

Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2019; 4:00 P.M.

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

Administration Present: Deputy Town Manager Georgiann Fleck; Deputy Town Clerk Samantha Eichel; Public Works Director Jim Kidder

1. Call to Order

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

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Executive Session per MRS Title 1 Section 405.6.E.; Legal Matters

Motion was made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to enter executive session pursuant to MRS Title 1, Section 405.6.E. at 4:32 P.M. for discussion of personnel matters; second from Selectman Packard. 5 approve/0 oppose

Motion was made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to exit executive session at 5:30 P.M.; second from Selectman Lone. 5 approve/0 oppose

4. Action Items Following Executive Session

There were no action items following executive session.

5. Approval of Minutes

a. June 25, 2019

b. July 1, 2019

Motion was made by Selectman Packard for approval of the minutes from the June 25, 2019 and July 1, 2019 Board Meeting; second from Selectman Murphy. 5 approve/0 oppose

6. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

Bob McHatton Sr. Inquired about the last CDD applicant hiring status. The Board responded that the applicant was not the best fit for the position and that the Town is continuing the search for the right candidate. Bob McHatton Sr. asked if the Town is still wanting to fill that position. Chairman Eastman responded the Town is still looking for the best candidate possible for the position. Ursula Flaherty expressed concern that the CDD position is still not filled. Discussion ensued.

Glenn Peterson stated he was approached by the Efficiency Maine for use of his property to install a Fast Charging Station. Mr. Peterson wanted to know how the Board felt about a charging station. Discussion ensued.

Deb Brusini made a suggestion that, going forth with future CDD potential new hires, that there is a public meeting and discussion is not held in an Executive Session.

7. Committee Reports

Representing the Ordinance Review Committee, Deb Brusini, reported that the Committee has a new member, Samantha Zawistowski.

Deb Brusini explained the current term schedule for members and asked to work with Town Manager Peabody to change the appointment section to be less staggered due to the smaller number of members. Discussion ensued. The Board directed the Committee to work with the Town Manager on a new suggested term schedule and bring their recommendation back to the Board for consideration.

Deb Brusini also requested to have the Affordable Housing Preference Ordinance on the November Warrant. No changes will be made, and the Ordinance Review Committee would like the opportunity to better educate the community. Discussion ensued. Chairman Eastman agreed if there were no changes made it could go to the November Warrant.

Representing the Community Development Committee, Bob McHatton announced that the meeting on Wednesday July 10, 2019 at 8 a.m. is open to public and there will be discussion on a Medical Marijuana Ordinance.

8. Correspondence, Presentations and Other Pertinent Information

There was no correspondence or other pertinent information.

9. New Business

a. Awards and Other Administrative Recommendations

There were no awards or other administrative recommendation.

b. Permits/Documents Requiring Board Approval

1. FY 2019 Carry Forward Requests

Chairman Lone questioned the \$7000.00 for the Depot St. Green. Discussion ensued between the Board and Public Works Director Jim Kidder. Vice-Chairman Zaidman requested to have Town Manager Peabody research the cost of installing proper irrigation in this area of Depot Street. **Motion** was made Vice-Chairman Zaidman to approve the 2019 Carry forward requests as submitted; second from Selectman Packard. 5 approve/ 0 oppose

2. Town Manager Confirmation of David Madsen as Wastewater Superintendent.

David Madsen stood up to give a brief introduction, stated his first day would be August 12, 2019. **Motion** was made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to confirm David Madsen to the position of Wastewater Superintendent; second from Selectman Packard. 5 approve/ 0 oppose

3. 2019/2020 Tax Commitment

Representing John E. O'Donnell & Associates Inc., Denis Berube presented the Tax Calculation Worksheet for the Municipal Tax Assessment Warrant. **Motion** was made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to sign, as the Bridgton Board of Assessors, the Assessors' Certificate of Commitment; second from Selectman Packard. 5 approve/ 0 oppose

4. Victualer's License to Highland Lake Resort Café

Motion made by Selectman Murphy to approve a Victualer's License for Highland Lake Resort Café; second from Selectman Packard. 5 approve/ 0 oppose

c. Selectmen's Concerns

- **Selectman Packard** had no concerns.
- **Selectman Murphy** suggested at Woods Pond swimming area the Town look into making off road parking available in the wood lot right of the bath house. Public Works Director Jim Kidder address the Board stating the lot was not Town owned.
- **Vice-Chairman Zaidman** had no concerns.
- **Selectman Lone** had no concerns.
- **Chairman Eastman** had no concerns.

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

DEPUTY TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT; July 9, 2019

Pro Point Restoration has completed its work on the granite base portion of the monument. Scaffolding has been put in place in anticipation of Anthony Tafuri, a Bridgton Resident, of Tafuri Studios, to begin restoration on the bronze sculpture portion of the monument next week. The Civil War Monument was presented by Henry B. and Nathan Cleaves and erected in 1910 with a dedication on July 21, 1910 recognizing Bridgton's Sons who Defended the Union in 1861-1865. It stands tall as a focal point at the head of Main Hill.

The Town is currently accepting applications for work in the Town's parks, cemeteries and transfer station. This is a full-time seasonal position with some weekends required. *ALSO* - we continue to accept applications for a seasonal full-time maintenance position at Salmon Point Campground with the potential to become Manager for 2020 and beyond. *ALSO* - there is an immediate opening for a full-time (40 hour per week- 4 ten hour days with 3 days off) police officer. *ALSO* - we are accepting applications for a Full-Time Year-Round Recreation Programmer. Applications are available on the Town of Bridgton website at www.bridgtonmaine.org

Recreation

July 12-14 - Bridgton will host the 2019 Maine Babe Ruth State Softball Tournament for 8 & under, 10 & under and 12 & under age brackets. 17 softball teams from across the state will play in a double elimination tournament. The winners of each bracket will have an automatic bid to the World Series in Florida later this month. On July 14, 2019 Jr Harmon Ball Field will host all three level championship games. Before the U12 championship game there will be a short re-dedication ceremony to recognize the completion of the Jr Harmon Ball Field renovations as well as recognize Jr Harmon for the years he spent on the field as a coach, and as a volunteer that prepped the field for the local baseball league for years. Around 4:45p.m. the family will be presented with the original "Jr Harmon Field" sign to keep as a memento to Junior and one of the family members will throw out the first pitch before the 12 & under championship game begins. Special thanks to the Bridgton Public Works Department, Jeff Frye, Eric Wisseman of M&S Builders, Main Line Fence and everyone else who worked endlessly and tirelessly to assure the field was ready for this coming weekend. Come on down...join us for a great championship game and food from the newly renovated snack shack...the more people the better!

General

I would like to welcome Miranda Hinkley to our office staff. Miranda comes to Bridgton from the Town of Mechanic Falls and will be taking on the position of Finance/Wastewater Clerk. We look forward to working with her and having her as part of our office team.

The Transfer Station will be closed on Thursday, July 25, 2019 for routine maintenance. Their regular hours of operation are Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday 7:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.

Police Department

On Monday, July 15th at the Augusta Civic Center there will be an Opioid Summit to bring people together to discuss the many challenges of those with substance use disorders and those in recovery along with the opportunities that exist as they move forward. Numerous break-out sessions will be held during the day one of which will be hosted by Chief Rick Stillman and Dani Mooney, Director at the Lakes Region Substance Awareness Coalition.

And don't forget the Zerbini Family Circus is coming to Town on Sunday, July 21 with shows at 3:00p.m. and 5:00p.m. and Monday July 22nd with a show at 6:00p.m. They will be set up at Stevens Brook Elementary School, 14 Frances Bell Drive. This is sponsored by The Bridgton Recreation Department with 20% of all gate fees as a fundraiser going to the Bridgton Summer Rec program. Kids 12 and under are free and ticket prices for adults is \$15.00.

Respectfully submitted,
Georgiann M. Fleck, Deputy Town Manager"

10. Old Business (*Board of Selectmen Discussion Only*)

a. Wastewater Status Update

Deputy Town Manager Fleck informed the Board that this week, the engineers will be performing test borings in the roadways for the proposed lines in connection with the Wastewater Treatment facility/Sewer System Expansion Project. They are performing shallow borings, up to 15 feet in depth in 50 locations throughout Bridgton. On Wednesday and Thursday, they are Scheduled to be on Maine street and Portland Road/Route 302. The Bridgton Fire Department is providing safety detail for this work.

b. Streetscape: Upper and Lower Main Street Status Update

Deputy Town Manager Fleck informed the Board work is scheduled to begin on Tuesday September 3rd. J Pratt Construction will be in Bridgton the week prior to begin mobilization of equipment for prompt start immediately after the Labor Day holiday.

11. Treasurer's Warrants

Motion was made by Selectman Packard for approval of Treasurer's Warrants numbered 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122 and 123; second from Vice-Chairman Zaidman. 5 approve/ 0 oppose

12. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

Deb Brusini announced a Planning Board Special meeting on July 18th, 2019 is open to the public and encouraged public attendance.

Glenn Peterson announced he will be holding a cannabis classes in the near future and invites the Board to attend.

13. Dates for the Next Board of Selectmen's Meetings

July 11, 2019 (Board Training).
July 16, 2019 Workshop (Parking Ordinance).
July 23, 2019
August 13, 2019

14. Adjourn

Chairman Eastman adjourned the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Samantha Eichel
Deputy Town Clerk