

# Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

## April 24, 2018; 5:00 P.M.

Board Members Present: Gregory N. Watkins, Chairman; Glenn R. Zaidman, Vice-Chairman; Robert P. Murphy; Robert J. McHatton, Sr.; G. Frederick Packard

Administration Present: Town Manager Robert Peabody; Deputy Town Manager Georgiann Fleck; Deputy Town Clerk Suzzanah Forsythe; Public Works Director Jim Kidder; Fire Chief Steve Fay; Police Chief Richard Stillman

### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Watkins called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board recited the "Pledge of Allegiance."

### \*Executive Session

#### Per MRS Title 1, Section 405.6.A; Personnel Matters

**Motion** made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to postpone the executive session indefinitely; second by Selectman McHatton. 5 approved/0 opposed.

### 3. Approval of Minutes

#### a. April 3, 2018

**Motion** made by Selectman Packard to approve the minutes from April 3, 2018; second by Selectman Murphy. 5 approved/0 opposed.

#### b. April 10, 2018

**Motion** made by Selectman Packard to approve the minutes from April 10, 2018; second by Selectman Murphy. 5 approved/0 opposed.

### 4. Public Comments and Presentations on Non-Agenda Items

Mike Davis came to the podium asking about the painting of lamp posts; Selectman McHatton replied for the Lions Club. They plan to still do the project and will let Mr. Kidder know the date once they have one.

### 5. Committee Reports

Carmen Lone came to the podium for the CDC recommending an electronic sign with the historic structure and same style letting that is in place now.

Mike Davis came to the podium for the Events Committee announcing they had their first meeting which had a great turn out.

Chuck Renneker stepped up to the podium to talk about use of staff time; Chairman Watkins stated it would be addressed under agenda item 8b.

### 6. Correspondence and Other Pertinent Information

#### a. Resignation of Steve Rickert From Community Development Committee

Chairman Watkins read the resignation letter from Mr. Rickert. **Motion** made by Selectman McHatton to accept the resignation; second by Selectman Packard. 5 approved/0 opposed. Deputy Town Manager Fleck asked Chairman Watkins if the Board would like her to write up a letter thanking him for his service.

b. Correspondence from Eastern Slope Airport Authority

Chairman Watkins read the correspondence from Eastern Slope Airport Authority asking for the Town Of Bridgton to appoint a representative who will participate constructively in the future. **Motion** was made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to rescind the appointment of the current person; second by Selectman McHatton. 5 approved/0 opposed. **Motion** was made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to appoint Selectman Packard as the Bridgton Representative for the Airport as he is familiar with the area and likes planes; second by Selectman Murphy. 5 approved/0 opposed.

c. Citizen's Petition

Chairman Watkins read the Citizens Petitions article, alternative article, and the suggested article concerning town-owned property. Tom Smith stepped up the podium and voiced concerns about a prior sale of Town owned property, Chuck Renneker also voiced similar concerns. **Motion** made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to put forth a Board recommendation of a no vote second by Selectman McHatton. 4 approved/1 opposed (Selectman Murphy).

7. New Business

a. Awards and Other Administrative Recommendations

1. Code Enforcement Officer's Recommendations for Tax Acquired Property;  
230 Hio Ridge Road (tabled from 4/10/2018)

**Motion** made by Vic-Chairman Zaidman to move this off the table; second by Selectman McHatton. 5 approved/0 opposed.

Code Enforcement Officer recommends to completion of the work needs to be done within 90 days. Corrections that are needed are: 1. Smoke and CO detectors installed; 2. Handrails for the stairs to second floor; 3. Septic system designed and installed. Rob Baker clarified with Chairman Watkins that this allows the option of a gray water system. **Motion** made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman for approval of the CEO recommendations; second by Selectman Packard 5 approved/0 opposed.

2. Code Enforcement Officer's Recommendations for Tax Acquired Property;  
1 Green Street

Code Enforcement Officer Rob Baker recommends complete to work within 90 days. Corrections needed are: 1. Porch needs to be replaced or repaired; 2. Garage to be torn down; 3. Smoke alarms in each bedroom and CO detectors (one per floor) installed 4. Windows replaced; 5. Balusters on east side deck. **Motion** made by Selectman Packard to approve the CEO recommendations; seconded by McHatton. 5 approved/0 opposed.

2. Review of Personnel Policy

The Board reviewed the grievance section of the personnel policy; Jim Kidder stepped up to the podium to clarify the procedures with the union.

b. Permits/Documents Requiring Board Approval

1. Victualer's License (Renewals)

- a. Maine Lobster Express; Ricky's Diner, Sammy's Scoops; Vivo Country Italian Restaurant & Bar; Morning Glory Diner; The Black Horse Tavern.

**Motion** for approval of the Victualer License's was made by Selectman Murphy; second by Selectman Packard. 5 approved/0 opposed.

2. Accept Payment & Approve Quit Claim Deed to Eric A. O'Connell for Tax  
Acquired Property; Map 8 Lot 39B-09

**Motion** for approval to accept payment and approve the Quitclaim Deed to Eric O'Connell was made by Selectman Packard; second by Selectman Murphy. 5 approved/0 opposed.

3. Accept Payment & Approve Quit Claim Deed to Eric A. O'Connell for Tax  
Acquired Property; Map 8 Lot 39B-11

**Motion** to accept payment and approve the Quitclaim Deed to Eric O'Connell made by Selectman Packard; second by Selectman Murphy. 5 approved/0 opposed.

3. Sewer Commitment #206; Route 3

**Motion** was made to approve Sewer Commitment # 206 was made by Selectman McHatton; second by Vice-Chairman Zaidman. 5 approved/0 opposed.

4. Warrant and Notice of Election for MSAD 61 Budget Validation Referendum 5/22/2018

**Motion** to sign the Warrant and Notice of Election for MASD 61 was made by Selectman McHatton; second by Vice-Chairman Zaidman. 5 approved/0 opposed.

c. Selectmen's Concern

**Motion** was made by Selectman McHatton for the town attorney to come as soon as possible for a meeting with the Town Manager and Selectmen; seconded by Vice-Chairman Zaidman. 5 approved/0 opposed.

d. Town Manager's Report/ Deputy Town Manager's Report

TOWN OF BRIDGTON  
DEPUTY TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT  
April 24, 2018

General Government

The Town Manager received six applications for the position of Planner/Community Development Director. Application deadline was Friday, April 20, 2018.

To date, the Town Manager has received 6 applications for the position of Transfer Station Laborer. Applications are due by 4:00p.m. Friday, April 27, 2018. For information please refer to the Town of Bridgton website at [www.bridgtonmaine.org](http://www.bridgtonmaine.org) or contact Bob A. Peabody Jr., Town Manager at 647-8786.

Several Staff Members, including myself, will be attending an autism awareness class which will be held at the Fryeburg Rescue facility in Fryeburg on Wednesday, April 25th from 6:30p.m. to 8:30p.m.

Fire Department

Fire Chief, Steve Fay, would like to remind property owners that if you have a dry hydrant in your development that you are responsible for it needs to be maintained, therefore, please make sure that it is readily visible and free of any brush or other inhibiting growth throughout the year. Please contact Chief Fay at 647-8814 or refer to the Town of Bridgton's website at [www.bridgtonmaine.org](http://www.bridgtonmaine.org) and reference the Fire Protection for Subdivision Ordinance.

Firefighter Adam Cook has completed NFPA 1001: Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications. Adam finished firefighter I and II and is now “Pro-Board” certified. The Bridgton Fire Department would like to recognize Adam on this accomplishment which required over two years and hundreds of hours of training.

On Saturday, April 28, 2018 the Bridgton Fire Department will host its annual Fire Department banquet to recognize its fire department members for their service throughout the year. The banquet will be held at Campfire Grille in Bridgton. Last minute RSVPs may still be considered by contacting Chief Fay at 647-8814. I would like to let the public know that 3 or more members of the Board of Selectmen may be attending the banquet but no official business will be conducted.

Bridgton Fire Department continues to accept applications. To become a member please contact Chief Fay at 647-8814.

#### Police Department

The Bridgton Police Department along with other local public safety entities will be hosting the 2nd Youth Safety Day at Stevens Brook Elementary on Saturday, May 5 from 10a.m. to 2p.m. There will be food, fun and prizes as well as live entertainment by a group of 8th graders! Kids will be able to bring their own bike, receive a FREE helmet and ride through our course. They will also be able to tour public safety vehicles, talk with first responders, learn how to call 911 and answer all the questions, how to do chest compressions for CPR, use a fire extinguisher and more. Any questions please contact Ashley M. Hutter, Public Safety Admin Assistant at 207-647-8814.

The annual drug takeback day will take place on Saturday, April 28, 2018 from 10:00a.m. to 2:00p.m. at the Bridgton Community Center located on Depot Street, Bridgton.

#### Recreation

The March/April Bridgton Recreation Newsletter is now available on the Town of Bridgton’s website at [www.bridgtonmaine.org](http://www.bridgtonmaine.org) and at the Town Office. Some of the highlights include first games have been scheduled for softball and baseball; Jr. Home Run Derby @ the Ham Complex, summer camp, swim lessons and t-ball registration is open. The Town of Bridgton has openings for Lifeguards for this summer and a need for umpires for softball and baseball. For more information please contact Recreation Director, Gary Colello at 647-1126.

Respectfully submitted,  
Georgiann M. Fleck  
Deputy Town Manager

#### 8. Old Business

##### a. Town Hall Sign (double sided)

**Motion** was made to have the sign show the address not the website by Vice-Chairman Zaidman; second by Selectman Murphy. 3 approved/2 opposed (Selectman McHatton and Chairman Watkins). The Board also mentioned they would like the reader board sign enclosed.

##### b. Discussion of Staff Resource to Community Development Committee & Land Use Committee

Bill O’Connor and Chuck Renneker came forward and mentioned the use of a staff member had been very helpful; however the Committee’s not at a point of needing one for a month or so. Vice-Chairman Zaidman asked for them to put together a list of legal expenses.

Carmen Lone came forward for the CDC committee as they do use a staff member to print out data/documents that they need. That they have helped with the guidance of the grant process. Selectman McHatton asked if the CDC would be able to do some projects for the Selectmen and make reports on them.

Catherine Pinkham also came forward to let the Selectmen know there is no Ordinance Committee as of right now because they need members.

Chairman Watkins asked if they could meet with someone from the Waste Water Committee and the Recycling Committee.

9. Treasurer's Warrants

**Motion** was made to approve Treasurer's Warrants 86, 87, and 89 by Selectman Murphy; second by Selectman Packard. 5 approved /0 opposed.

10. MSAD #61

There was no discussion under this item.

11. Public Comments and Presentations on Non-Agenda Items

Mike Davis and Carmon Lone came to the Podium to discuss the sign for the Old Town Hall.

12. Dates for the Next Board of Selectman's Meeting and/or Workshop

May 8, 2018; Regular Meeting

May 22, 2018; Regular Meeting

13. Adjourn

Chairman Watkins adjourned the meeting at 7:23 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzzanah Forsythe  
Deputy Town Clerk