

Minutes

March 26, 2018

Present: Terry Bergeron, Chair; Tim DeMillo, Vice Chair; Keith Cornelio; Judy Diaz. (Gary McGrane, absent) Shiloh LaFreniere, Town Manager

Guests: Donna Perry, Sun Journal; Ben Hanstein, Daily Bulldog; John Johnson, Public Works Director; Mark Holt, Sewer Supt.; Tom Goding; Terry Brann, County Commissioner; Robert Richmond; Justin Merrill; Dan Latham, Mechanic

1. Pledge of Allegiance: 6:00 pm

2. Minutes: M/M/S Judy/Keith to approve the minutes of March 12th (Public Hearing, Assessors, and Regular Meeting) as written. Vote: 4-0-0.

3. Old Business: None

4. Sand/Salt Building Repairs: Bancroft Corp. completed temporary repairs to the building to secure the damaged wall. The insurance company has approved the repairs as listed in an estimate provided by Bancroft (the original builders). A decision needs to be made as to how to proceed. Options are to put the project out to bid, or to award the project to Bancroft. Questions were raised as to whether the door needs to be replaced as it is a substantial cost. Shiloh had asked the insurance company if it was necessary to replace the door, and they are checking on the legalities and possible safety concerns of leaving the building open. John praised Bancroft Corp. for their very fast response time in securing the building. M/M/S Judy/Terry to put the Sand/Salt Building repairs out to bid and to formalize a spec sheet with similar conditions as the recent Storage Shed Roof project. Vote: 3-1-0. (Tim)

5. Firewood from East Jay Cutting: The Public Works crew has been cutting and clearing on Town property along the East Jay Rd. There are approximately 15-20 cords of wood, cut in 4 ft. length and piled on the property. In the past, proceeds from the raffle or bidding of firewood has been deposited into the Tower Fund to be used for recreational activities. A lengthy discussion ensued and included many issues such as: safety and insurance concerns if the wood is processed and/or picked up by the buyer from the East Jay property; cost of transporting the wood to a central location for scaling and pick up; hiring a logger to transport the wood vs. having the Public Works crew transport; selling the wood directly to the Mill; delivering the wood to the buyer vs. having the buyer pick up; and if putting a minimum bid would be appropriate. M/M/S Keith/Terry to table discussion for two weeks. Vote: 4-0-0.

6. Route 4 Sewer Line Settlement Agreement: The Town has received a settlement check from Pratt & Son in the amount of \$14,500.00 from the recently signed Settlement Agreement. The Board had discussed depositing the check into the Sewer Reserve account, but a formal vote is needed to designate the funds to the Sewer Reserve. M/M/S Judy/Keith to deposit the check into the Sewer Reserve Account. Vote: 4-0-0.

7. Discussion on County Funding of GFDC: Area managers from Jay, Wilton, Rangeley and Farmington received an inquiry from the Town Manager from Carrabasset Valley questioning whether there was interest in encouraging the Franklin County Commissioners to support funding Greater Franklin Development in their budget. Shiloh asked if the Board would like to

take a position on the matter and/or meet with the Commissioners. A history of GFDC and its funding was discussed. Concern was expressed that the Town might be circumventing the Budget Committee/Commissioner process. Also, concern was expressed about taking a position on one item in the County budget and not looking at all of it. M/M/S Judy/Keith to leave it up to the Franklin County Commissioners and Franklin County Budget Committee. Vote: 4-0-0.

8. Appointment of Election Clerks: M/M/S Judy/Terry to appoint the Election Clerks as listed: Appointment of Election Clerks as Nominated by the Democrats at their Caucus: Elaine Romano; Debbie McGrane; Barbara Cook; Winnie Shink; Patty Doiron; Leanne Wood; Pricilla Pineau; Anita Harvell; Jill Gingras; Maggie Houlihan; Susanne Luciano. - Appointment of Election Clerks that have been serving as Republicans (Republicans did not nominate Election Clerks at their Caucus): Pam Newton; Lori Shink; Joyce Couture; Maryanne Mancine; Phyllis Boivin; Lillian Wight; Donna Ladd.

9. Other Business:

The fence at the tax acquired property on Church/Horan St. impairs site distance and should be taken down. John Johnson, Public Works Director asked the Board for permission to remove the fence. The fence impedes visibility at the intersection. M/M/S Judy/Terry to allow the Public Works Department to remove the fence. Vote: 4-0-0.

The Maine Municipal Association is seeking individuals to sit on their Executive Committee. Shiloh would like to apply to serve. The Board unanimously gave their support.

Shiloh informed the Board that the Planning Board will be meeting on April 3rd and 17th and will be discussing changes to the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. A Parker Pond (Parkhurst) resident questioned the classification of the pond and the Planning Board will be discussing whether to keep it in the Resource Protection District or to move it to a less restrictive classification. Ronda Palmer has had discussions with AVCOG and the State and has been informed that there is some leeway on that classification. The Planning Board will vote on amendments to the Ordinance and then it will be brought before the Board to certify for the June town meeting warrant. Shiloh encouraged the Board to attend the meetings and participate in the discussion if they are interested in this.

10. Executive Session – Union (Police Dept.): M/M/S - Tim/Judy to go into Executive Session under MRSA Title 1 Chapter 13 Section 405, Subsection 6 for the purpose of discussing a PD Union Issue. Vote 4-0-0. Terry declared the Board out of Executive Session.

M/M/S – Judy/Tim to adjourn at 7:42. Vote 4-0-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Bryant

April 3rd: Planning Board Meeting – 7:00

April 5th: RSU District Vote 6:00 – SMMS Café

April 9th: Select Board Meeting 6:00

April 17th: Planning Board Meeting – 7:00

April 11th: Recreation Committee Meeting – 6:00

April 12th: Broadband Meeting - Niles Library

April 23rd: Select Board Meeting 6:00

April 24th: Town Meeting 8:00 – 8:00