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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes Through the Zoom application

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May 27, 2020 – 6 P.M.

Item 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER. Chairman Roger Whitney called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

A. Board Members present: Chairman Roger Whitney, Alden Bolstridge, Kerby Littlefield, Jim Emerson, Dennis Carr

B. Employees Present: Lois Jones

C. Residents Present: Laurie Clark, Jackie Emerson

Item 2. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS.

A. Item 4 B. – AP Warrants #20 & #22.

B. Item 9 A. – CMP Pole Permit Application.

C. Item 9 B. – Maine DOT RRFB Application.

D. Item 6 H. – Barb Peavey appointment to Planning Board.

Item 3. APPROVE MINUTES.

A. May 13, 2020. Chairman Whitney commented that Item 4 – Payroll Warrants, should be amended to read “to approve warrants” – not “to approve minutes”. Selectman Emerson made a motion and Selectman Bolstridge 2nd to approve minutes, as amended. All in favor.

Item 4. WARRANT AND PAYROLL DISCUSSIONS AND SIGNING.

A. Payroll Warrant #21. Selectman Emerson made a motion and Selectman Bolstridge 2nd to approve warrant. All in favor.

B. AP Warrant #20, #22. Selectman Emerson made a motion and Selectman Carr 2nd to approve warrants. All in favor.

Item 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS. None.

Item 6. NEW BUSINESS.

A. Fuel Bids. Selectman Littlefield made a motion and Selectman Bolstridge 2nd to accept and award the fuel bids to AE Robinson, as the lowest bidder. All in favor. (Bids attached to minutes.)

B. Planning Board Report for Food Sovereignty Ordinance. Chairman Laurie Clark reported that she had talked with Dan Davis, the gentleman that originally sent the inquiry and recommendation regarding the Food Sovereignty Ordinance. He did discuss his thoughts with Chairman Clark, but was unable to attend a Planning Board meeting. The Planning Board did some research and discovered that if a vegetable stand makes more than \$1,000 in produce, then they must be approved by the State’s health department. If the Town of Corinna passes a food ordinance, they need to have a safety inspector, etc. Some towns have what is called a “peddler’s” permit, which would need to be issued yearly, to farm stands that travel from another town. For example, a Corinna resident that wants to sell produce in Belfast or Millinocket must purchase a “peddler’s” permit. The Planning Board unanimously recommended that the Town of Corinna does not pursue passing a Food Sovereignty Ordinance. Chairman Whitney made a motion

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and Selectman Emerson 2nd to take no action on the Food Sovereignty Ordinance, based on the recommendation of the Planning Board. All in favor.

C. Health Center Lease. There was some discussion on the monthly fee of \$700, but agreed that with the COVID-19, etc, to not increase the monthly rent. Further discussion was in regards to the liability insurance. It was mentioned that when other people rent other facilities, or we do other business with contractors, we ask for \$1,000,000 in liability coverage. It was asked to increase the liability in the contract. Selectman Emerson made a motion and Selectman Littlefield 2nd to approve the Health Center Rental Contract with Stacy Allen, with the amendment of required liability to \$1,000,000. All in favor.

D. Paving. Town Manager has spoken with Public Works Supervisor, Steve Brown, regarding what roads are ready for paving and what work needs to be done to the roads that are not ready for paving. Town Manager had called a few paving companies regarding cost per ton of 12.5mm pavement and received quotes of mid-\$70s to \$80s. At this point, nothing can be set without knowing how much the Fernald Ave project is going to cost. No further discussion.

E. Fernald Ave project. Town Manager stated the engineer from Plymouth Engineering is having difficulties finalizing the plans because of the possibility of the “new” fire station. He has spoken with the fire chief, but had not had a chance to meet with PW supervisor. All agreed that a meeting with BOS, fire chief, PW supervisor, Town Manager, and the engineer, should be scheduled ASAP to discuss possibilities and complete the project.

(Selectman Emerson had to leave meeting for emergency.)

F. Community Center Appointments. Town Manager reported that the two alternates have had a change in their scheduling that will not allow enough time for them to be an effective part of the Committee. There are two other people willing to take their place, Dennis Carr and Darlene Bagley. Chairman Whitney made a motion and Selectman Bolstridge 2nd to appoint Dennis Carr and Darlene Bagley as alternates to the Community Center Committee. Three in favor. Selectman Carr abstained. Selectman Emerson was absent.

G. Community Center Heating. Town Manager updated Board of Selectmen on continued efforts regarding the automated heating system at the Community Center. AE Robinson has given a price quote for servicing the furnaces and water heater, in an effort to lower the cost of the contract from Siemens. Also spoke with Darryl Joudrey from Siemens to discuss the possibility of them alerting AE Robinson in the event of an issue. Joudrey stated that they have no way of knowing because there is no “front end” computer system. So, at this point, the committee needs to start making those final decisions on the building itself. Also, the Committee would like to sell the Pegasus and the Board agrees to sell the Pegasus.

H. Barbara Peavey Appointment to Planning Board. Selectman Bolstridge made a motion and Selectman Carr 2nd to appoint Barbara Peavey to the Planning Board. All in favor.

Item 7. OLD BUSINESS.

A. Stream Borings. Town Manager received a second quote for stream borings, which was much cheaper than the first quote. Town Manager feels this is an important part of the process for the grant applications, and completing the road repairs for Sunken Bridge Road and Line Road. Board agreed to go ahead with the borings.

B. New Truck – towing/warranty. Tabled until could be discussed at an in-person meeting.

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Item 8. SELECTMEN CONCERNS.

A. Dennis- None.

B. Jim- Absent.

C. Kerby- Mentioned that the flag in front of the Stewart Library Building is frayed and needs to be replaced.

D. Alden- 1. Has anyone met with the sewer district to discuss the in-town paving? Will the covers need risers? 2. Will the state replace the culverts on the St. Albans Road? 3. When is Dollar General going to start? Have they given a date? Yes, should be anytime. They have all their permits, etc. 4. Can we meet in person in June? Yes, that is the plan!!

E. Roger- Asked if the bond bank funds were in the bank yet and if so, are we paying interest on it? Yes, the funds are in the bank because the bond bank only issues checks twice a year – May and November.

Item 9. CORRESPONDENCE.

A. CMP Pole Permit. Chairman Whitney made a motion and Selectman Bolstridge 2nd to approve the CMP Pole Permit for the placement of a new pole on the Greenbush Road. Four in favor (Selectman Emerson absent.).

B. Maine DOT Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacons Application. There was some discussion if such a sign was necessary. It was suggested that maybe by the Dollar General next year, it would be beneficial. Town Manager will check into it and apply.

Item 10. ADJOURN MEETING. Selectman Bolstridge made a motion and Selectman Carr 2nd to adjourn the meeting. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois A. Jones
Town Manager