

MINUTES

**SELECT BOARD/ASSESSORS' MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2022
WILLIAM L. PULLEN MUNICIPAL BUILDING MEETING ROOM
ONLINE NON-INTERACTIVE ON TOWN HALL STREAMS
6:30 p.m.**

Select Board present: Jim Justice, Adam Fuller, Martha Johnston-Nash, and Wayne Kirkpatrick

Others present: Jay Feyler (Town Manager), Greg Grotton, John Gibbons, Erik Amundsen, Linda Waltz-Mountainland, Sarah Drickey, Annie Chapman, Ken Keiran, P. Jaine Jacobs, Heather Jackson, Gail Hawes, Abraham Knight, and others

- 1. Call Select Board Meeting to Order:** at 6:30 p.m. by Adam Fuller.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Public Comment:**

Jay welcomed new board member Wayne Kirkpatrick.

Erik Amundsen thanked Jay for the social media posting.

Linda Waltz-Mountainland introduced a lawyer-consulted petition regarding the TCC that she would like to get on the next agenda. The gist was updated costs for TCC ownership and a new complete engineering report done on the whole building, with an additional referendum election on whether to proceed with the project or not.

Discussion followed including 2018 vs. 2022 figures; some voters feeling five options were too many with the majority not wanting to keep the building; and two public votes on the building in the recent past with both coming out as people wanting to keep it.

Jay said now is the time to apply for heating assistance.

Jim reiterated that he had wanted the fifth selectperson elected in November.

- 4. Approve Minutes of Tuesday, June 7, 2022:**

Motion by: Martha Johnston-Nash
2nd by: Wayne Kirkpatrick
4-0

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Approve Minutes of Wednesday, June 22, 2022:

Motion by: Jim Justice
2nd by: Martha Johnston-Nash
4-0

5. Approve Treasurer's Warrants dated Tuesday, July 5, 2022:

Motion by: Wayne Kirkpatrick
2nd by: Jim Justice
4-0

6. Election of Officers, Chair, Vice-Chair:

Motion to elect Adam Fuller as Select Board Chair by: Jim Justice
2nd by: Wayne Kirkpatrick
3-0-1 abstention (Fuller)
Motion passes.

Motion to elect Jim Justice as Select Board Vice Chair by: Wayne Kirkpatrick
2nd by: Adam Fuller
2-1 opposed (Johnston-Nash) -1 abstention (Justice)
Motion passes.

7. Appointment of Budget Committee members John Shepard and P. Jaine Jacobs:

Motion to accept above by: Wayne Kirkpatrick
2nd by: Jim Justice
4-0

Martha brought up the importance of sticking to the original Statement of Interest form.

8. Appointment of Ambulance Advisory Members Ken Keiran and Tracy Weed:

Motion to accept above by: Wayne Kirkpatrick
2nd by: Jim Justice

Amended motion to add Heather Jackson to above, with Ken Keiran and Tracy Weed, by:
Wayne Kirkpatrick
2nd by: Jim Justice
4-0

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9. Vote on the representatives for MMA’s LPC Committee:

Jay said there are two candidates for two positions: himself and Richard Erb, Town Manager of St. George.

Motion to accept above by: Martha Johnston-Nash
2nd by: Wayne Kirkpatrick
4-0

10. Discussion of Lucas Device by Jesse Thompson:

Jesse introduced the Lucas machine he’d like buy, a CPR machine which is battery-operated and would free up responders on scene. Total cost is approximately \$21,000. Jesse noted he is not looking for a budget increase but rather to pull from the reserve account he has.

Motion to enter into a lease purchase agreement for this machine by: Wayne Kirkpatrick
2nd by: Jim Justice
4-0

11. Discussion on donation of laptops to the Vose Library:

Jay said the laptops the board has been using would work fairly well for the library. There will be some cost for our IT person to come in and erase them. Martha suggested other town entities may be interested in the laptops.

Motion to table by: Martha Johnston-Nash
2nd by: Jim Justice
4-0

12. Sign Certificate of Settlement and Re-commitment:

Jay said this is required by law when we change town clerk/tax collector.

Motion to sign above by: Jim Justice
2nd by: Wayne Kirkpatrick
4-0

13. Annual appointments and confirmations per attached:

Motion to accept select board annual appointments July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 by:
Martha Johnston-Nash
2nd by: Jim Justice
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Motion to accept the town manager's, town clerk's, treasurer's, and registrar of voters' appointments and oaths dated July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 by: Martha Johnston-Nash
2nd by: Jim Justice
4-0

14. Next steps on the Town Vote regarding the TCC:

Extensive discussion took place regarding the future of the building and money concerns.

Motion to get an RFP for the TCC roof ASAP by: Wayne Kirkpatrick
2nd by: Martha Johnston-Nash
4-0

Motion to ask Jay to reach out to developers within the expertise that we need and bring us a consultant by: Martha Johnston-Nash
2nd by: Jim Justice
4-0

15. Town Manager's Report:

Jay said we have a new town clerk, Sonya Willis.

Clarry Hill Road will be closed due to culvert work beginning July 18 until completion. The Ayer Park boat ramp will be out of commission while Farley's works on it, also to begin July 18.

Commitment is first meeting in August.

16. Other Business:

Martha outlined plans for Founders Day Weekend.

Motion to close Burkett Road Friday night, July 15, for the Friday night pie social and concert by: Jim Justice
2nd by: Wayne Kirkpatrick
3-0-1 abstention (Martha)
Motion passes.

Jay brought up a TMA request for additional funding. It would be part of the \$30,000 the board approved. It is a new fiscal year. We will be paying this directly and need receipts, workers comp, portfolio of insurance with the town named as additionally insured, etc. It was decided to table this until the next meeting.

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17. Committee Reports:

a. Broadband

John Gibbons gave an update on LCI, Maine Connectivity Authority, possible additional grants, and recent Coalition developments.

b. Aging in Place in Union

Jay did not have a figure on how many attended the luncheon.

c. Green Space

Heather said they are gathering all the information and coming up with a list of options for the select board to consider. Jay said for the survey we are going with Landmark who offered the lowest price.

d. TMA Report

Erik Amundsen said it has been pretty status quo.

They will be doing a beautification thing with the planting of a small tree as they were given a \$500 donation. Martha said the \$500 donation was requested by an employee of Camden National Bank, Tammy Hooper, sister of Greg Eaton who worked there for a long time as janitor; there will also be a commemorative plaque.

Our cabinetmaker tenant is still there and waiting to hear from the board.

18. Select Board Reports:

The board welcomed Wayne Kirkpatrick.

Martha gave Jay a copy of the posting for the noncompliance of the first water test from TMA.

Martha also brought up a taxpayer complaint, discussion of which would need to be discussed in executive session as it involves a town employee.

19. Future Agenda Requests:

Petition from Linda Waltz-Mountainland regarding TCC.

Donation of old select board laptops to library or other town entity.

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Extend TMA past the end of July.

TMA funding request.

Select board rep for the Green Space Committee.

20. Adjourn:

Meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Abaldo
Secretary