

**Town of Dallas Plantation**  
**Board of Assessors meeting minutes**  
**Held Tuesday June 18, 2019**

**Assessors Present:** Patricia Ellis, Linda Jones

**Staff Present:** David Schinas

**Public Present:** T.A. Morgan, Mark Bridges, James Dickson

**Call to order:** Linda Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

**Public to speak:** James Dickson has concerns about a neighbor's yard that has unregistered cars exceeding the automobile graveyard statute limits and other miscellaneous items that could be considered a junkyard under Maine statute. He has had no help from other state agencies and is looking to Dallas Plantation for some guidance. Linda Jones recounted the steps taken to date in response to the initial complaint of May 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 of oil/gas leaking into the ground. She had followed up with DEP as they had not informed the Plantation's LHO of the results to their inquiry. No toxic substances were found after both shake and blotter tests. Mr. Dickson is worried property values have gone down on his road because of the condition of his neighbor's property. The Assessors stated they would look into the legal statutes regarding automobile graveyards and junkyards as well as follow up with LUPC jurisdiction. The Assessors agreed to follow up on the complaint while seeking legal counsel and would notify Mr. Dickson of their action. They agreed that a letter would be sent to initiate action. It was also noted that the neighbor does not want their private road improved and will not allow any road improvements in front of their house. The Assessors suggested that they form a Road Association.

**Acceptance of Minutes:** Minutes from the June 4, 2019 meeting

**Motion:** Note: Linda Dexter accepted minutes outside of meeting. Minutes could only be approved by Ellis & Dexter, Dexter will not be available at another official meeting to approve minutes. Linda Jones was on vacation during the June 4, 2019 meeting.

**Second:** Patricia Ellis approved minutes in meeting.

**Decision:** 2-0

**Tax Collector Report:** None

**Treasurer:** Bills were reviewed and the warrant signed

**Ongoing Business:**

**Truck Garage** – ongoing

**Welcome Package:** will be added to the new website, upon completion in the near future.

**Summer Roads:** Steve Morrill expects to start grading all the public roads at the end of this week, definitely next week. The sides of the road are still wet.

**Town House:** We need to fix front door light that has come loose from the building allowing the door to hit the glass globe. Frank Cerminara will hold off on doing some landscaping till after Steve Morrill fixes our drainage issues around the Town House.

**Go Daddy:** Linda Dexter will be upgrading our website next week.

**Pickup Truck:** Mark Bridges said he took off the winter tires and put on the summer tires. He also said the pickup needs between \$3,000.00 to \$5,000.00 dollars in repairs. The Assessors agreed it needs to be fixed.

**New Business:**

**Saddleback Mountain Road:** The Assessors decided to narrow the skim coat pave portion on Saddleback Mountain Road from 26 feet wide which is four feet wider than normal to 22 feet wide to save on paving costs. The final coat will be installed after the culverts go through a freeze and we can decide on the width. It was noted that 12' is typical although 11' is ok for reconstruction. The corners can be wider as needed. The average car traffic is under 500 cars and the widths are in keeping with engineering recommendations. The vote was 2-0.

**Vacation Day:** The Assessors approved that David Schinas could take off June 21, 2019. The office will be posted as closed.

**Class:** The Assessors approved that David Schinas could take a Municipal Law class on June 25, 2019. The office will be posted as closed.

Patty motioned to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. Linda seconded the motion.

**Meeting:** Next Assessors meeting is Tuesday July 2, 2019

**Motion:** Patricia Ellis motioned to adjourn at 6:40 PM

**Second:** Linda Dexter

**Action:** Meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM

**Minutes:** Taken by David Schinas

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

Entered Executive Session at 7:07 PM

Adjourned Executive Session at 7:33pm. Conclusion to take up personnel written guidelines/job descriptions in July for municipal employees.