

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 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, Rescue Chief Lisa Bennett, Fire Department Members Lucien Richard and Camden Pack, and Brent Fanjoy.
2. **Adjustments to the Agenda:**
  - 5-3g: Pavement Issues
  - 5-3h: Duplicate Utility Poles
3. **New Business:** **3-1: Harlow Consent Agreement:** **3-1a: Review Agreement** – The elements of the agreement were reviewed. **3-1b: Public Hearing** – No public comments were offered. **3-1c: Action as Warranted** – Motion, second and unanimous vote to approve the Consent Agreement as presented. **3-2: Vacationland Cannabis Company – Medical Marijuana Retail Store License Renewal:** **3-2a: Review Application** - The application was reviewed. **3-2b: Public Hearing** – No public comments were offered. **3-2c: Action as Warranted** – Motion, second and unanimous vote to approve the renewal application. **3-3: Roadside Mowing Bid:** **3-3a: Review Bids** – One bid was received, from Hood Farm, LLC, in the amount of \$8,000 (same as 2024). **3-3b: Action as Warranted** – Motion, second and voted four in favor, one abstain (Hood) to award the bid to Hood Farm, LLC.
4. **Old Business/Projects:** **4-1: Leavitt Institute** - No report; **4-2: Boofy Quimby Hall** – Dirigo still working on plans/bid package. Video meeting tomorrow morning on Community Resilience Program grant for heat pumps. **4-3: Transfer Station** – Breakdown on recent Saturday discussed and whether repairs can be done by Highway crew. Would help if hauler could swap compactor boxes on a Saturday. Mr. Schaub reported he is getting prices to replace a bulky waste container. Could keep old one to be used when compactor problems arise. Mr. Youland reported on test pits to gauge amount of ledge in area where recycling compactor will be relocated. Doesn't appear to be as much as anticipated. Motion, second, unanimous vote to have Public Works clear trees/brush within 30 feet of existing pavement. **4-4: Public Works Building** – No report. **4-5: North Parish Road Sidewalk** – No report.
5. **Regular Reports:** **5-1: Fire Department** – Lucien Richard reported on behalf of Chief Steve Michaud. Eighteen calls for month, 245 year to date. Reported the

tanker is in the shop for pump repairs, as regulations permit welding on that type of pump. He said two quotes were received for updated SCBA gear. Savings found by not having to replace air bottles at this time. Low bid is for 12 packs/12 masks, from Fire Tech, for \$84,900. With \$48,000 King Foundation grant and reserve funds, price will allow two trucks to be equipped, with \$9,500 +/- to be left in Fire Safety Equipment Reserve. Motion, second and unanimous vote to purchase 12 packs/12 masks from Fire Tech. Also reported on purchase of new Jaffrey Valve for Engine 2, to get water pumping faster, plus upcoming training on ladders. Department meeting nights are now 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of month. Mileage logs reviewed – Selectmen noted appreciation for content. **5-2: Rescue Department** – Chief Lisa Bennett reported 111 calls for month, 719 year to date, which is 28 more than last year. Training programs for staff now being made available through Maine Health. Rescue Unit 1 now at Murray for repairs. This is the truck due for remount that has been postponed because of vendor delays. Station work due to start soon – painting, changing molding, sheetrock work in bays, etc. Changing oxygen vendors due to excessive service fees – switch expected to save \$1,800 per year. **5-3: Town Manager: 5-3a: Financial Statements** – Reports reviewed. Budgets to be included when taxes committed. **5-3b: Human Resources Policy Revision** – Motion, second and unanimous vote to approve revision so certain supplemental insurance programs can be offered by payroll deduction to regular part-time employees. **5-3c: Surplus Property Sale – Willard Drive** – Motion, second and unanimous vote to proceed with property sale as outlined. **5-3d: Hartford Fire/Rescue Contract** – Contract only needs confirming signature. **5-3e: Tax Commitment** – Assessing staff currently doing field work – on target for late August/early September tax commitment. **5-3f: Town Manager Vacation** – Motion, second and unanimous vote to approve Kurt Schaub’s vacation for week of August 24. **5-3g: Pavement Issues** – Kurt Youland reported on meeting with paving company to review deterioration on Lone Pine Road and Merrill’s Mills Road – both of which were paved last year. On Merrill’s Mills Road, company will seal 4,000 feet with black beauty sand. On Lone Pine, road will be resurfaced for \$22,000, which can be done in 2026. **5-3h: Mr. Youland** said that, despite prior complaints, there are still many duplicate utility poles around town. Mr. Schaub said problem been noted by Maine DOT and said he’d check to see if they’ve made any headway on this.

6. **Consent Agenda:** Motion, second and unanimous vote to approve the Consent Agenda.
7. **Planning Board Appointment:** There was no Executive Session. Motion, second and unanimous vote to appoint Jeffrey “Pete” Preble to the Planning Board.

**8. Adjourn:** Motion, second and unanimous vote to adjourn at 7:35pm.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Kurt E. Schaub**

**Town Manager**