

Select Board Meeting Minutes September 27, 2022; 5:00 P.M.

Board Members Present: Carmen E. Lone, Chair; Robert J. McHatton, Sr., Vice-Chair; Paul A. Tworog; Kenneth J. Murphy; G. Frederick Packard

Administration Present: Town Manager Robert A. Peabody, Jr, Deputy Town Manager Georgiann Fleck; Town Clerk Laurie Chadbourne; Community Development Director Victoria Hill; Recreation Director Gary Colello; Executive Assistant Nikki Hodgkins; Fire Chief Glen Garland; Emergency Management Director Todd Perreault

1. Call to Order

Chair Lone called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board recited the “Pledge of Allegiance.”

3. 4:00 P.M. Executive Session Per MRS Title 1, Section 405.6.E.: Legal Matters

Motion was made by Chair Lone to enter executive session at 4:00 P.M. per MRS Title 1, Section 405.6.E for discussion of legal matters pertaining to property located on Tax Map 25, Lot 4 (Smoak property) and property located on Tax Map 8, Lot 36D (Tucker property); second from Vice-Chair McHatton. 4 approve/0 oppose (Selectman Packard was not present for executive session.) **Motion** was made by Vice-Chair McHatton to exit executive session at 5:45 P.M.; second from Selectman Murphy. 3 approve/0 oppose (Selectman Tworog was absent during the vote.)

Selectman Packard joined the meeting.

4. Action Items Following Executive Session

There were no action items following executive session.

5. Approval of Minutes

a. September 13, 2022

Motion was made by Selectman Packard for approval of the minutes from the September 13, 2022 Board Meeting; second from Selectman Murphy. 5 approve/0 oppose

6. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

Pam Ward thanked the Board for believing in Bridgton and for all their support with the Harvest Moon Festival. The event was well attended and they would like to do this again next year. The Board commended Ms. Ward, the Committee and Volunteers for a successful event.

7. Committee/Liaison Reports

There were no committee/liaison reports.

8. Correspondence, Presentations and Other Pertinent Information

There were no correspondence, presentations, or other pertinent information.

Chair Lone brought agenda item 11 forward.

11. New Business

a. Awards and Other Administrative Recommendations

1. Acceptance of \$500 from the Ed Rock Community Spirit Fund of the Maine Community Foundation

Motion was made by Selectman Tworog to accept the \$500 donation from the Ed Rock Community Spirit Fund and to allocate the donation to the Town of Bridgton Summer Recreation Program; second from Selectman Murphy. 5 approve/0 oppose

2. Request from Emergency Management Director Perreault to Set a Date for a Workgroup Session

The Board set a workshop date for Monday, October 17, 2022 at 4:30 P.M. with Emergency Management.

3. Bridgton Memorial School Ad Hoc Committee

Town Manager Peabody provided the Board with a proposed Bridgton Memorial School Ad Hoc Committee Charge, Mission, and Authority. **Motion** was made by Selectman Tworog to approve the Town of Bridgton: Bridgton Memorial School Ad Hoc Committee Charge, Mission, and Authority with a seven-member (three from the public) Committee; second from Selectman Murphy. 5 approve/0 oppose

b. Permits/Documents Requiring Board Approval

1. Victualer's License to Mainly Melts (257 Main Street)

Motion was made by Vice-Chair McHatton to approve a Victualer's License to Mainly Melts; second from Selectman Packard. 5 approve/0 oppose

2. Victualer's License to Depot Street Tap House (18B Depot Street)

Motion was made by Vice-Chair McHatton to approve a Victualer's License to Depot Street Tap House; second from Selectman Tworog. 5 approve/0 oppose

Chair Lone brought agenda item 11.b4. forward.

4. New Road Name: Progress Way (Map 10, Lot 10B)

Motion was made by Vice-Chair McHatton to approve the new road name, Progress Way, for the private road sited on Map 10, Lot 10B; second from Selectman Tworog. 5 approve/0 oppose

5. New Road Name: Sighting Way (Map 15, Lot 35A and 35C)

Motion was made by Vice-Chairman McHatton to approve the road name, Sighting Way, for the private road sited on Map 15, Lot 35A and 35C; second from Selectman Murphy. 5 approve/0 oppose

Chair Lone returned to agenda item 11.b.3.

3. Certificate of Commitment of Sewer User Rates Commitment #267

Motion was made by Vice-Chair McHatton to commit the June 1, 2022 to August 31, 2022 Sewer User Rate Commitment #267 comprising three pages totaling \$16,103.93 to the Treasurer for collection; second from Selectman Packard. 5 approve/0 oppose

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

Deputy Town Manager Fleck read the following report into the record:

"DEPUTY TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

September 27, 2022

General

The **Revenue and Expenditure Report** for the month of **July 2022** shows a benchmark of 8.33% with revenues at 5.17% and expenditures at 7.49%.

The **Revenue and Expenditure Report** for the month of **August 2022** shows a benchmark of 16.67% with revenues at 14.48% and expenditures at 15.18%

The **Audit** began today.

Bridgton Recreation

The **Zombie Halloween Walk** returns this year for two weekends. The first weekend will be October 21st and 22nd and the second weekend will be October 28th and 29th at the Town Hall/Ice Rink. We are looking for volunteers. Please reach out to Gary Colello, Director of Recreation at 207-647-1126 or rec@bridgtonmaine.org if you would like to volunteer. **Festival of Lights** is scheduled for Saturday, December 3rd. **Adult trips include: The Magic of Christmas** on December 10th. Bus leaves from the Bridgton Town Hall at 12:15p.m. Tickets are \$45.00; **Fryeburg Fair** on October 4th. Bus leaves the Bridgton Town Hall at 9:15a.m. **Family trips include: Disney on Ice** scheduled for December 17th begins with a pizza party and disney trivia at 3:30p.m. at the Bridgton Town Hall and bus departs at 4:30p.m. Tickets are \$20.00 per person. Pre-registration is required for the trips.

Please visit www.bridgtonmaine.org for a full listing of available activities and registration.

Bridgton Police Department

Officer McCloud and Johnson attended **Advanced Roadside Interdiction** training which will help with the investigation of OUI drugs. Public Services Administrative Assistant (“PSSA”) Grace Gendron and Finance Director Holly Heymann worked together to complete our application for **Highway Safety Grants** which will fund overtime for distracted driving enforcement. Officer Chaine and Chief Jones attended a **Wreaths Across America** summit on September 19th and 20th. PSAA Gendron was selected for the **Cumberland County Leadership Academy**. On Wednesday, September 21st the Police Department with the assistance of the Maine State Police Tactical team executed a search warrant at **44 South High Street** as a result of an ongoing investigation into criminal activity including illegal drug trafficking. The investigation is on-going at this time.

Code Enforcement

Year to date the Code Enforcement Office has issued 458 permits, a combination of building and plumbing.

Until next time....be safe and be well

Respectfully submitted,

Georgiann M. Fleck, Deputy Town Manager”

12. Old Business

a. Wastewater Status Update

Town Manager Peabody provided a brief wastewater status update.

Chair Lone returned to agenda item 9 at 5:30 P.M.

9. 5:30 Public Hearing

a. An application from Ovide’s Used Cars for renewal of an Automobile - Graveyard/Junkyard permit to be issued for October 2022 until October 2023 at 730 Portland Road

Chair Lone opened the public hearing at 5:30 P.M. to accept written and oral comments on an application from Ovide’s Used Cars for renewal of an Automobile-Graveyard/Junkyard permit. Owner Ovide Corbeil was present. There were no public comments. Chair Lone closed the hearing at 5:31 P.M.

b. An application from Tarry-A-While Resort, Inc for a Special Amusement Permit (live music) at 17 Tarry-A-While Road)

Chair Lone opened the public hearing at 5:32 P.M. to accept written and oral comments on an application from Tarry-A-While Resort, Inc. for a Special Amusement Permit. Owners Dan and Roseana Richards were present. There were no public comments. Chair Lone closed the hearing at 5:32 P.M.

c. An application from Mainly Melts for a new liquor license at 257 Main Street, Unit 2

Chair Lone opened the public hearing at 5:32 P.M. to accept written and oral comments on an application from Mainly Melts for a new liquor license at 257 Main Street, Unit 2. Owners Steve and Amanda Dullinger were present. There were no public comments. Chair Lone closed the hearing at 5:32 P.M.

d. The adoption of the local General Assistance Ordinance and Yearly Appendices A-G which shall be in effect from October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023

Chair Lone opened the public hearing at 5:32 P.M. to accept written and oral comments on the adoption of the local General Assistance Ordinance and Yearly Appendices A-G. There were no public comments. Chair Lone closed the hearing at 5:33 P.M.

10. Action Items Following Public Hearing

a. An application from Ovide's Used Cars for renewal of an Automobile - Graveyard/Junkyard permit to be issued for October 2022 until October 2023 at 730 Portland Road

Motion was made by Vice-Chair McHatton to approve the renewal of an Automobile-Graveyard/Junkyard permit from Ovide's Used Cars; second from Selectman Packard. 5 approve/0 oppose

b. An application from Tarry-A-While Resort, Inc for a Special Amusement Permit (live music) at 17 Tarry-A-While Road)

Motion was made by Vice-Chair McHatton to approve a Special Amusement Permit to Tarry-A-While Resort, Inc.; second from Selectman Murphy. 5 approve/0 oppose

c. An application from Mainly Melts for a new liquor license at 257 Main Street, Unit 2

Motion was made by Vice-Chair McHatton to approve a new liquor license to Mainly Melts; second from Selectman Murphy. Owners Steve and Amanda Dullinger introduced themselves noting that have been living in Bridgton since 2007, opened a mobile food truck in 2020 and are pleased to be opening a restaurant in their home town around the end of October. 5 approve/0 oppose

d. The adoption of the local General Assistance Ordinance and Yearly Appendices A-G which shall be in effect from October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023

Motion was made by Vice-Chair McHatton to approve the adoption of the local General Assistance Ordinance and Yearly Appendices A-G which shall be in effect from October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023; second from Selectman Tworog. 5 approve/0 oppose

Chair Lone returned to agenda item 11.c.

11. New Business

c. Selectmen's Concerns

- **Vice-Chair McHatton** had no concerns.
- **Selectman Tworog** reported that the Town of Gorham has had pay per bag for a number of years and recently changed to a sticker system which allows residents to use their own trash bags; he suggested that the Board consider this option if pay per bag has passage in November.
- **Selectman Tworog** requested a copy of the revenue/expenditure report for year ending June 30, 2022 which Town Manager Peabody will follow up with the Finance Officer.
- **Selectman Murphy** reported that he shared safety concerns regarding Cornshop Brook with the Town Manager and the Public Services Director.
- **Selectman Packard** had no concerns.
- **Chair Lone** thanked everyone involved with the Harvest Moon Festival noting the large amount of time and effort that goes into planning events. The Board thanked Pam Ward for a job well done organizing the festival.

13. Treasurer's Warrants

Motion was made by Chair Lone to approve Treasurer's Warrants numbered 1025, 1026, 1027 and 1028; second from Vice-Chair McHatton. 5 approve/0 oppose

14. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

There were no public comments on non-agenda items.

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

October 11, 2022

October 17, 2022 at 4:30 P.M. (Meeting with Emergency Management)

October 25, 2022

November 8, 2022

16. Adjourn

Motion was made by Vice-Chair McHatton to adjourn the meeting at 5:41 P.M.; second from Selectman Murphy. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie L. Chadbourne
Town Clerk