

## Selectmen's Meeting August 2, 2022

Attendance: Kari Hunt, Penny Sampson, Dan McCormick, Tim Parker, Peggy Turner, Larry King, Denise Whitney, Charlie Schafer, Diane & Paul Jones, Phillip Nadeau, Brent Converse, Bob Kielty,

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Penny opened the meeting at 6:31pm.

Town Pump: The light bill is still high. Last year from February - June the town spent \$365.85 with CMP, this year from February - June we have spent \$1,358.78 with CMP. Need to compare Kwh usage for the past couple years. Maybe there is a leak? Phillip Nadeau is having Lowe Bassett come out and take a look. There appears to possibly be a leak. Discussion continued regarding the future, having a Plumber on call, town having a real estate attorney review deeds, the 1976 town meeting vote and an agreement should be signed between the users and the town. Penny read aloud the town attorney's opinion. Penny made a motion to have a real estate attorney review the deeds. Dan seconded the motion. Motion carried. Penny rescind her motion and made a motion to have the deeds go to a real estate attorney for review and get a memorandum of understanding written up for the usage and to protect the town legally. Dan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Penny thanked Phillip Nadeau, Dale Bishop, Zachary Babin and Carol Lichtenbaum their volunteerism cleaning 113 Windemere Ln.

### **Public Feedback:**

### **Minutes:**

Tabled until the next Select Board meeting

### **Administrative Assistant/Treasurer:**

- Warrants were reviewed and signed
- Selectmen reviewed the Bank Statements.
- As of 08/02 expenses accrued for the 113 Windemere is about \$12,000. This does not include the new taxes getting committed.
- Kari spoke with Tanner Grant, plumber, he can install the outside water spigot at the town office and will look at the water pump again.

- Kari requested permission to issue a check to the Waldo County Registry of Deeds to record the 2021 tax liens. Penny made the motion for Kari to issue a check for tax liens to the Waldo County Registry of Deeds. Tim seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

- The Select Board discussed an open house for 113 Windermere, for insurance liability reason no Open House will occur and only a picture of the outside of the camp will be posted online.

**New Business:**

- Anne, CEO received a complaint from Belfast Moosehead Railroad company regarding the Fire Pond behind the old Fire Department, their insurance company said it needs to be cleaned up and fence fixed or filled in. She was going to bring it up to Blaine as well.
- Penny made a motion to table Land Use discussion to the next meeting. Dan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- The town received a Workers Compensation dividend of \$1,107. In addition it was suggested that Unity look into the Workers Comp incentive program to help save on workers comp. The Select Board would like Kari to work on completing the application.
- The CMP pole permit was signed by the Select Board.
- Najean asked who was responsible if someone fell and got hurt while the Market of Unity was going on. The town is covered by the Maine Tort Law. Penny read a response from MMA legal. For full version of MMA legal, listen to recording. In short, no town building should be used for private use, unless it is voted on at the Town Meeting. Kari is going to contact the town insurance for more information.. Penny made a motion to continue with the status quo to give more time for research. Dan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Crystal, Penny and Denise are going to look at the back lots in Pond cemetery. The map is not helpful. The goal is to see how many sellable lots are available.
- Plan to budget cemetery name signs in next year's cemetery budget.
- Penny would like to get one more quote for the tree in Farwell. Tim is going to weed whack the Farwell bridge
- Policy and job description discussion will be tabled. Would like the Fire Chief input.
- Larry King submitted his resignation from the EDC. Penny made a motion to accept his resignation. Dan seconded the motion. 2 nay votes and 1 yea.
- The town is seeking volunteers for the EDC, Appeals and Budget Committee. The EMA position is still vacant.
- The roads are being worked on. Kari needs to contact Cindy to start work on Berry Rd, Mussey Rd and Town Farm. Need to look at and figure out what scope of work should be done on Quaker Hill Rd for next year.

- Penny made a motion to move into executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 6 D. Dan seconded the motion. Motion carried. Penny made a motion to exit executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 6 D. Penny made a motion to appoint Dave Huff as Deputy ACO and only act as Deputy ACO with the approval of the Selectmen through the Waldo County Community Center. Tim seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Other Business:**

Penny made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 pm. Dan seconded the motion. Motion carried.