

Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2018; 4:00 P.M.

Board Members Present: Liston E. Eastman, Chairman; Glenn R. Zaidman, Vice-Chairman; Robert P. Murphy; Carmen E. Lone

Board Members Absent: G. Frederick Packard

Administration Present: Town Manager Robert Peabody; Deputy Town Manager Georgiann Fleck; Town Clerk Laurie Chadbourne; Public Works Director Jim Kidder; Fire Chief Steve Fay

1. Call to Order

Chairman Eastman called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board recited the "Pledge of Allegiance."

3. 9/11 Recognition

4. Executive Session per MRS 1 § 405.6.E; Legal Matters (Salmon Point)

Motion was made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to enter into executive session at 4:11 P.M. per MRS 1 Title 405.6.E for discussion of legal matters; second from Selectman Lone. 3 approve/0 oppose

Selectman Murphy joined the meeting at 4:45 P.M.

Motion was made by Selectman Lone to exit executive session at 5:23 P.M.; second from Selectman Murphy. 4 approve/0 oppose

5. Approval of Minutes

a. August 28, 2018

Motion was made by Selectman Lone for approval of the minutes of the August 28, 2018 Board Meeting; second from Vice-Chairman Zaidman. 4 approve/0 oppose

b. September 6, 2018

Motion was made by Selectman Lone for approval of the minutes from the September 6, 2018 Board Meeting; second from Vice-Chairman Zaidman. 4 approve/0 oppose

6. Public Comments and Presentations on Non-Agenda Items (*Each speaker may be limited to 3 minutes.*)

Mark Harmon asked why the Fire Department rescue boat is out of service to which Chairman Eastman responded that the boat is being repaired. Mr. Harmon asked who is doing the work to which Chairman Eastman responded that the work is being done by members within the Fire Department. Mr. Harmon voiced safety concerns with not having a profession do the repairs.

Mark Harmon asked why fire department membership has decreased by half to which Selectman Lone responded that the Fire Chief addressed this issue a few weeks ago and this same information is available at any time. Mr. Harmon noted that a long time firefighter was asked to step down as Assistant Fire Chief and asked why to which Town Manager Peabody responded that this is a personnel issue. Mr. Harmon commented that Bridgton needs its on call firefighters more than the firefighters need the Town of Bridgton.

Mark Harmon noted that there is about one hundred acres off Foster Pond that could generate revenue for the Town by cutting. Public Works Director Kidder responded that the property is in the Hancock Land Trust and along with other woods lots, the revenue generated from cutting went into a special fund and a certain percentage is used every year to lower taxes.

Chairman Eastman brought agenda item 10 forward.

10. Public Hearing at 5:30 P.M.

a. Special Amusement Permit Application to Shawnee Peak Holdings, LLC

Chairman Eastman opened the public hearing at 5:35 P.M. to accept written and oral comments on a Special Amusement Permit application from Shawnee Peak Holdings, LLC. There were no public comments. Chairman Eastman closed the hearing at 5:36 P.M.

11. Action Items Following Executive Session

a. Special Amusement Permit to Shawnee Peak Holdings, LLC

Motion was made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to approve a Special Amusement Permit for Shawnee Peak Holdings, LLC; second from Selectman Lone. 4 approve/0 oppose

7. Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

8. Correspondence and Other Pertinent Information

a. Depot Street Grass

Lucia Terry of Perennial Point of View was in attendance. Chairman Eastman voiced concerns about the lack of grass on Depot Street that was planted and seeded and does not support moving forward with the contract. Ms. Terry responded that the green is crab grass and starts coming about the middle of June, it was a tough summer and had she known, she may have made other choices. She believes that it will germinate in the spring and once it gets going, will save the town money over the long run. Sue Hatch encouraged the Board to give this a chance.

9. New Business

a. Awards and Other Administrative Recommendations

1. MSAD #61 Board of Director Vacancy

There is currently a vacancy on the MSAD #61 Board of Directors. Per MRS 20-A Chapter 103 ¶1254, vacancies may be filled by the municipal officers selecting an interim director or waiting until the next annual election. A copy of the roster was provided to the Board as well as a copy of the advertisement seeking interest. The Board will review the committee applications at their next meeting.

2. Revisions to Use of Town Owned/Leased Vehicles Policy

At the Board's request, the Town Manager, Deputy Town Manager, Police Chief, Fire Chief and Public Works Director met to discuss and provide recommendations of revisions, if any, to the Use of Town Owned/Leased Vehicles Policy. In Section 1.1 a sentence has been added allowing the Fire Chief to use the official vehicle for personal use at his discretion. **Motion** was made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to approve the revised Town of Bridgton Use of Town Owned Vehicle(s) Policy effective September 11, 2018; second from Selectman Murphy. 4 approve/0 oppose

3. NFPA Codes & Standards Enforcement

The Board received an opinion from the Town Attorney on whether the Fire Chief can enforce certain NFPA codes and standards. The answer is yes, if authorized by the Select Board. Town Manager Peabody stated that he worked with the Town Attorney to develop an Ordinance which will be considered by the voters in November which goes into more depth and detail than the NFPA codes and standards and clarifies the alignment

with local ordinances. Deputy Town Manager Fleck added that, through the ordinance, authority is also given to the Planning Board and CEO as well as comprehensive rules and regulations that may not be covered under NFPA. Vice-Chairman Zaidman asked what the cost to develop the ordinance was to which Town Manager Peabody will obtain that information and report back. **Motion** was made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to authorize the Fire Chief to enforce the NFPA codes and standards as adopted by the Fire Marshal's Office; second from Selectman Murphy. 4 approve/0 oppose

b. Permits/Documents Requiring Board Approval

1. Accept Payment and Approve Quit Claim Deed to Boody (Map 24, Lot 68)

Motion was made by Selectman Lone to accept payment and approve a Municipal Quitclaim Deed to Tina and Brian Boody for property described as Map 24, Lot 68 on the Town of Bridgton Tax Maps; second from Vice-Chairman Zaidman. 4 approve/0 oppose

2. Accept Payment and Approve Quit Claim Deed to Richardson (Map 13, Lot 52B)

Motion was made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to accept payment and approve a Municipal Quitclaim Deed to Clifford and Ellen Richardson for property described as Map 13, Lot 52B on the Town of Bridgton Tax Maps; second from Selectman Lone. 4 approve/0 oppose

3. Use of Municipal Parking Lot; Pleasant Mountain Chapter of Bridgton M.O.A.L.

Motion was made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to approve Pleasant Mountain Chapter of the Maine Obsolete Auto League's requested use of the Town Office parking lot for Car Club Cruise Nights from 5:00 P.M. until 7:30 P.M. on May 29, June 5, 12, 19, 29, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, August 2, 14, 21, 28 and September 4, 2019; second from Selectman Lone. 4 approve/0 oppose

c. Selectmen's Concerns

- **Selectman Murphy** had no concerns.
- **Vice-Chairman Zaidman** would like the Board to meet with the Community Development Block Grant Director to discuss grant funds and provide the Board with updated information and processes. Town Manager Peabody will make arrangements for the next available meeting.
- **Vice-Chairman Zaidman** commended the Transfer Station for receiving another positive report.
- **Vice-Chairman Zaidman** asked for a status update of the Town Hall signs to which Chairman Eastman responded that Muddy River Signs will have the signs ready within two weeks for the public works department to install.
- **Vice-Chairman Zaidman** asked if MDOT has responded to the request regarding the study near Meadow Road. Chairman Eastman responded that Chief Stillman has been collecting data to incorporate into this letter. Town Manager Peabody added that the Board requested the study be conducted during a summer weekend and that is when the study will take place.
- **Selectman Lone** had no concerns.
- **Chairman Eastman** had no concerns.

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

Town Manager Peabody submitted and read the following report into the record:

**"Manager's Report
09/11/18**

The Public Works Director informed me that the arborist has finished the inspection of Pondicherry Park. The report will be forthcoming.

Recruitment for the Community Development Director position ends as of 4:00pm this Friday.

The Town has stopped testing the beaches for the year."

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These items were addressed earlier in the meeting.

12. Old Business (Board of Selectmen Discussion Only)

a. Wastewater Expansion Update

Chairman Eastman would like to set up a series of workshops to provide public information regarding the Wastewater, Streetscape and Lower Main Street projects prior to the vote in November. Vice-Chairman Zaidman requested that the Town Manager reach out to the Wastewater Committee members to see if there is any interest in helping with educating the public.

13. Treasurer's Warrants

Motion was made by Selectman Lone for approval of Treasurer's Warrants numbered 17, 19, 20, 21, and 22; second from Vice-Chairman Zaidman. 4 approve/0 oppose

14. Public Comments and Presentations on Non-Agenda Items (Each speaker may be limited to 3 minutes.)

Catherine Spencer noted that she has not seen anything in the newspaper or in the engineers report or in the environmental report regarding a definitive capacity. She asked if the system may require expansion in five years.

Vice-Chairman Zaidman noted that this information is in the engineering report which is available on the website.

Sue Hatch stated that she does not have a computer and requested that all the information be placed in the Bridgton News for public information.

Mr. Bullard appreciates and thanked the Board for setting up workshops to educate the public on the proposed projects.

Selectman Lone recognized that the public wants information and the Town should be making all that available.

Chairman Eastman searched the website for information regarding the Wastewater, Streetscape and Lower Main Street Projects and was not able to locate anything newer than 2017. Town Manager Peabody will ensure that the up to date reports and information is made available on the website.

15. Dates for the Next Board

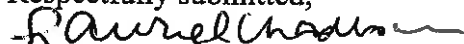
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16. Adjourn

Chairman Eastman adjourned the meeting at 6:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Laurie L. Chadbourne

Town Clerk