Selectmen’s Meeting Minutes

November 18th, 2024

Roster: Selectmen: Raymond Poulin, Janet White, David Veilleux

Town Manager: Stacie Rundlett, Lori Alyea, James Reinhard, Leisa and Richard Burns, Lynn and David Cary, Brian Rundlett

1. Janet called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

2. The Board reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting. Raymond motioned to accept the minutes as written, David 2nd and all were in favor.

3. Old Business- NONE

4. Items by the Public- There were questions regarding culverts and a discussion on how the roads have been graded. The Board will have a discussion with the Road Commissioner to see how to resolve some of the current issues.

5. Department Heads- NONE

6. Items by the Town Manager

a. The Board reviewed and signed the payroll and A/C warrants.

b. Stacie updated the Board that she sent out 11 foreclosure notices.

c. There was a brief discussion on New Maine Paid Family and Medical Leave Program. Stacie was waiting for confirmation on what qualifies as an employee.

d. There was a brief discussion on ARPA funding deadline 12/31/2024. Janet motioned to earmark the remaining ARPA funds, approximately 10,000 dollars, for communication purposes for the New Portland Fire Department. Raymond 2nd and all were in favor.

7. Items by the Board of Selectmen

a. The Board reviewed and signed the Somerset County ME Hazard Mitigation Plan, 2024 update.

b. The Board Review and add verbiage to Local Food and Community Self-Governance Ordinance of 2025

c. The Board reviewed the abatement requests.

1. Janet motioned to grant Gabe Clark an abatement in the amount of 2,064.24, David 2nd and all were in favor.

2. Janet motioned to grant Elavon, INC an abatement in the amount of 1.66, Raymond 2nd and all were in favor.

The Board asked Stacie to contact Kevin Roberts from the ENL ATV Club to attend the next meeting to answer some questions. The Board scheduled a Public Hearing on 3 ordinances and an ATV question for January 11th, 2025 at 9am. There was a discussion on possibly hiring a full-time Road Commissioner. No decisions were made. The Board asked Stacie to reach out to Ernie Hilton, to see if he would be the moderator for the 2025 annual Town Meeting. There was a discussion regarding the annual town meeting and how to ensure that all those in attendance voting were legal to do so. Stacie would discuss the matter with the Town Clerk and get back to the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm

*These minutes were approved by the Board at the December 3rd meeting. smr*