

Article 1: Bills and Warrants

The Board reviewed and signed the Bills and Warrants.

Article 2: Consent Agreement (Map 9 Lot 52)

The Board signed the Consent Agreement between the Town of Madawaska and Chad R. Carter for a code violation for Map 9 Lot 52.

Article 3: Community Development – Grant for Water District

The Board signed the documents for the Community Development Grant for the Madawaska Water District.

REPORTS AND/OR CORRESPONDENCE:**Article 1: Town Manager**

A notice received from Trident Insurance Services referencing a claim for a sewage back-up in a basement. There is a floor drain in the basement so the insurance sent a notice that Town is not responsible for the back-up because the Town of Madawaska's Sewer Ordinance states a floor drain is not allowed to be connected to the sewer drain.

A copy of the newsletter for the Aroostook Partnership for Progress dated January 23, 2015 for the Board's review.

A copy of a Notice of Opportunity to Cure Default for Madawaska UDAG Loan #5321 for the Board's review.

A notice for the Recreation Trail Connector Grand Opening to be held on Saturday, January 31, 2015 at 9 a.m. at the Four Seasons Trail Association Lodge on Spring Street. The Town Manager thanked all groups, the Public Works Department, and Mr. Colin Jandreau for all the work they have done for the trail system. It is appreciated.

A memo to all Town employees referencing the OSHA Mandatory Service Training on Wednesday, February 18, 2015. The Town Manager stated the office staff will split the two sessions so the office will remain open.

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The Town Manager informed the Board that the equipment used to televise meetings was brought from the ACAP Office to the Town Office. This will allow teleconferencing for meetings held out of Town. This equipment was obtained through a grant written by N.M.D. C. and was at no cost to the Town.

The Board received a thank you card from Pamela Cote for the Christmas Party and the Shop and Save gift card.

Article 2: Any Other Reports

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Article 1: Sewer Bill – Lionel Chamberland

The Town Manager informed the Board that Mr. Lionel Chamberland's sewer bill is \$1,192.50 for a six month period. There was a drastic increase for the water usage used through the Water District. Lisa Parent contacted Mr. Donald Chasse (Water District Superintendent) about the usage and Mr. Chasse stated they could not find the reason for the increase but the water went through the meter. The Water District will allow Mr. Chamberland 24 months to pay the bill without interest.

Mr. Chamberland stated he went to see Mr. Chasse and there is nothing wrong with the water meter. Mr. Chamberland stated he has very high water pressure and he is waiting to see if that is part of the reason for the high water usage. He would like to make arrangements with the Town of Madawaska for payments on his sewer account.

A motion was made by Selectperson Fletcher to allow Mr. Lionel Chamberland 24 months (without interest) to pay his sewer bill; seconded by Selectperson Morin. All in favor. Carried.

Article 2: Fire Department Appreciation Banquet – February 7, 2015

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A memo was sent out from the Fire Department inviting the Town Manager, Town employees and the Board of Select People to the Annual Banquet and Recognition Night to be held at the Safety Complex on February 7, 2015 starting at 5:00 p.m. Selectperson Morin, Selectperson Carter and their spouses will be attending the banquet on behalf of the Board. The Town Manager is out of Town and unable to attend.

Article 3: Request for Military Tent Use for Can Am

The Town Manager received a letter from Mr. Beurmond J. Banville (Can-Am Crown Sled Dog Races) requesting to rent one of the Town's military tents. Mr. Dean Gendreau asked who would be responsible to set up the tents. The Town Manager advised that the Can Am Committee Members can set it up themselves as they have some help. Mr. Gendreau stated the National Guards would know how to set up the tents. The discussion was to charge \$325.00 for the rental, \$50.00 per section for the Recreation Department to set up the tent and \$30.00 each for the extra days. The Town Manager suggested that they not be charged the full price for the tent rental if they provide insurance for the event and sign off that they are responsible for any damage. It is another town's organization doing something positive for their community.

A motion was made by Selectperson Morin that the Town ask for a full payment of \$250.00 which includes the security deposit and setup. The committee needs to provide the proper insurance; seconded by Selectperson Fletcher. All in favor. Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Article 2: Kenneth Dionne – Tax Issue

Mr. Kenneth Dionne said Keybank had sent the tax payment to the Town and when the payment was posted, it was posted to Riverside Hardware and not his residence. Chairperson Frallicciardi asked Mr. Dionne if he had any documentation that Key Bank added the \$7,000.00 to his house loan. Mr. Dionne responded that he has the paperwork for the \$10,000.00 on his house loan. Now they are foreclosing on his house.

Chairperson Frallicciardi asked Mr. Dionne to get the information for the Board and the Board will rescind the prior motion made at the January 20, 2015 Board Meeting. The Board will allow Mr. Dionne time to find the letter from Keybank stating the addition to the loan.

A motion was made by Selectperson Morin to rescind the prior motion on January 20, 2015; seconded by Selectperson Carter. Chairperson Frallicciardi, Selectperson Morin, and

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Selectperson Carter were for and Selectperson Fletcher abstained because he was not at the January 20, 2015 Board Meeting. Carried.

A motion was made by Selectperson Morin to table the tax issue until Mr. Kenneth Dionne is able to provide more information to the Board; seconded by Selectperson Carter. All in favor. Carried.

Article 4: Daigle Parking Lot Agreement

The parking lot is behind the Town Office and is used for winter parking for people that live on Main Street. The people are not allowed to park on Main Street at night during the winter months due to snowplowing operations. The proposed agreement is for a two year lease between Annette Daigle and the Town of Madawaska. The annual fee is \$1,400.00 for the lease of the property.

A motion was made by Selectperson Morin to accept the lease as is for \$1,400.00 a season; seconded by Selectperson Carter. All in favor. Carried.

Article 5: Request from Senate President Michael Thibodeau – Unfunded Mandates

The Town Manager received a letter from Senator Michael D. Thibodeau, President of the Maine Senate, regarding unfunded state mandates currently in effect and the burden they may pose on Maine communities. Senator Thibodeau is sponsoring a bill “An Act Regarding Unfunded Mandates” and is asking towns to participate by identifying mandates that the Town feels are unnecessary, out of date, or burdensome to the community. Selectperson Morin asked that the Town Manager and Chairperson Frallicciardi work on the list.

By general consensus, the Board requested that the Town Manager email the list to the Board and the Board will send feedback to the Town Manager. The Town Manager can compose the letter and send it to Senator Thibodeau’s office.

Article 6: Governor’s Proposed State Budget

The Town Manager gave a copy of the Governor LePage’s Proposed State Budget for the Board to review. As it stands, the Town could lose up to \$750,000.00 (municipal only) if this budget would pass. The Town Manager believes not all the proposals will go through, but some of them might. Town Managers have requested the expansion of sales tax for years but believe the money should be given back to the towns in the mannerism of lowering property tax, but Governor LePage’s focus is on income tax reduction.

The Town Manager stated there will be a teleconference on Governor LePage’s proposed budget tomorrow night (February 4, 2015) at 6:00 p.m. Anyone is invited to come to the Town Office to listen to the proposed budget and this will allow us to hear from other communities.

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Article 7: Internship Program through UMFK

Chairperson Frallicciardi stated there is an internship program through the University of Maine at Fort Kent. This intern could work with Community Development or the Chamber of Commerce. For example, the individual could develop a welcoming package for the Town of Madawaska. The individual has to meet very specific criteria and they have to build their portfolio.

Selectperson Carter stated we could develop goals applied to the intern. I will send a copy of the email to the Town Manager. The Town Manager replied we can match the Town's projects with the student applications.

By consensus, the Board asked that the Town Manager look into the contact information.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Article 1: Review Recommendations from the Resource Committee

A motion was made by Selectperson Carter to table the Recommendations from the Resource Committee until the next meeting and review the recommendations first; seconded by Selectperson Morin. All in favor. Carried.

Article 2: Kenneth Dionne – Tax Issue

Discussed earlier.

Article 3: Time Warner Cable

A meeting has to be scheduled with Time Warner Cable to start the renewal process for the Town's Franchise Agreement. Selectperson Frallicciardi and Selectperson Fletcher will represent the Board at the meeting. The Town Manager stated that Mr. Colin Jandreau and the Superintendent should be present at the meeting so they can discuss the needs of WOWL. The meeting will be scheduled in March.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The Town Manager stated some of the Board Members need to complete the mandatory trainings: MEMA (Maine Emergency Management Agency), FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency), and NIMS (National Incident Management System). These trainings are required for the Board so they are prepared for emergency situations in the Town. Also, all

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officials must have the training in the Right to Know Law.

The Board will hold a workshop at a later date to discuss rules and operating procedures of Town Officials and the proper etiquette at Board Meetings.

ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Selectperson Fletcher to adjourn at 6:08 p.m.; seconded by Selectperson Carter. All in favor. Carried.

FUTURE MEETING DATES:

February 4, 2014	Review of Governor’s Proposed Budget	6:00 p.m.
February 5, 2015	Planning Board Meeting	4:30 p.m.
February 24, 2015	Board Meeting	4:30 p.m.
February 24, 2015	BOS Budget Meeting	6:30 p.m.

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