

APPROVED MINUTES FREEDOM BOARD OF SELECTMEN

September 12, 2016

CALLED TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Selectmen Ron Price at 6:07 p.m.

Those in attendance were Selectman Ron Price, Steve Bennett and Brian Jones. Also in attendance were, Jim Waterman (Fire Chief), Marilyn Perry, Tim Biggs, Scott Holmes (ACO), Erna Keller (Treasurer), Cindy Abbott (Town Clerk) and Sallyann Hadyniak (Secretary).

REVIEW of MINUTES

Ron made a motion to accept the minutes as read and for them to be placed on file. Steve second the motion, all in favor.

***TREASURER'S REPORT;**

1. Motion made to approve the Payroll Warrant in the amount of \$2,361,44 and approve the A/P warrant in the amount of \$103,228.73 (which includes Waldo County Treasurer \$61,090.48 & \$38,210.55) by , seconded by Brian. Motion made and carried, all in favor.
2. Ending checkbook balance \$540,758.02
3. Cindy & Erna will be at a mandatory Election

Training on September 21 & 22nd and the office will be closed on the September 22.

4. MMA Convention is in Bangor at Cross Center on October 5 & 6. Fill out your forms ASAP as to which days you will be going. The information is in your Maine Townsman book.

Citizen's Issues & CONCERNS:

Jim Waterman questioned if the generator has been hooked up. Ron stated no but he will try to contact the gentlemen who is in charge. Jim also stated that #2 truck is contaminated with foam. He has refused to fill any swimming pools and wells with water mainly because of the above reason.

Salt & Sand Shed:

Ron gave a report regarding the sand and salt shed and stated that there were about three more things needed to be done to complete the building.

SOLID WASTE:

Brian invited David Adamson to attend our meeting and since he didn't show up, Brian will ask him again.

TOWN CLERK:

Cindy displayed the Life Line AED, explained how it should be used and discussed with the selectmen where to hang it.

A Rabies scheduled was given out to the Selectmen and

the two real estate accounts that were discussed 13 & 14 were paid today.

ROAD COMMISSIONER:

Ron will go and pick up some parts, such as pipes to complete the building in Mass. near Springfield on Wednesday, and will be submitting a bill for travel time.

The person we bought the building from is coming to help install the little overlap on the corners. He is from California. It is in the contract what the warrantee is for. Steve met with the guy from the MMA Insurance Company and stated that he was very happy with what he saw with the salt and sand building.

Ron gave a report regarding what roads were ditched and what roads will be worked on next.

* Bids were received for sand, one from J&S Sand and one from Larrabee Construction. Ron made a motion to accept the bid from J&S Sand, seconded by Steve, motion made and carried. All in favor.

Steve brought up the subject about acknowledging the works of Travis and Bob. It was decided that the Selectmen will meet with Travis and Bob on Friday September 16th at 12:30 p.m. to cut the ribbon and have pictures taken of the completed salt and sand shed. Sallyann will take the pictures.

OLD BUSINESS;

***Budget Committee:**

Steve stated that Kenny Overlock showed an interest and asked Cindy if she received a letter from Kenny expressing his interest and she stated no. Steve asked Tim Biggs if he were interested and Tim said yes for a one year term and submitted letter which is on file. Ron made a motion to accept Tim for a one year term on the budget committee, all were in favor. Steve agreed to call Kenny to ask for a letter. Ron would like to see another woman on the committee.

POST OFFICE:

*Steve gave a report that Gary and his plumber & electrician checked out everything and it is all in working condition. Kayla last day of works is Thursday. He has to be there while the work is being done. Things need to be moved and floors need to be washed down very good. He gave 4 quotes, for everything that needs to be done inside and outside the building coming to a total of \$17,155.00 and should be under \$18,000.00. Steve had an interview with Channel 7 regarding the post office. Steve is hoping that the postal service will send us a check. Brian made a motion that they sign the contract proposals and return them back to Gary and keep a record on file. Ron seconded the motion. Motion made and carried. All in favor. Steve made a motion for Jackie to talk to the people and look into the camper next to the post office to see if they are hooked up to the septic system. Brian

seconded, motion made and carried. All in favor. Steve wants to know what the public works cost from other towns are. Ron will get what other towns budgeted. Ron went over a list of the long and short of things that need to be done to keep two full time employees busy.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the trash. A warrant should be signed Oct. 3rd Presentation. A warrant will be posted for a Special Town Meeting and Hearing which will be held on October 13, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Election Hall. Let the public know the huge savings by having our own crew.

ACO:

Scott Holmes stated that he called Ted Reynolds several times and Ted never called back. Scott visited the site on the 18th and 29th at night, dogs were barking and then proceeded to Keri and Steve Bennett's property and heard the dogs barking there. Scott will write a certified letter to Ted and bring it to the next meeting for the Board's approval.

MMA CONFERENCE:

Ron will attend the conference on Wednesday and Brian will go on Thursday.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Ron made a motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m., Steve seconded the motion and all were in favor,

Respectfully submitted,

Sallyann Hadyniak

Secretary