Report:**
- 7-1: Financial Statements:** The Board reviewed the current statements.
 - 7-2: Boat Launch Feasibility – Bear Pond Beach:** The site was visited on Monday, July 25th, with an eye toward establishing a boat launch that could be used prior to Memorial Day and after Labor Day, as requested for consideration by the Bear Pond Improvement Association. The Board doesn't feel there is enough water depth to accommodate a boat launch, another concern are the children swimming in the area. Peter Angell will bring the concerns back to the Bear Pond Improvement Association for further discussions.
 - 7-3: Boofy Quimby Hall Progress Report:** Above All Contracting has completed the Boofy Quimby Hall siding. All that remains to complete their scope of work is replacement of the side and rear doors, which aren't due until late August/early September.
 - 7-4: Marijuana Ordinance Amendments:** Kurt Schaub will be attending the Planning Board meeting on Wednesday to get the ball rolling on some corrective amendments.
 - 7-5: Senior Citizen Property Tax Freeze:** Information on this new program are now available on the town's website and has been posted on the town's Facebook page. The application form is also available online or at the Town Office. Forms must be filed by December 1 each year, and it will not take effect until bills sent in 2023.
 - 7-7: Pay Order 23-7:** This covers a stipend for our new Public Safety Director and also a stipend for the Deputy Fire Chief.
 - 7-8: Informational Report:** Kurt Schaub is working on a meeting date for the Comprehensive Planning Committee, as well as gathering vendor information on a GIS-based approach for zoning and other relevant property information, including assessment data.
- 8. Consent Agenda:** Motion and second to approve consent agenda, unanimous vote.
- 9. Deputy Fire Chief Appointment:** Motion and second to enter into Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A 406 (a)(1) at 7:58pm, unanimous vote. Motion and second to exit Executive Session at 8:34pm, unanimous vote. Motion and second to appoint Nick Merry as Deputy Fire Chief. Vote three in favor, one abstain (Mr. Nichols).
- 10. Adjournment:** Motion, second and unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting at 8:23pm.

**Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca M. Allaire, CCM**