

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 20, 2024
6:30PM

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** Meeting was called to order by Kurt Youland at 6:30pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Present: Kevin Nichols, Kurt Youland, Angelo Terreri, Kurt Schaub, Pam Sullivan, Carlton Hiscock, and Ray Harps. Absent: Steve Maheu and Warren Hood. Guest: Steve Healy, Alex Cutter, Alan Holbrook, Susan Harps and Gerard Ellis.
- 2. Adjustment to the Agenda:** Add Road Postings as 7-1A. Motion and second to move Executive Session – Legal – pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 (6) (E) – Enforcement Action to 2A, unanimous vote. Enter into Executive Session at 6:33pm, came out of Executive Session at 6:50pm.
- 3. Liquor License Renewal – Highland Grill:** Routine renewal, have had no issues. Motion and second to approve the renewal liquor license, unanimous vote.
- 4. Medical Marijuana Cultivation License Renewal – Herban Legends, LLC:** This application is to renew the Medical Marijuana Cultivation License held by Veronica Horn at 786 Howes Corner Road. There have been no violations or issues with this property location. Open Public Hearing, no comments, so closed the public hearing. Motion and second to approve the license renewal, unanimous vote.
- 5. New Business: 5-1: Alan Holbrook – Lake Auburn Watershed Association:** Alan’s term is up on the Lake Auburn Watershed Commission, and he has asked to be reappointed. Motion and second to reappoint Alan to a 3-year term, unanimous vote. **5-2: Town Report Bid:** Received two bids one from PrintBangor and Snowman Group, motion and second to award bid to Snowman Group, their price was lower than PrintBangor by about \$650, and Snowman Group has done the report in the past and has always done a great job, unanimous vote to award to Snowman Group. **5-3: Zoning Change – Hillendale Property:** Hillendale is requesting that the egg farm be rezoned as Rural 1, to provide greater flexibility for future owners of the property. Postpone until the next meeting when the full board is present. **5-4: Paving and Construction - 2024:** Several items related to paving and construction projects were presented. First item was a spreadsheet from the current year projects and their financial status, town has a balance of \$285,000 to get complete projects. Also provided was a rundown of roads to be considered for work in the FY 2025 budget year. The board has asked Town Manager, Kurt Schaub to look at the budget and rework what can be done this year and what will need to be done next fiscal year.
- 6. Old Business: 6-1: Quitclaim Deed – Tax Acquired Property:** Former owner of this property has not responded to multiple letters from our attorney on this matter, so the plan is to close the sale and follow the requirements of the new law, which is to settle the tax account and send the remaining proceeds to the former owner. The deed is in

the name of an LLC owned by the third highest bidder for this property as the first and second highest bidders dropped out of consideration.

- 7. Regular Reports:**
 - 7-1: Highway Manager:** Report looked good.
 - 7-1A: Posting Roads:** Motion and second to grant Kent Harrington permission to post roads as he sees appropriate, unanimous vote.
 - 7-2: Code Enforcement Officer:** No discussion report looks good.
 - 7-3: Town Manager Report:**
 - 7-3a: Municipal Revenue Sharing Projection – FY 2025:** Initial estimate for next year's Revenue Sharing is forecast to be \$675,007, which is an increase from this year's projection, which was \$668,950.
 - 7-3b: Tax Increment Financing:** Kurt Schaub is attempting to arrange a meeting with the Selectmen and Eric Cousins, a Turner resident who is also Auburn's Planning Director. Eric has direct experience with Tax Increment Financing projects and is very willing to share his experience with Turner.
 - 7-3c: Town Report:** Kurt Schaub will be focusing on the Town Report over the next two weeks, so submissions/reports need to be provided by Monday, February 26th.
 - 7-3d: FEMA – December Storm:** FEMA representatives were in town this past week to review damage to individual properties. The town has until February 29th to submit a formal claim.
- 8. Consent Agenda:** Motion and second to accept consent agenda, unanimous vote.
- 9. Executive Session:** Moved to 2A. Entered back into Executive Session at 8:10pm. Motion, second and unanimous vote to exit Executive Session at 8:47pm.
- 10. Adjournment:** Motion, second and unanimous vote to Adjourn at 8:47pm.

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