

Town of Wayne, Maine
Select Board Meeting Minutes
October 1, 2024
Ladd Recreation Center

Call Meeting to Order/ Selectmen Present

Trent Emery determined quorum and called meeting to order at 6 PM with the following members present: Marianne Butak, Henry Steck, and Hazel Stevenson. Lloyd Irland was absent.

BEAD Presentation – Kendra Jo Grindle, Director of Community Strategy for the Maine Connectivity Authority

CEO – Chip Stephens Update on Branagan Estates:

Chip stated he has been working hard with Bill, who is in ill health, to clean up the property, and that some vehicles have been removed. Stated there are homeless people living there in poor conditions, but that as he is not a health officer, he can only urge Bill to help them find other housing. Chip stated he sees the situation there as a neighbor dispute, and does not feel any legal action is called for at this time.

Minutes.

- a. **The Board approved the Selectboard meeting minutes for September 17, 2024, with amendments. (Steck/Butak) (4/0).**

Varrants.

- a. **The Board approved Accounts Payable #13 in the amount of \$397,358.27. (Stevenson/Butak) (4/0).**
- b. **The Board approved Payroll Warrant #14 in the amount of \$9738.05. (Stevenson/Butak) (4/0).**

Old Business:

- a. **Motion to amend Policy entitled “Town Office Hours Policy.” (Stevenson/Butak) (4/0).**
- b. **Discussion on Hiring Temporary Bookkeeper Aid. Motion to hire a Temporary Bookkeeper Aid and look at the impact after 20 hours of work. (Butak/Steck) (4/0).**
- c. **Update on Ladd Recreation Center Court Project. Bryce, who has been Project Manager, stated it has been a balancing act to get proper funding, and to pay for work done on schedule.**

New Business:

- a. **Review Plow Contract and discussion about administrative error of incorrect increase of 15% to plow contractor last year, (overpayment of \$25,652), and how to fairly handle this error. The Selectboard decided to discuss further with contractor present at next selectboard meeting.**

- b. Discussion on Remediation for Landfill Abutter at 198 Fairbanks Road, who's DEP testing showed positive for PFAS. The Town will provide bottled water until long-term solution of providing a water treatment system, which DEP will pay 90% of the cost. Bryce will consult further with the Town attorney.

Supplements / Abatements: None

Town Manager Report:

- a. Bryce stated the Town office is very busy with the tax season.

Board Member Reports:

- a. Marianne Butak gave report on progress of Hiring Committee. Stated close to a final draft, which will be presented at the Nov. 5th meeting.

Executive Session Personnel Matters: 1 M.R.S.A. SS 405 (6) (A).

Motion to enter Executive Session Personnel Matters: 1 M.R.S.A. SS 405 (6) (A). (Stevenson/Butak) (4/0).

Motion to exit Executive Session Personnel Matters: 1 M.R.S.A. SS 405 (6) (A). (Stevenson/Butak) (4/0).

No Action taken.

Motion to adjourn at 8:05 PM. (Stevenson/Steck) (4/0).

The next regular Select Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 15, at 6 p.m. by Hybrid format.

Recorded by:

Cathy Cook, Town Clerk

Select Board Members


Marianne Butak




Henry Steck



Trent Emery



Hazel Stevenson



Lloyd Irland

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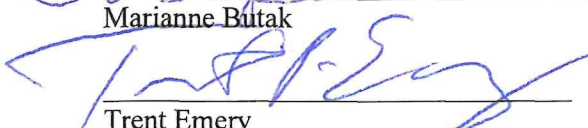
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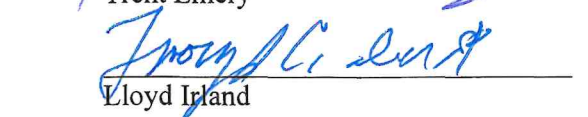
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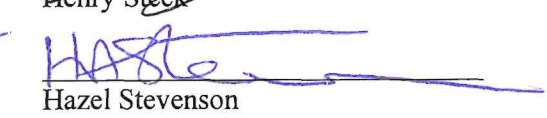
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