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## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes @ The Levi Stewart Library's Jones Nutter Auditorium Wednesday, May 24, 2023 – 6 P.M.

**Item 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER - FLAG SALUTE.** Chairman Whitney called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM, followed by the pledge.

**A. Board Members present:** Jim Emerson, Alden Bolstridge, Dennis Carr, Chairman Roger Whitney. Absent - Tony Bennett.

**B. Employees Present:** Lois Jones.

**C. Residents Present:** Jackie Emerson.

**Item 2. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS.** None.

**Item 3. APPROVE MINUTES.**

**A. April 26, 2023.** Selectman Emerson made a motion and Selectman Bolstridge 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the minutes, as written. All in favor.

**Item 4. WARRANT AND PAYROLL DISCUSSIONS AND SIGNING.**

**A. Payroll Warrant #19, 21.** Selectman Bolstridge made a motion and Selectman Carr 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve warrants #19 and 21. All in favor.

**B. A/P Warrant#20, 22.** Selectman Bolstridge made a motion and Selectman Carr 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve warrant #20 and 22. All in favor.

**Item 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS.** None.

**Item 6. NEW BUSINESS.**

**A. Health Center Lease.** Selectman Emerson made a motion and Selectman Bolstridge 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the health center lease, without change from 2022. Chairman Whitney asked if it would be possible to move the day care to the community center as there is a vet that is interested in leasing the health center. It was commented that the space available at the community center may not be easily converted. Manager will discuss with Stacey. All in favor.

**B. Boy Scout Lot Lease.** Selectman Emerson made a motion and Selectman Bolstridge 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the lease and authorize Town Manager to sign the lease for the Boy Scout Lot lease. All in favor.

**C. Electrical Inspector.** Manager informed the Board that Jesse Caron resigned as electrical inspector. Manager reached out to the state inspector, Kern Butler, to determine the necessity of an electrical inspector. Mr. Butler stated that if the Town does not inspect 200AMP and less panels, and new construction, then no one is required to inspect, which could lead to hazardous conditions. He also stated he would be willing to be the appointed electrical inspector for the Town of Corinna, for \$100 per inspection. There was some hesitancy if he would be allowed, as he is also a state inspector. Manager stated that Mr. Butler commented that he could, in fact, do both. Chairman Whitney made a motion and Selectman Emerson 2<sup>nd</sup> to appoint Kern Butler as electrical inspector, with a \$100 per inspection fee for the inspector, \$0 for the Town. All in favor.

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## Item 7. OLD BUSINESS.

- A. Fire station update.** The State Fire Marshal's Office has approved the fire station plans and has issued the permit. The Invitation to Bid will be published in Bangor Daily On March 26<sup>th</sup>, and also on Construction Summary. June 9<sup>th</sup> has been set as the mandatory pre-bid meeting, on-site, at 9am. June 16<sup>th</sup> is the date that has been set for bids to be due in the Town office, at 2pm. Plans will be available to the contractor through Keith Whitaker, the engineer.

## Item 8. ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS.

### A. Correspondence:

- a. MCF quarterly statements.** Acknowledged.
- b. GFWC Newport Woman's Club request.** Chairman Whitney made a motion and Selectman Emerson 2<sup>nd</sup> to give \$100 from the contingency fund, to help fund the GFWC Newport Women's Club kindergarten kits. All in favor.
- c. US. DOT FAA.** Acknowledged.

### B. RSU#19 Warrants for signing. Signed.

## Item 9. SELECTMEN CONCERNS.

- A. Dennis-** Asked about garbage cans for the waterfront and cemeteries. Also commented that the Community Center has a low estimate for paving the half the parking lot for \$46,000, but there have been no funds set aside for this endeavor. It was commented maybe hot or cold patch would suffice for now. Informed the Board that the Chamber of Commerce's Valley of Trees will be held at our location this coming year. There was some discussion regarding cemetery equipment and where to store it. Suggestion was to purchase a bigger trailer, something with sides, to haul all the equipment and keep it stored at the Town Garage.

**B. Jim-** None.

**C. Tony-** Absent.

**D. Alden-** Commented that the residents that recently vacated Sugar Acres have moved to Winchester Avenue and have "set up camp" – a lot of vehicles, living in tents and campers.

**E. Roger-** Cemeteries need to be ready for Memorial Day. Also, there is a tree at Morse's Corner that is dead/dying that needs to be removed. If it falls, it will cause damage to fencing and headstones.

## Item 10. CORRESPONDENCE.

- A. Gloria MacKenzie Foundation Final Grant Application.** Manager informed the Board this is an invitation to complete the application for a grant for fire department equipment – the air paks that need replacing. Total value, if awarded is around \$125,000 to \$130,000.

**Item 11. ADJOURN MEETING.** Selectman Emerson made a motion and Selectman Bolstridge 2<sup>nd</sup> to adjourn the meeting. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois A. Jones  
Town Manager