

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2026

6:00PM

1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** Meeting was called to order by Kurt Youland, and the pledge of Allegiance was said. Present: Steve Maheu, Kevin Nichols, Kurt Youland, Cody Craig, Angelo Terreri, Kurt Schaub, Lisa Bennett and Zac Creps. Guests: Stephanie Pratt, Jeff Perry, Bll Adams, Barbara Perry, Rachel Anderson Choate, Dale Bryant, Penelope Lane, Melissa Lane, Warren Hood.
2. **Adjustments to the Agenda:** Motion, second and unanimous vote to add Pleasant Pond Conservancy as item 3-3.
3. **New Business: 3-1: Roadside Mowing Bid:** Mr. Schaub reported one bid was received, from Hood Farm, in the amount of \$8,500.00 - \$500.00 more than last year, but the first increase since 2022. Motion, second, unanimous vote to award bid to Hood Farm. **3-2: Eagle Scout Project Proposal – Penelope Lane:** Penelope Lane described her planned Eagle Scout Project, which is to build and place a Flag Drop Box at the Transfer Station, for residents to deposit worn out American flags. She said it would be an appropriate alternative to putting flags in the trash, as the Scouts conduct flag retirement ceremonies. Mr. Terreri suggested putting the box at the Town Office (by side entrance sidewalk), for 24/7 access. Motion, second and unanimous to move forward with project. **3-2: Pleasant Pond Conservancy:** Stephanie Pratt discussed problems with the unauthorized placement of an extra board in the Pleasant Pond outlet dam. She said it is making the water level of the pond higher than it is supposed to be, based on a 1997 document adopted by the Conservancy. She also said there has been an influx of outside boaters visiting the pond and parking along both sides of Pleasant Pond Road by the boat launch which is impeding the flow of traffic and blocking the fire hydrant at the launch. She asked if signs could be installed to better direct parking. Motion and second to approve up to \$500.00 from the Pond Conservation Fund to provide signage for parking and advising not to interfere with the dam. Four in favor, one opposed.
4. **Old Business/Projects: 4-1: Boofy Quimby Hall:** Nothing to report/ **4-2: Transfer Station:** Design change was reviewed. New compactors and containers will be surface mounted instead of in pits, which should reduce construction cost. Engineer to be advised that retaining wall is not needed as grade has come down. Price quote for new compactor and moving old one received from United Hydraulics, agreed to get another from Atlantic Recycling. K.R. Youland needs under a day to finish prep work at the site, which will fall within the previously

approved authorization. **4-3: Leavitt Institute:** Mr. Schaub reported the wheelchair lift is currently not functioning but that repairs are scheduled. **4-4: Historic Buildings:** Previously requested tree work has been done.

- 5. Regular Reports: 5-1: Fire Department:** Zac Creps reported 49 calls in July, and 192 year-to-date. Training has been on the new First Due computer program. A purchase agreement was reviewed for the tanker/pumper coming from Minnesota. Agreed Mr. Schaub to sign. Motion, second and unanimous vote to send deposit (\$39,350.00) for the truck. Crepos said most of the quipment from the old Engine 1 will be transferred to the new truck when it is received, and Engine 1 will function as a reserve tanker. He said that North Station has been cleaned, and that he'd like to use South Station as a training center. Motion, second and unanimous vote to sell surplus equipment from North Station on GovDeals, with proceeds to revert to Fire Department Equipment Reserve. **5-2: Rescue Department:** Chief Lisa Bennett reported 108 calls in July and 689 year-to-date. Training and budget updates to come. She discussed new law requiring municipalities to define, post and report their emergency medical transportation plan to Maine EMS. Chief Bennett will draft and provide at August 17 meeting. She said Central Maine Medical Center will still be source for scheduled medications and is taking steps to be sure that continues. She said newly remounted Rescue 1 may be delivered in September. She said Fire/Rescue members were recognized at Farmers Market for assisting with a birth in the Northland Plaza parking lot. She also had a crew recognized by LifeFlight for their efforts on a workplace accident. **5-3: Town Manager:** Mr. Schaub reported O'Donnell is updating assessing records in preparation for tax commitment, that an Adult-Use Marijuana Retail Store License would be available soon, and that a land use violation matter would be in court in early October.
- 6. Consent Agenda:** Mr. Youland reviewed the warrants, all good. Motion, second and unanimous vote to accept the Consent Agenda.
- 7. Executive Session – Personnel – Position Vacancies:** Motion, second and unanimous vote to enter into Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. Section 405(6)(a) at 8:20pm. Motion, second and unanimous vote to exit Executive Session at 8:36pm. Motion, second and unanimous vote to appoint Zac Creps as Fire Chief, effective July 20, with standard six-month probationary period.
- 8. Adjourn:** Motion, second, unanimous vote to adjourn at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kurt E. Schaub