

Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2020; 5:00 P.M.

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

Administration Present: Town Manager Robert Peabody; Deputy Town Manager Georgiann Fleck; Deputy Town Clerk Suzzanah Forsythe; Community Development Director Linda LaCroix; Code Enforcement Officer Brenda Day

1. Call to Order

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

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board recited the "Pledge of Allegiance."

3. Approval of Minutes

a. January 14, 2020

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman for approval of the minutes from the January 14, 2020 Selectman Minutes; second from Selectman Murphy. 5 approve/0 oppose

4. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

Jeff Stern, Kelly Margolis and Carole Ayer gave a presentation to the Board about the Woods Pond Water Quality Association and asked the Board to consider the application when it comes to town funds regarding outside agencies.

5. Committee Reports

None at this time.

6. Correspondence, Presentations and Other Pertinent Information

a. Bridgton Farmer's Market 2020

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to grant permission to the Bridgton Farmers Market to use Sections A, A1, B, and B1 with the condition they will help with seeding the area at the end of the season; second by Selectman Packard. 5 approve/0 oppose

b. Ordinance Review Committee Application from Mary Tworog

Motion made by Selectman Lone to appoint Mary Tworog to the Ordinance Review Committee; second by Vice Chairman Zaidman. 5 approve/0 oppose

c. Community Development Committee Member Application from Kevin Raday

Motion made by Vice Chairman Zaidman to appoint Kevin Raday to the Community Development Committee; second by Selectman Packard. 5 approve/0 oppose

7. New Business

a. Awards and Other Administrative Recommendations

1. Review of Proposed Ordinance Amendments from Ordinance Review Committee

Samantha Zawistowski informed the Board of why they made the suggested amendment changes to the ordinances.

a. Consumer Fireworks Ordinance

Vice-Chairman Zaidman had questions on the suggest amendments; discussion ensued. It was determined by the Board to have a Workshop at a latter date to further review the suggested changes.

b. Ordinance to Control Disorderly Housing

Discussion ensued; Board would like the Community Development Director Linda LaCroix to look over the ordinance then do a workshop; have Linda take a look over once more then will send it to legal.

c. Ordinance Controlling Nudity in Commercial or Business

Discussion ensued; was not sure if this ordinance should be here and directed Deputy Town Manager Fleck to check MMA and forward her findings to the committee.

b. Permits/Documents Requiring Board Approval

1. Certificate of Commitment of Sewer User Rates Commitment #235

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to commit the September 1, 2019 to November 30, 2019 Sewer User Rate Commitment #235 comprising 2 pages totaling \$2,629.71 to the Treasurer for collection; second by Selectman Murphy. 5 approve/ 0 oppose

2. Tax Abatement

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to approve the recommended January 28,2020 tax abatement totaling \$431.12; second by Selectman Packard. 5 approve/ 0 oppose

c. Selectmen's Concerns

- **Selectman Packard** asked what the progress was on the Bid on the tax acquired property on 302; Town Manager Peabody responds that it is open until Friday January 31, 2020.
- **Selectman Murphy** asked if we have any jurisdiction over the United Ambulance; Town Manager Peabody replies that we have a contract with until June of 2021.
- **Selectman Lone** has none at this time.
- **Vice-Chairman Zaidman** asked for the Town to take over the Economic Committee web site page as we now have a Community Development Director as phone numbers for the people on there are not updated. Linda responds that she is in touch with them. Zaidman asks the Town Manager to get a hold of the committee to talk about expectations the Town has talking to new business wanting to come into Bridgton.
- **Chairman Eastman** adds to Vice-Chairman Zaidman concern that he had background with the committee and the Board had a lot of pressure to hire a new Community Development Director however, finding the right candidate took time. Now we have one and he would like to see the public be directed to Linda but still wants to keep the committee as they are a separate entity with a lot of institutional knowledge.
- **Vice-Chairman Zaidman** reports that the Wastewater committee per there committee charge are no longer a working committee and thanks the committee for all their hard work and asks the town to send out Thank you letters to the committee members. **Motion** made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to dissolve the Wastewater Committee; second by Selectman Murphy. 5 approve/ 0 oppose

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

TOWN OF BRIDGTON
DEPUTY TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT
January 28, 2020

Bridgton Fire Department

The Department has taken a very aggressive stance on **shoveling the fire hydrants** post storms. The **air vac-911** system parts will be delivered the second week of February, work should have begun soon after delivery in all stations. The new air boat hull was delivered, we will begin the change over in a few weeks. The Department is beginning their 2020 Department of Labor compliance training. The Department has three members in extensive training classes in Oxford and the Presumpscot Portland area class.

General

This is the last week to **license your dog** before the applicable late fee of \$25.00 per dog is applied (after January 31st). Town employees will be on site this coming Thursday the 30th at the Bridgton Community Center, 16 Depot Street, to cook a scrumptious spaghetti dinner with desert for the **Community Kettle Dinner**. Dinner will be served at 5:00p.m., all are welcome, it is FREE (however donations are graciously accepted). Transportation is available in the Bridgton area, just call 647-3116 in advance to make arrangements.

Job Opportunities

The Bridgton Recreation Department is beginning the process of hiring summer staff with openings for lifeguards, water safety instructors and youth development professionals for summer and teen summer rec. 4 of 5 past employees will be returning with the 5th employee who worked for the town having graduated from college and now a full-time teacher. For information on these positions please contact Gary Colello, Recreation Director at 207-647-1126 or refer to our website at www.bridgtonmaine.org

Bridgton Community Development

Linda LaCroix, Community Development Director, reports that Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications are due on Wednesday the 29th. For consideration the Town is submitting two projects; an extension of the sidewalk on Oak Street at Harmon Field and the development of a small "pocket" park on "East" Main Street.

Bridgton Recreation

Why We Love **Summer Camp Video Contest**. Bridgton is competing against Saco, Lewiston, Bangor, Kennebunk, & Scarborough for Summer Camp Video of the Year. Bridgton Rec needs your vote to win!!! Please scan the QR Code to vote or visit www.merpa.org to cast your vote. You need to vote by February 15th. So please hurry and cast your vote today! **"Pack the House Night"** Lake Region Youth Basketball Night...boys are scheduled for Thursday, January

30th at 7:00p.m.; Girls are scheduled for Tuesday, February 4th at 7:00p.m. and Little Dribblers are scheduled for Thursday, February 6th at 5:30p.m. Wear your Rec Lakers Jersey and get in for FREE! For this and more contact Gary Colello, Recreation Director, 647-1126 or refer to the Town of Bridgton's web site at www.bridgtonmaine.org.

Winter Carnival

The annual winter carnival is scheduled for Saturday, February 15th. Festivities begin with a junior fishing derby on the lake at 9a.m., followed by horse drawn wagon rides, the Frozen 5 Race, ice bar (button required for 21 years and older) and the much anticipated "Freezin for a Reason" polar dip at 1:00p.m. with the grand finale...fireworks on the lake at 6:00p.m. Family events at the Town Hall begin with juggling at 11a.m., followed by a magician, and a free throw shooting contest. The Ice Rink is open 9:00a.m. to 8:00p.m. with open gym in the Town Hall from 5:30p.m. to 8:00p.m. For more

information, please call the Chamber office at 207-647-3472 or refer to their website at mainelakeswintercarnival.com. I would like to extend my appreciation to the Public Works employees who prepare the area for this event every year so you can enjoy the many activities this event has to offer. Also to the Bridgton Police and Fire Departments, who are on hand throughout the day, as well as the Rec Department for coordinating family-friendly events at the Town Hall. Bridgton Town employees will also be selling Love Always Bridgton merchandise from 10a.m. to 4p.m.

REMINDERS

- ❖ From November 15 - April 14 no vehicle shall be parked on the public street or way from 11:00p.m. to 7:00a.m. per the Bridgton Traffic Ordinance.
- ❖ As per MRS 17A Section 505 and MRS 29A Section 2396, no person(s) shall plow, shovel or otherwise deposit snow into the limits of any traveled public way.
- ❖ It is important to keep your driveways and private roads cleared and sanded so that, if the need arises, emergency personnel can safely access your property.
- ❖ Regarding weather events, please be aware that we post information on the Town's Facebook page, the Town's website and all the local television channels are notified if and when the Town Office is closed.

Respectfully submitted,
Georgiann M. Fleck
Deputy Town Manager

8. Old Business

a. * 98 Highland Road

Justin McIver from MEH and the septic engineer updated the board about the situation with the leach field that was installed on town property. They informed the board that the current placement of the leach field is the only and best placement. Discussion ensued.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to grant and easement for 98 Highland Road with the consideration of \$2500.00; second by Selectman Packard. 5 approve/0 oppose

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to impend a \$500.00 fine for not having the permit in hand before starting construction; second by Selectman Packard. 3 approve/ 2 oppose *Chairman Eastman and Selectman Lone*

b. Wastewater Status Update

Town Manager Peabody provided a brief update on the status of the Wastewater project.

c. Streetscape: Upper and Lower Main Street Status Update

Town Manager Peabody provided a brief update on the status of the Upper and Lower Main Street Streetscape projects. Information is available on the Town Website and on the Town Facebook Page.

9. Treasurer's Warrants

Motion was made by Selectman Lone for approval of Treasurer's Warrants numbered 83, 84, 85, and 86; second from Selectman Murphy. 5 approve/0 oppose

10. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

Kenneth Gibbs from the Planning Board informed the Board know they have had good experience with the legal team they have currently.

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

February 11, 2020

February 25, 2020

12. Adjourn

Chairman Eastman adjourned the meeting at 7:02 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzzanah Forsythe
Deputy Town Clerk