

BOARD OF SELECTMENT MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, MAY 6, 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: Steve Maheu, Kevin Nichols, Kurt Youland, Warren Hood, Angelo Terreri, Kurt Schaub and Nick Merry. Guest: Abby Terreri and Pam Bosse.
- 2. Adjustments to the Agenda:** Discuss changing meeting time add as 3-4.
- 3. Old Business: 3-1: Paving and Construction – FY 2024 Projects:** A spreadsheet on this year's projects, with paving tonnage/cost added. Paving tonnage has been coming in under the variance estimate, which means we'll have some funds remaining to put forward gravel and/or culverts for FTY2025 projects. The only roads remaining at this point are Tidswell Road and Trask Road. Trask may get done this year only because the crew has not been able to get to the tree work and ditching that should be done prior to paving. We've included it on the bid list for 2025.
3-2: Comprehensive Plan: The completed review application and documents have been submitted and are now being reviewed by the planning people in Augusta. If all goes well, we the town should have an answer in early July as to whether or not it meets consistency standards. **3-3: Lake Auburn Watershed Protection Commission Amendment:** Now that the lawsuit filed against Auburn by the City of Lewiston has been settled, the town again has been asked to sign off on the amendment. Board would like to revisit next meeting after having more time to review the amendment. **3-4: Changing the time of Selectmen Meetings:** Motion and second to change the Selectmen Meetings to 6:00pm from 6:30pm, unanimous vote.
- 4. New Business: 4-1: New Highway Truck:** Kent Harrington located a new Western Star truck chassis that meets the town's specifications, at a price that is about \$5,000 less than initially quoted. The truck is available now, which is an additional benefit as availability of newly ordered units is now extended to December because of delays in obtaining transmissions. The difference between this truck and the one Kent was initially looking for is that the new one will be orange not red, and the rear wheels are the same as what came on our first two Western Stars, and not the last one we purchased. The purchase price was initially \$155,034, and Kent was able to get it for \$153,034. Kent is also looking for approval for the dump body and other equipment that will need to be added, which is roughly an additional \$111,000. Motion and second to approve purchase of truck for \$153,034, unanimous vote.

Motion and second to go ahead with purchasing the dump body, unanimous vote.

4-2: MMA Legislative Policy Committee: Maine Municipal Association is requesting nominations for the Legislative Policy Committee. Board declined to make any nominations. **4-3: Merrill's Mill Road – Gravel:** Kurt Youland, step away for this agenda item. Priced gravel for Merrill's Mill Road, Kent is estimating he will need 1,300 yards of 4" gravel, and another 1,300 yards of 1.5" gravel. The price at K.R. Youland and Son comes to \$36,400.00 and \$42,900.00 to purchase from Pidacks in Livermore. Motion and second to award K.R. Youland and Son for \$36,400.00, unanimous vote, Kurt Youland did not vote. **4-4: Pole Permit – Berry Road:** Motion and second to approve pole permit, unanimous vote.

- 5. Regular Reports:**
- 5-1: Fire Department:** The department responded to 42 calls for the month of April, bringing the total number of calls to 176 for the year. The crew have been focusing on back flushing the dry hydrants as well as helping with the Basic Fire School.
 - 5-2: Rescue Department:** Chief Lisa Bennett will report during the May 20th meeting.
 - 5-3: Projects:**
 - 5-3a: Leavitt Institute Roof:** Randy Langley replaced the roof over the entryway. We are waiting on a number/scope of work for him to do the replacement over the remainder of the building. Board asked Kurt Schaub to get three quotes.
 - 5-3b: Boofy Quimby Hall- Sign/Renovation:** A proposed sign and price for the building-mount sign, in the amount of \$1475 to be done by Mike Spugnardi were provided to the board for review. The invoice does not include what the sign is made of, or what the design would be. Board asked Kurt Schaub to also get a proposed sign and price from the Sign Store, and if the town goes with Mike Spugnardi for the sign, make sure he has a deadline for it to be completed and mounted. As for the renovations, Kurt Schaub met with Kelvin Youland and after reviewing many aspects/details of the proposed project, he suggested Kurt meet with Dave Rogers about getting some drawings put together. Dave has been extremely helpful, and the outcome of his initial review is enclosed for the board to review. Dave noted however we need to look at the building in its entirety for items such as life safety code and the like. Dave suggested taking the plan and proposing it to a licensed engineer for a code review. Kurt Schaub will reach out to Tom Perkins, to see if he would be interested in reviewing the plan.
 - 5-3c: Transfer Station:** Nothing to report
 - 5-3d: Town House –** Area was cleared of trees and brush last week so CMP could reconnect power.
 - 5-4: Town Manager:**
 - 5-4a: Financial Reports:** The most recent revenue and expense reports were provided to the board for review.
 - 5-4b: Paving Bid:** A draft paving bid was provided to the board for review. Motion and second to send out the bid with a deadline of October 15, 2024.
 - 5-4c: Town Office Computers:** Three of six workstations were replaced.
 - 5-4d: FEMA Cemetery Repairs:** Among the items we are still working on

with FEMA concerning the December storm are repairs that are being made to the cemetery known as the Harlow Family Cemetery on Route 4. Multiple stones and the wrought iron fence were damaged by a very large tree that snapped and fell into the cemetery. The stones are very old and require specialized skill to repair. Kurt would like to get a vote to authorize a sole source procurement for these repairs, the total cost of the repairs is \$7,050.00, of which 90 percent will be covered by FEMA. Motion and second to authorize the repairs, unanimous vote.

- 6. Consent Agenda:** Motion and second to accept the consent agenda, unanimous vote.
- 7. Executive session:** Motion and second to enter into executive session at 7:45pm, unanimous vote. A: Legal/Enforcement Matter – pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 (6) (E)
B: Union Negotiation/AFSCME – pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 (6) (D). Sessions concluded at 8:04pm.
- 8. Adjournment:** Motion, second and unanimous vote to adjourn at 8:05pm.

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