

**May 13, 2024**  
**SELECTBOARD MINUTES**

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

Guests: Trinity Smith (Mt. Blue TV), Donna Perry (Sun Journal), Mike Booker (Fire Chief), Richard Caton (Police Chief), Jill Gingras (Treasurer), Mark Holt (Sewer Superintendent), Mark Mancini

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

**2. Public Hearing on Sewer Rates** – Terry opened the Public Hearing. He asked for comments or questions. There were none. Terry closed the Public Hearing.

**3. Set Sewer Rates** – M/M/S Lee Ann/Tim to set the sewer rates at \$320 minimum up to 3200 cubic feet and \$0.125/cf. over 3200 cf. for the 2024-25 billing cycle. Vote 4-0-0.

**4. Minutes – April 24, 2024** – M/M/S Lee Ann/Gary to approve the minutes from the April 24, 2024 Selectboard meeting. Vote 4-0-0.

**5. Old Business** – Gary asked about the truck that was damaged. Insurance is covering everything except the blown motor. Shiloh believes we have already received the check. There will be more information on a truck repair/replacement at the next meeting.

**6. Livermore Falls Sewer Flow Split Agreement – Annual Update** – Jay’s percentage in 2023-24 was 57.7%. The proposed split for 2024-25 is 58.5% Jay and 41.5% Livermore Falls. M/M/S Tim/Lee Ann to approve Appendix C for the coming year as presented contingent upon the Livermore Falls Selectboard approval. Vote 4-0-0.

Mark gave an update on the Sewer project expenses. Total funding for the project is \$24 million. The project total is \$21,150,032. The grant total is \$16,252,800. The resulting loan amount is \$4.897232 million with payments approximately \$158,000 per year per town.

There is a section of pipe on Main Street that is damaged from the June storm. Mark would like permission to put out an RFP for relining the pipe. A liner will not impact the flow. Possibly FEMA will pay for it. It would cover approximately 1250 feet from Skyline to Summit Street. M/M/S Lee Ann/Gary to put an RFP out for the relining of pipe on Main Street and get results back for the June 10<sup>th</sup> Selectboard meeting. Vote 4-0-0.

**7. Memorial Markers Purchase Request** – M/M/S Gary/Lee Ann to approve the purchase of memorial markers for Dot White and Larry White for the gazebo and recently planted tree respectively in the amount of \$267.61. Vote 4-0-0

**8. Police Department Cruiser Purchase** – Richard told the Selectboard that they lost the motor in the newest cruiser. It is covered under warranty. The 2021 has about 90,000 miles on it. There is \$71,000 in the P.D. capital fund. Richard has started looking for a new cruiser. He has received 2 bids. Island Tech Services of Hermon, Maine would have one that comes ready to use- all outfitted for \$61,803.07 or less. ProVehicle would have one that costs \$50,000 not outfitted. It would cost about \$11,000 to outfit. It would not come to us ready. Richard’s preference would be Island Tech.

He would also like to put the tan sedan out to bid once the other vehicle comes in. He can take \$10,000 from the SRO line and give the SRO the vehicle they will be rotating out. M/M/S Gary/Lee Ann to purchase a new cruiser through Island Tech for \$61,803.07. Vote 4-0-0. M/M/S Tim/Lee Ann to put the sedan out to bid with no minimum bid requirement. Vote 4-0-0

**9. Request for Proposals – Public Works Sand/Salt Building Repair** – The sand and salt building at the Public Works facility needs repairs to the south wall and to secure the metal roofing. The siding on the back wall needs to be replaced and the metal roofing on the entire building needs to be secured. M/M/S Lee Ann/Gary to put out and RFP for the siding and metal roofing repair work at the sand and salt building. Vote 4-0-0.

**10. Ed MacDonald Safety Enhancement Grant – FD** – The fire department has been awarded the Ed MacDonald Safety Enhancement Grant by MMA’s Workers Compensation Fund. It is for the purchase of a full set of Turnout Gear. The grant is for \$3,000. Total cost of the gear is \$4,534. M/M/S Lee Ann/Tim to accept the Ed MacDonald Safety Enhancement Grant for \$3,000 to purchase Turnout Gear with the remaining balance to be paid from the Fire Dept. Operating Budget. Vote 4-0-0

The fire department parking lot needs to be repaved. It is not covered by FEMA. A cement pad should also be placed in front of the bay doors. Pike’s will do the paving when they do the other proposed work for the town. Mike needs approval for an RFP for the concrete work. M/M/S Lee Ann/Tim to put together an RFP for concrete work at the Fire Station in North Jay and add paving to Pike’s work with money from the Fire Department capital fund and to have the RFPs back for the June 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. Vote 4-0-0. Public Works will do the prep work.

**11. Request for Proposals – Realtor Services** – M/M/S Lee Ann/Gary to approve an RFP for Realtor Services to provide real estate brokerage services, primarily to assist the Town in disposing of tax and/or sewer-acquired properties. Vote 4-0-0

**12. Marijuana Ordinance – Request for Amendment** – Mark Mancini would like to amend the marijuana ordinance. He wants to remove the 200 foot setback requirement. He is currently operating in Turner but is outgrowing his space and would like to move the operation to Jay. Any amendment to the ordinance would have to be voted on by the residents. The Selectboard can propose an amendment to the ordinance and put it on a warrant to be voted on or, if they choose not to, Mark could circulate a petition to get signatures to have it added to a warrant. M/M/S Tim/Terry to bring back the marijuana committee and get their input on the marijuana ordinance proposed amendments and then the Selectboard can decide what to do. Vote 4-0-0

**13. Other Business** – Terry announced upcoming dates of interest.

M/M/S Tim/Lee Ann to adjourn. Vote 4-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Raeleen M. York