

June 10, 2024
SELECTBOARD MINUTES

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

Guests: Trinity Smith (Mt. Blue TV/Daily Bulldog), Donna Perry (Sun Journal), Mark Holt (Sewer Superintendent), John Johnson (Public Works), Mike Booker (Fire Chief), Tom Cerulli, Amy Soper, Serria Belanger, Jessica Bousquet, Michael Belanger

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

2. Public Hearings on Liquor Licenses:

Special Taste Testing Event for Eco Fest & River Clean-Up Celebration – Public hearing held. Event to take place from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to approve the liquor license for the Special Taste Testing event. Vote 5-0-0

Backwoods Eatery – Public hearing held. It was noted that the property is 1/3 mile from the nearest church. This was corrected on the application. M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to approve a liquor license for Backwoods Eatery. Vote 5-0-0.

3. Minutes – May 28, 2024 – M/M/S Tim/Tom to approve the minutes from the May 28, 2024 Selectboard meeting. Vote 5-0-0.

4. Old Business - No discussion.

5. Begin Road Stream Crossing Reconstruction Project Bids – The town received 3 bids. J. Pratt Construction, Inc. bid \$365,763.00. C.H. Stevenson, Inc. bid \$374,575.00. Bedard Excavation bid #385,000.00. M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to award the Begin Road Stream Crossing Reconstruction Project to J. Pratt Construction, Inc. for \$365,763.00 Vote 5-0-0

6. Hutchinson Road Ridley Brook Crossing Reconstruction Project Bid – The town received 3 bids. Starrett Snow & Landscape Services bid \$310,000.00. J. Pratt Construction, Inc. bid \$375,135.00. Bedard Excavation bid \$675,000.00 M/M/S Tim/Tom to award the Hutchinson Road Ridley Brook Crossing Reconstruction Project to Starrett Snow & Landscaping Services for \$310,000.00. Vote 5-0-0

7. Public Works Sand and Salt Building Repair Bids – The town received 1 bid from Thomas C. Goding Construction for \$43,700. M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to award the Public Works Sand and Salt Building Repair project to Thomas C. Goding Construction for \$43,700. Vote 3-1-1 Gary opposed. Tom abstained.

8. Ultraviolet Cured-In-Place Sewer Pipe Bids – The town received 2 bids. Vortex Services, LLC bid \$39,840.00 plus \$7,500 for each 10” diameter pipe point repair and \$12,500 for each protruding service connection. National Water Main Cleaning Co. bid \$106,758.75 plus \$4,500 for each 10” diameter pipe point repair and \$100.00 for each protruding service connection. M/M/S Gary/Tom to award the Ultraviolet Cured-In-Place Sewer Pipe project to Vortex Services, LLC. Vote 5-0-0

9. North Jay Fire Station Concrete Apron Bids & Paving – The town received 3 bids. Grimaldi Concrete Floors bid \$17,560.00. Another bid from Grimaldi Concrete Floors was \$18,511.00. Thomas C. Goding Building Constructors bid \$12,955.00. M/M/S Lee Ann/Tim to award the North Jay Fire Station Concrete Apron project to Thomas C. Goding Building Constructors. Vote 3-1-1. Gary opposed. Tom abstained.

The paving at the North Jay fire station was already discussed at a previous meeting. An alternative to digging up the pavement, redoing the base and repaving is proposed. This would be a 1.5 inch surface layer over the existing pavement and walkway. This would cost approximately \$15,000 versus the original cost of \$32,000. M/M/S Gary/Tom to have Pike's do a 1.5 inch surface layer over the existing pavement and walkway at the North Jay fire station for an estimated \$15,000. Vote 5-0-0

10. Dixfield – Police Services Proposal Request – Gary made a motion to move forward with the proposal. There was no second to the motion. Motion died. M/M/S Tom/Lee Ann to not pursue a proposal for Dixfield to provide them with police services. Vote 5-0-0

11. Central Maine Cost Recovery Contract Revision- CMCR is increasing their percentage of recovered costs. There was some confusion on whether it will be going to 35% temporarily and then back down to 20% or if it will be at 25% permanently going forward. The \$25 per claim minimum is being eliminated. Regardless of which it is, Chief Booker recommended staying with the program. Through June 30, 2023 CMCR recovered \$8,503 for the town and in the current fiscal year they have collected \$4,654. M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to accept the revised contract with Central Maine Cost Recovery pending clarification of the changes. Vote 5-0-0

12. Other Business – Legislative Policy Committee – Gary would like to continue to serve on this committee. Lee Ann/Tom to nominate Gary for the Legislative Policy Committee. Vote 5-0-0.

Terry announced upcoming dates of interest.

13. Executive Session – MRS Title 1, Ch. 13, Sect. 405 ss 6.A. Personnel – Compensation - M/M/S Tim/Tom to go into Executive Session under MRS Title 1, Ch. 13, Sect. 405 ss 6.A. Personnel – Compensation. Terry declared the Board out of Executive Session. M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to allow the Town Manager to carry over any remaining earned time into the coming fiscal year. Vote 5-0-0

M/M/S Tim/Gary to adjourn. Vote 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Raeleen M. York