

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, APRIL 21, 2025

6:00PM

1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance: Meeting** was called to order at 6:00pm by Kurt Youland and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Present: Steve Maheu, Kevin Nichols, Kurt Youland, Warren Hood, Angelo Terreri, Kurt Schaub Guest: Kate Ault-Abbruzzese, James Talbot and Jennifer Talbot.
2. **Adjustments to the Agenda:** No adjustments
3. **Organizational Meeting – Separate Agenda:** See separate minutes.
4. **Adult Use Marijuana Retail Store License Renewal – Treetop Crops, d/b/a The Pre-Roll Barn:** **4-1: Review Application:** Application reviewed **4-2: Public Hearing:** Opened Public Hearing no comments, closed Public Hearing. **4-3: Action as Warranted:** Motion and second to approve license renewal, unanimous vote.
5. **New Business: 5-1: Turner Farmer's Market –** Kate Abbruzzese has taken the helm on the Farmer's Market and is looking for approval to operate the market again this season on Tuesday afternoons from 4:00pm to 6:00pm June 3rd – August 26th by the Natural History Club building. Motion and second to approve, unanimous vote.
6. **Old Business: 6-1: Grounds Maintenance Bids: Received** two bids, one from Maine Seasons Property Management LLC in the amount of \$50,000 and Landfill \$2,500, second from S&R Lawncare & Plowing in the amount of \$ 24,000 and Landfill \$1,400.00. Motion and second to award bid to S&R Lawncare, unanimous vote. **6-2: Leavitt Institute: Elevator** and lift passed inspection. **6-3: Boofy Quimby Hall: Tom** Perkins sent his firm's standard contract for design services. **6-4: Public Works Well:** The trench has been dug, and the line is run. Connection to the electrical panel is next. The crew is plugging away at getting the former Fire/Rescue generator hooked into the building panel.
7. **Regular Reports: 7-1: Highway Manager: The** department plans on returning to their four, 10-hour days schedule beginning Monday, April 28th. Kent will start pulling posted roads this week. **7-2: Code Enforcement Officer: All** looks good. **7-3: Town Manager: 7-3a: Town Meeting Budgets: Town** Manager provided a draft summary of the town's fiscal 2026 budget, based on Town Meeting action. **7-3b: 4-Day Work Week Trial: The** trial period for the Town Office 4-day work week will begin on Monday, May 5th. Hours will be Monday-Thursday, from 7:30am- to 6:00pm and closed on Friday's. **7-3c: Duplicate Poles:** Town Manager sat in on a Department of Transportation video conference on utility issues. Apparently the DOT's Chief Engineer, Joyce Taylor, is set to have legislation introduced that would fine

companies that fail to complete transfers from old to new poles in a timely manner. The word is that she's giving them six months to make noticeable progress and will move on the legislative route if progress is less than sufficient. **7-3e: County**

Budget Committee: It's time to nominate members of the Androscoggin County Budget Committee, the caucus will be held on Wednesday, May 21st. Kevin Nichols has termed it out. Will discuss further at next meeting. **7-3f: Pay Orders: The Maine** Municipal Association Health Trust has asked that we establish pay rates earlier than we usually do so that billing for programs that are based on wages. Motion and second to increasing the Moderator's pay from \$175 up to \$300, unanimous vote.

8. **Consent Agenda:** Motion and second to approve the consent agenda, minus the April 7th meeting minutes, unanimous vote.

9. **Executive Session:** Motion and second to enter Executive Session at 7:37pm, unanimous vote. Motion and second to exit Executive Session at 8:49pm, unanimous vote. Motion, second and unanimous vote to hold Special Meeting at 5:00pm on Tuesday, April 22, to discuss Fire Department operations with chief.

10. Adjournment: Motion, second and unanimous vote to adjourn at 8:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca M. Allaire, LCC