

Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
February 11, 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; Town Clerk Laurie Chadbourne, Community Development Director Linda LaCroix

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 28, 2020

b. February 4, 2020

Motion was made by Selectman Packard for approval of the minutes from the January 28, 2020 and the February 4, 2020 Board Meeting; second from Selectman Murphy. 5 approve/0 oppose

4. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

There were no public comments on non-agenda items.

5. Committee Reports

Representing the Community Development Committee, Robert J. McHatton, Sr. reported that there will be a public forum at 10:00 AM tomorrow (2/12/2020) to review CDBG fund applications. He added that the committee now has someone to record and prepare meeting minutes.

Deb Brusini asked the Board if they have scheduled a workshop to meet with the Ordinance Review Committee to which Chairman Eastman responded that a date has not been set yet. Ms. Brusini will check back in with the Board in April.

6. Correspondence, Presentations and Other Pertinent Information

a. Resignation of Douglas Oakley as Alternate Member of the Planning Board

Motion was made by Selectman Lone to approve the resignation of Douglas Oakley as an Alternate Member of the Planning Board; second from Selectman Murphy. 5 approve/0 oppose Town Manager Peabody will send a letter to Mr. Oakley.

b. Ordinance Review Committee Application from Glen Garland

Glen Garland present and has submitted

Motion was made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to appoint Glen Garland to the Ordinance Review Committee; second from Selectman Packard. 5 approve/0 oppose

c. ~~271~~ 267 Main Street (Structural Engineers Report)

The structural integrity report has been provided by Maine Eco Homes for property situated at 267 Main Street. **Motion** was made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to accept the structural engineer report and withdraw the dangerous building designation if the loose gutters and other loose pieces of trim are removed by February 25, 2020 and inspected with approval by the Code Enforcement Officer; second from Selectman Murphy. 5 approve/0 oppose

7. New Business

a. Awards and Other Administrative Recommendations

1. Discussion of Disposition of the First and Last Resort

Vice-Chairman Zaidman recommended that the Board authorize the Town Manager to put the property up for auction (minimum bid amount to include any and all expenses) with the stipulation that the building be down by May 1, 2020. Consensus of the Board was to support this recommendation.

2. Request from Public Services Director to Increase Transfer Station Fees

Public Services Director David Madsen recommended an amendment to the current fee schedule at the Transfer Station. He requested adding a \$1.50 per tire handling fee and charging \$10 per yard for compost with a \$5 minimum payment. **Motion** was made by Vice-Chairman Zaidman to approve the charge of \$10 per yard for compost with a minimum payment of \$5; second from Selectman Packard. 5 approve/0 oppose The Board will review the tire fees later.

b. Permits/Documents Requiring Board Approval

There were no permits or documents requiring Board approval.

c. Selectmen's Concerns

- **Selectman Packard** had no concerns.
- **Selectman Murphy** had no concerns.
- **Vice-Chairman Zaidman** had no concerns.
- **Selectman Lone** reported that representatives from LIHEAP will be at the Community Center on March 4th to accept heating fuel applications. Applications will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. For more information, please contact the Community Center at 207-647-3116.
- **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
02/11/20

General

An important reminder that with winter weather upon us, 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 and the Town's website. Additionally, all the local television channels are notified when the Town Office closes.

Personnel

The Public Services Department is hiring two positions: one in Parks and Cemeteries and the other in the Highway Department. More information, including full job descriptions and employment application are available on the Town website.

The Recreation Department is hiring seasonal employees for the summer programs. Applications are being accepted for 9 lifeguard positions, 4 water safety instructors and 8 youth development professionals. Applicants must be at least 16 years old. Contact Gary Colello, Recreation Director, for more information.

Recreation

The Recreation Department announces that registrations are being accepted for the Spring and Summer Programs. Registration may be made on the Town's website.

Join Harrison and Bridgton Recreation Departments on a trip to Fenway Park to watch the Red Sox take on the Texas Rangers on Saturday May 2nd. To sign up please contact Kayla Laird at klaird@harrisonmaine.org or Gary Colello at gcolello@bridgtonmaine.org.

Winter Carnival is February 15th at Highland Lake Beach. There will be Horse Drawn Wagon Rides, a Frozen 5 Race, "Freezin for a Reason" Polar Dip to benefit Harvest Hills Animal Shelter, Ice Bar and fireworks on the Lake. For Town sponsored activities, the Town Ice Rink will be open 9am to 8pm; at the Town Hall there will be a juggling at 11am, games and art projects from 12:45pm to 1:45pm, a magician at 2pm, Free Throw Contest sponsored by the Knights of Columbus from 3pm to 5:30pm and open gym from 5:30pm to 8pm.

Public Services Department

New Transfer Station stickers are available at the Town Office and Transfer Station. They expire on December 31st. The cost is \$10 for a two-year sticker. A sticker is required to dispose of trash and recycling. Staff will be checking for stickers.

Reminder to the public, that from November 15th – April 14th no vehicle shall be parked on the public street or way from 11:00p.m. to 7:00a.m. per the Bridgton Traffic Ordinance. Also, as per MRSA 17A Section 505 and MRSA 29A Section 2396, no person(s) shall plow, shovel or otherwise deposit snow into the limits of any traveled public way.

Fire Department

The two 12' doors at Central Station have been replaced and the two 10' doors are on order.

The Chief and members attended recent training on gas/odor/alarm responses and a presentation by the Department of Labor concerning the two recent Maine firefighter's deaths.

The Department will be assisting with Winter Carnival helping with the warming tents, filling hot tubs and water rescue stand-by.

Financials

Before you tonight are the December financials and the Revenue and Expenditure Summary Report. As you will note, the benchmark is 50% for the month. Revenues are at 67.1% and Expenditures at 51.1%.

8. Old Business

a. Wastewater Status Update

Town Manager Peabody provided a brief update of the wastewater status.

b. Streetscape: Upper and Lower Main Street Status Update

Town Manager Peabody provided a brief update of the upper and lower Main Street status.

9. Treasurer's Warrants

Motion was made by Selectman Lone for approval of Treasurer's Warrants numbered 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92 and 93; second from Vice-Chairman Zaidman. 5 approve/0 oppose

10. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

Richard William Lee, property owner on Hidden Hollow Road, voiced concerns regarding a fine to which the Board directed this issue to the March 10th meeting.

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

February 25, 2020

March 10, 2020

12. Adjourn

Chairman Eastman adjourned the meeting at 5:41 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Laurie L. Chadbourne
Town Clerk