



Town of Baldwin, Maine
534 Pequawket Trail, West Baldwin, ME 04091
Cumberland County, Maine, U.S.A.
TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2017
BALDWIN TOWN OFFICE
6:30 P.M.



Attendance:

Selectmen: Robert Flint, Jeffrey Sanborn, Dwight Warren as well as members of the Public

1. Meeting was promptly called to order shortly after 6:30 PM by Robert Flint.

2. Review/ Approve meeting minutes

Robert Flint made a motion, and Selectmen voted 3-0 to approve July 18th, 2017 meeting minutes and August 1st, 2017 warrant. Selectmen signed LRAP report and submitted to the MaineDOT.

3. Old Business

Poverty Abatement Case 2017-05

Robert Flint made a motion to deny the request made in case # 2017-05 for a poverty abatement. He made a motion to write-off the associated fees and interest of approximately \$1,400 if the owner pays the back taxes within three years. Selectmen voted 3-0.

Lot 6-29A Churchill/ Doane Lot

Bob Lisante came into the office to discuss Lot 6-29A. He is one of the heirs of the Churchill family. He explained there was never a Louise Churchill. He described the family tree and requested the amount of back taxes on the property. The lot had not been paid on for so long, it was taken out of the system. Robert Flint calculated the back taxes based on historic mil rates and property assessments and concluded \$7,111.63 was owed on the property. Robert Flint proposed to sell the lot back to Bob Lisante for that amount. If he pays the back taxes, the Town would quitclaim the property back to him. A recommendation was made to pay Cote and Howe \$500 for listing the property and their service. Selectmen voted 3-0.

Lot 11-9-4 L'Heureux lot

Lot was foreclosed on for unpaid property taxes. Owner misunderstood the accounting and the payments were always being applied to the oldest taxes owed. Selectmen made a recommendation for the owner to make a non-conditional offer of at least \$1,000 to buy the property through Cote and Howe. A recommendation was made to pay Cote and Howe \$500 for listing the property and their service. Selectmen voted 3-0.

Maietta Update

Ongoing research and communication with Town attorney, David Laurie.

\$2,000 fund transfer into Planning Board Account

Selectmen made a motion to transfer \$2,000 from the contingent account into the Planning Board account to pay for wetland/ shoreland mapping services. Selectmen voted 3-0.

4. New Business

Winter Road Closure process

Last year had an extensive meeting and hearing to close the roads for winter maintenance per the Road Commissioner. Need to have a road closure meeting with the Road Commissioner and review. A recommendation was made to look at the roads on an annual basis. Flint proposed to put together a memo. Jeff Sanborn commented that Brian was going to possibly make changes this year. Need to review with Road Commissioner and have a list for next Selectmen's meeting. If there are new roads to be closed, a hearing is needed. Recommended to meet with Brian during the next workshop and set out a timeline.



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Pike Industries Gate

Jeff Sanborn explained he had spoken to Pike Industries approximately a month ago to install a gate to the gravel pit on Carl Burnell Road. The placement of the gate would be on town property and they asked permission for the gate and if the Town would maintain it. Selectmen voted 3-0 to allow Pike Industries to install a gate and the Town was to have access to the lock and key.

Budget Review

Selectmen reviewed and discussed the municipal budget in detail. They voted 3-0 to transfer \$3,000 from the contingent account into the cemetery account to cover the remainder of the mowing work for the year. They also voted 3-0 to transfer \$2,000 from the contingent account to cover the planning board expenses associated with the shoreland and wetland mapping services.

Community Center Update

- Hunter Safety – 2nd session Sunday August 6th
- ATV Safety Class Sunday August 13th 9AM-4PM
- Girl scouts to start Tuesday August 15th from 5:30PM – 7:30PM. Every Tuesday
- 16th birthday party Saturday August 19th from 4:30PM – 9PM.

Reminders:

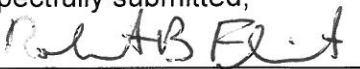
- Community Center Meeting, Wednesday, August 2nd @ 6:30PM
- Meeting with O'Donnell's, Friday, August 4th at 9:30AM
- Planning Board Public Hearing & Meeting, Thursday August 10th @ 7:00PM
- Personnel Ordinance Public Hearing, Thursday August 17th @ 7:00PM

5. Public Question & Comment

6. Adjournment

A motion was made by Robert Flint and seconded by Jeffrey Sanborn to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Robert Flint


Jeffrey Sanborn


Dwight Warren