

**February 13, 2023**

**SELECTBOARD MINUTES**

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Present: Terry Bergeron, Chair; Tim DeMillo, Vice Chair; Tom Goding, Lee Ann Dalessandro, Gary McGrane, Shiloh LaFreniere, Town Manager; Raeleen York, Deputy Clerk

Guests: Adrienne Foss (Daily Bulldog & Mt Blue TV)

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**1. Pledge of Allegiance** – 6:00 p.m. -Tim led the pledge.

**2. Minutes – January 30, 2023** – M/M/S Gary/Tom to approve the Selectboard minutes from the January 30, 2023 meeting. Vote 5-0-0

**3. Old Business** –

Fire Department: The short term fire services agreement between Jay, Livermore and Livermore Falls has been approved by all 3 Boards. Jay’s invoice for Oct-Dec has been submitted to Livermore Falls.

Sewer: The Livermore Falls Board approved taking \$10,000 from the joint reserve account for purchasing the utility truck from the Livermore Falls Fire Department.

Head Start Building Lease: Community Concepts agrees with the new lease parameters. The new lease has been approved, signed, and returned.

Website: It was stated in the newspaper by someone from another town that Jay paid \$7500 for our new website. That was incorrect. The town actually paid \$2500.

**4. Safety Mission Statement** – M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to approve the Town’s Safety Mission Statement for 2023. Vote 5-0-0

**5. Delinquent Tax Rate for 2023-2024** – The current rate is 4% which was the maximum allowed for last year. The State has set a maximum allowable rate of 8% this year. Gary made a motion to set the delinquent tax rate at 4% for the 2023-24 tax year. No one seconded the motion. Motion failed. M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to set the interest rate on delinquent taxes at 6% for the 2023-2024 tax year. Vote 4-1-0 (Gary opposed)

**6. Town Meeting Warrant & Public Hearing Notice** – M/M/S Terry/Lee Ann to approve the order to the Clerk for the Town Meeting Warrant. Vote 5-0-0 M/M/S Terry/Tim to approve and sign the notice of Public Hearing on Warrant Articles for the April 25<sup>th</sup> Town Meeting. Vote 5-0-0

**7. Community Resilience Grant – Foam Roof Project** – Larry O’Rourke from Optimal Energy Group put out an RFP on our behalf. He received 2 proposals back. Maine Insulation Systems quoted \$58,000 and Dixfield Foam Insulation quoted \$58,240. With the additional procurement fee the final costs would be \$63,800 and \$64,064 respectively. Tom recommended Dixfield Foam Insulation (DFI) because he knows their reputation and work and they are in the next town over. M/M/S Tim/Tom to award the project to Dixfield Foam Insulation. Vote 5-0-0. \$50,000 will come from grant money. M/M/S Tim/Tom to take the remaining \$14,060 for the roof project from ARPA funds. Vote 5-0-0.

**8. Pole Location Permit – Lavoie Street** – M/M/S Lee Ann/Gary to approve a pole location permit from CMP and Consolidated Communications to replace a pole on Lavoie Street. Vote 5-0-0

**9. Northern Border Regional Commission Grant** – Maine Development Foundation will be submitting a FORMaine application to Northern Border Regional Commission which will include the Town of Jay. MDF is looking to help towns decide what direction they want to move in for the future. We are looking at different opportunities for the area. The Selectboard will be asked for a letter of support at an upcoming meeting.

**10. Other Business** – Posted Roads – M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to confirm posting of the roads on February 12, 2023. Vote 5-0-0.

Terry announced the upcoming dates of interest.

M/M/S Tim/Tom to adjourn at 6:19 pm. Vote 5-0-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Raeleen M. York