

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 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 and Kent Harrington. Guest: Dennis Spencer
2. **Adjustments to the Agenda:** Add Old Town House as 4-2c.
3. **New Business: 3-1: Turner Center Road Construction Detour – Jeff Timberlake:** Jeff called Kurt Schaub last week with some concern over allowing traffic to be detoured via School House Hill and/or Lower Street during the replacement of the Turner Center Bridge over the Nezinscot River. The board would like to have MDOT attend a selectmen meeting so that they can address their concerns, Kurt Schaub will reach out to MDOT to schedule. **3-2: Paving Tonnage/Application – Dennis Spencer:** Annual concern over the amount of shim that is going on the roads prior to surface paving has again come up. Kurt Youland and Dennis Spencer got together on this and would like to discuss the shim application with the board. Dennis explained that when the bid goes out should think about adding more tonnage due to the varied needs for shim. Plains road and Mason rd. are still left to do. Kent feels that Mason Rd can wait until next year. Motion and second to do Plains Rd and do Mason Rd next year, unanimous vote. **3-3: Marijuana Business License Renewal – 45 North Cannabis Adult Use Retail Store:** Routine renewal, and there have been no issues of record. Motion and second to approve license, unanimous vote. **3-4: Marijuana Business License Renewal – J.T. Nadeau, LLC, Adult Use Cultivation Area: 3-4a: Review Application:** Passed all inspections, **3-4b: Public Hearing:** Opened public hearing, no comments from the public. **3-4c: Action as Warranted:** Motion and second to approve the license, unanimous vote.
4. **Old Business: Leavitt Institute: 4-1a: Meeting Update:** The Leavitt Institute Board met this past Tuesday to prioritize their work projects for the coming year. They intend to focus on some building repairs, including finishing the entryway, repairs to the front columns and other features of the front porch, as well as other areas. **4-1b :** They also agreed to recommend your appointment of Linda Poland to the board. Motion and second to appoint Linda Poland to the Leavitt Institute Board, unanimous vote. **4-2: Boofy Quimby Hall :** Ready to move forward with a Resiliency Grant application for a heat pump system. Dirigo is finishing up their work on the plans for the hall and will pass along their HVAC plans and cost

estimate soon so they can get started on the grant process. **4-2c: Old Town House:**

The board asked Kurt Schaub to have someone look at the chimney. Have code officer, Ross Gagne check the Old Town House on a monthly basis. **4-3: Transfer**

Station: 4-3a: Bulky Waste Container Replacement: Town Manager, Kurt Schaub solicited quotes from four roll off container manufacturers and obtained prices from two. The containers that we have received are not exactly identical, but both are considered heavy-duty, 40-yard containers. The first, American Made Dumpsters, is for a bathtub-style unit with 10-gauge body and 3/16 floor. The second is for a Wastequip unit that has straight sides, like the models we currently have, also with a 10-gauge body and a ¼ floor. The weight of the American Made unit is 6,600 pounds, and the Wastequip model is 7,260. The cost of the American Made unit is \$8,143.85 and the Wastequip is \$9,800.00 – both figures include delivery. Motion and second for the American Made for \$8,143.85, 4 in favor, 1 opposed. **4-4: Public Works:** Nothing new

5. **Regular Reports: 5-1: Highway Manager:** All looked good, no discussion. **5-2: Code Enforcement Officer:** All looked good, no discussion. **5-3: Town Manager:**
5-3a: Duplicate Utility Poles: Email correspondence from the Maine Department of Transportation states that the double-pole issues have been a statewide, ongoing concern for many years. MDOT has given the communications companies until fall to develop and submit a comprehensive transfer plan. **5-3b: Planning Board Update:** The Planning Board recently approved a solar project for property owned by Gard Twitchell that will be placed behind the Irish Snowmobile store on Route 4. It is unlikely to be seen from the road or the abutters. Other approvals include a new site on Route 4 for SR1's storage container sales plus a new building at their existing site on the west side of Route 4 that will be dedicated to camper trailer sales and service. Public hearings will be held this coming Wednesday for an expansion of the daycare next to Jimmy's General Store and for Don Blanchard's diesel fuel storage plant, which will be on Route 4 directly south of D and N Sales/Paws Lodge. Also in the works are a new quarry on Brigeen Farm property off of Upper Street as well as a new cell tower to be located off of Bean Street. I also have heard from Tractor Supply that they are ready to begin work on their new facility on Route 4, opposite 74 Auto. **5-3c: Human Resources Policy Update:** The policy has been updated with the recent change regarding supplemental insurance benefits.
6. **Consent Agenda:** Motion and second to approve the consent agenda, unanimous vote.
7. **Executive Session – Legal- pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A 405 (6) (E) – Code Violations:** Motion and second to enter into executive session at 7:00pm, unanimous vote. Motion and second to conclude executive session at 7:30pm, unanimous vote.

8. Adjournment: Motion, second and unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm.

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