

MINUTES
SEBAGO BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
6:00 PM
TOWN OFFICE
TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2021

ALL REGULAR BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETINGS
ARE HELD THE 1ST AND 3RD TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH.

Reminder to the attending public:
Select board meetings are open to the public, but the public may not speak unless
recognized by the Chair or Vice Chair only during public comment.
Comment time is limited to 2 minutes per speaker.
Matters related to personnel will not be heard or discussed.

~~PUBLIC HEARING: AMENDMENTS TO THE TOWN OF SEBAGO PARKING ORDINANCE.~~

It was noted that the above Public Hearing agenda item was a typographical error and that this Public Hearing was held at the last Board of Selectmen meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ann Farley at 6:00 pm.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Selectmen; Ann Farley, Charles Frechette, Phil Lowe, Tim Mayberry and Chris Parker, Town Manager, Michele Bukoveckas, Town Clerk and Recorder, Maureen Scanlon

Guests present: Philip Strike, Helen Twombly, Michael O'Donnell, Edie Harnden, Claudia Lowe.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at the start of this meeting.

III. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Agenda Item Adjustment: Consent Agenda Item D.

Additional Warrant added for approval – FY 21 Warrant #53

Added Agenda Item: Consent Agenda Item E. – Approve FY 22 Warrant #1.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of the May 25, 2021 Annual Town Meeting Minutes

Chris Parker made a motion to approve the May 25, 2021 Annual Town Meeting minutes as presented. It was seconded by Phil Lowe. Motion carried with four in favor and Charles Frechette abstaining from the vote.

B. Approval of the June 1, 2021 Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes

Ann Farley made a motion to approve the June 1, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. It was seconded by Chris Parker. Motion carried with four in favor and Charles Frechette abstaining from the vote.

C. Approval of the June 15, 2021 Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes

Chris Parker made a motion to approve the June 15, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. It was seconded by Charles Frechette. Motion carried with four in favor and Tim Mayberry abstaining from the vote. (Recorder's Note: Phil Lowe watched the video recording of the June 15th meeting.)

D. Approve FY 21 Warrants #49 thru #53

Ann Farley made a motion to approve FY 21 Warrants #49 thru #53 as submitted. It was seconded by Phil Lowe. Motion carried with all in favor.

E. Approve FY 22 Warrant #1

Tim Mayberry made a motion to approve FY 22 Warrant #1 as submitted. It was seconded by Chris Parker. Motion carried with all in favor.

V. OLD BUSINESS

There were no "Old Business" agenda items.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Revaluation update by Assessor's Agent – John and Mike O'Donnell

Mike O'Donnell from John E. O'Donnell & Associates, our Assessor's Agent, updated the Board on what they have done to date in the revaluation process. He submitted documentation on equalization tables and sales ratio analysis and explained how this information is used to set values.

"Tax Estimation" will now be done in order to inform property owners of their estimated taxes based on the new values. He stated that he will be sending a spreadsheet with all of the tax accounts to the Board for their review before moving forward with sending out the letters to the taxpayers with their

estimated tax. Hearings will then be held in order to allow taxpayers to dispute any discrepancies that may have been overlooked.

The Board gave Mike the approval for O'Donnell & Associates to continue to move forward with the next phase of the revaluation process. He will report back at a future meeting.

B. Appointment of CEO, LPI and E-911 Addressing Officer

Chris Parker made a motion to appoint Brandon Woolley as CEO, LPI and E-911 Addressing Officer (for a one-year term). It was seconded by Phil Lowe. Motion carried with all in favor.

C. Resolution MMA Workers' Compensation Safety Incentive Program

The Town Manager explained that Maine Municipal Association provides the town's Workers Compensation insurance. They have a Safety Incentive Program that is free of charge. This program provides free training and safety inspections that would eventually lead to a reduction in insurance premiums which would result in less cost to the taxpayers.

Ann Farley made a motion to accept the MMA Workers' Compensation Safety Incentive Program. It was seconded by Chris Parker. Motion carried with all in favor.

The Board proceeded to sign the MMA Workers' Compensation Safety Incentive Program Resolve Form which is attached to and does hereby become a part of the original set of these minutes.

VII. REPORTS FROM TOWN OFFICIALS

A. Town Manager

- We were awarded \$2,500 from ConnectME and \$2,500 from Betterment of Maine to be used for Broadband Planning. Once again, thank you to Allen Crabtree and the committee for their work in acquiring these funds.
- I was asked by Corrine Davis for a donation to make restroom improvements to the Bridgton Recreation shack. The Bridgton Recreation Advancement Group (the ones doing the fundraising) is a 501 C3. This facility is used by Bridgton, Naples, Casco, and Sebago for various events. She had placed a request this spring, but it was well after the Budget Committee had met. There are funds available in the FY 21's budget that could be used for a donation. Your thoughts? Amount?

Chris Parker made a motion to donate \$500.00 to the Bridgton Recreation Advancement Group from the FY 21 Soccer Account. It was seconded by Tim Mayberry. Motion carried with all in favor.

- Local Road Assistance Program funds will be \$53,392 this year (FY 21-22). This is an increase of \$3,500.
- Hope to interview another candidate this week for Public Works.
- Tomorrow I will be attending (via virtual) a meeting concerning the Regional Broadband effort with GPCOG to review potential consultants to help gather information on a Regional Level.
- Tomorrow I will also attend a meeting with Cumberland County EMA, and other State groups (MDOT, MDEP, and PWD) to discuss the Route 114 Lake Erosion issue.

B. Selectmen

Phil Lowe asked about the letter received from Michelle Scott at the last meeting regarding Planning Board etiquette. He asked if this should be addressed by the Board of Selectmen during an Executive Session. There was some discussion on this subject with it being determined that the Board of Selectmen does not have jurisdiction over the Planning Board. However, the Planning Board members are appointed to their position by the Board of Selectmen. The Town Manager was asked to check with Maine Municipal Association's legal department for guidance on how to address this matter. This will be an agenda item for the next Selectmen's meeting.

Charles Frechette had nothing to report.

Chris Parker asked about the status of the Roll-off truck at the Transfer Station. He suggested that it should no longer be used to bring brush debris to Bridgton. There was discussion on having the brush debris continue to be left at the Transfer Station and then moved by the Public Works crew to the Public Works pit area where it can be processed.

The Board agreed to suspend the acceptance of brush debris at the Transfer Station for two weeks (until Tuesday, July 20th) because the existing brush debris at the Public Works pit area needs to be relocated in order to accommodate the Sebago Days fireworks. The Fire Marshall will be inspecting the site prior to the fireworks event taking place.

Tim Mayberry had nothing to report.

Ann Farley had nothing to report.

C. Department Heads

Town Clerk Maureen Scanlon had nothing to report.

Health Officer (and Beach Attendant) Helen Twombly stated that although lots of people are upset about the Selectmen's order of "no boats on the

beach” it is a safety issue and she is glad that the Selectmen have addressed the problem. The boats are bigger than they used to be, there are more of them, and overall, there are more people on the lake than there used to be in the past. Often the boats are very close together with children swimming behind and between them. It was also noted that other towns do not allow boats on the beach.

So, the excuse of “we’ve always been allowed to do it in the past” just doesn’t work. It was noted that if residents want to address this matter with the Selectmen, they can do so under the “Comments from the Public” section which is held at the end of each Selectmen’s meeting. They can not speak during the meeting on an agenda item, unless it is during a Public Hearing on a matter.

Helen Twombly reported that she has received complaints about several campers (trailers) that are located on Shore Road. The concern is that since there is more than one camper at this location it makes it an unauthorized campground. Brandon Woolley stated that he also has received complaints about the number of campers on Shore Road. He has looked into the matter and explained that the definition of a Campground is one that receives compensation. The campers located on Shore Road are owned by family members only, with no compensation being provided to a campground owner. None of these campers are used for more than 180 days and are closed down after the summer season which is legal. He has looked into the matter and has not found anything that is a code violation or conflicts with the town’s ordinance.

Phil Strike had nothing to report as the town’s new EMA Director.

VIII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Claudia Lowe commented that she recently observed the ongoing safety issue with boats at the town beach that Helen Twombly has addressed with the Board. She stated that due to the topography of the beach itself, it is difficult for people to see some spots where their kids may be playing. It becomes even more of a problem if they become distracted by their friends and forget that their kids are playing in that area.

Claudia Lowe also had concerns about the recent Planning Board meeting. She distributed a list of questions she has for the Selectmen to consider because she feels as though it deserves further discussion.

The Board agreed to reschedule the Workshop with the Fire Department from July 20th to August 3rd.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Chris Parker made a motion to adjourn at 7:15 pm. It was seconded by Phil Lowe. Motion carried with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Maureen F. Scanlon
Town Clerk