



Town of Baldwin, Maine
SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, MAY 4th, 2021 6:00 P.M.



Note: This meeting was recorded and can be viewed on the website www.baldwinmaine.org.

Attendance: Selectmen: Jim Dolloff, and Dwight Warren as well as members of the Public.
(Robert Flint absent due to Covid exposure)

1. **Selectmen Meeting was called to order approximately at 6:00 PM by Jim Dolloff.**

2. **Review/ Approve minutes**

Jim Dolloff requested a motion to accept and approve April 20th, 2021 minutes. Bob Flint recommended to remove "The deed references Pantherville Pines as a town road." from the minutes. He said this is not true and not in the deed. Selectmen voted 3-0 to accept the minutes with the edit.

3. **Review/ Approve warrant**

Jim Dolloff requested a motion to accept and approve May 4th, 2021 warrant. Dwight Warren seconded the motion; no discussion. Selectmen voted 3-0 to approve the warrant.

- **Senator Richard Bennett: LD 672 "Resolve, To Study the Feasibility of Building a Trail on the Mountain Division Rail Line.":** Senator Bennett started the discussion about the proposed rail trail. He explained this is vote just to approve the study, not the project. There were some concerns that were brought up, such as ATV use on the trail, trail maintenance, ROW access across the trail and safety of the trail. Bennett explained that he hopes the study will address all of these concerns once its conducted. Bob Flint made a motion to sign the letter. Selectmen voted 3-0 and signed letter.
- **Fire Department appointments; Fire Chief and Assistant Chief**
Selectmen voted 3-0 to appoint Bruce Crawford as Town Fire Chief and Owen Sprague as Assistant Fire Chief. Both positions are 3 year terms.
- **Cemetery:** Selectmen reviewed the cemetery expenses and discussed the importance of overseeing the budget closely to avoid overspending. Last year the outlying cemeteries were not maintained and Town meeting reduced this year's cemetery budget by \$1,000.
- **Sand Pond Meeting update:** Selectmen discussed ordering two new picnic tables for the beach this year. Selectmen will get prices from Steep Falls building supply. Stickers will be printed in a more visible color this year. Need to order water test and purchase no parking signs.
- **State Bureau of Purchases for Road Salt:** There is an opportunity to purchase salt through the State Bureau of Purchases this year. This price is higher then what the Town paid last year. Selectmen discussed and will check with SMPD before agreeing to the State bid.
- **Alcohol Sales in Baldwin:** Selectmen office received a letter from the State indicating there was a vote restricting the sale of hard alcohol in Baldwin. Bob Flint read parts of the letter from the State. The Town doesn't have to do anything unless the Town wants to change it. Bob offered to write a letter to the State verifying the Selectmen are not requesting any change at this time.
- **Foreclosure Update:** Selectmen reviewed the foreclosures. Need to discuss more in-depth at the workshop. Bob Flint will draft some letters for review at the workshop on the foreclosure properties.



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- **Pantherville Pines ROW request:** Selectmen discussed and feel there is no need to do anymore on this request.
- **Request for trash removal on Sand Pond Road:** Josiah Pierce had requested the Town to pay for removal of trash on his property on Sand Pond Road. The Town got a price of \$100 from Mellen's to remove this trash. Bob Flint said it was not the Town's responsibility to remove the trash, it is not located in the Town right-of-way. Dwight Warren indicated that if the trash gets removed and paid for by the Town, will have to do it for everyone. Jim Dolloff said he will give Allan Dolloff a call to see if he can help remove the trash.
- **Community Solar Review :** Bob Flint reviewed the Town's bills and indicated that the Town can save 15% if the Town signs up in electrical costs. Selectmen approved 3-0 and need to request a formal contract to sign.

Reminders:

- STAFF MEETING, WEDNESDAY MAY 5TH
- PLANNING BOARD MEETING, MAY 13TH AT 7PM IN-PERSON AT OFFICE

Public Question and Comment


Executive Session

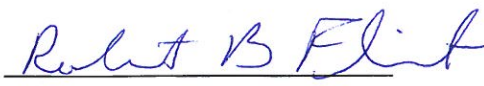
I move the Board go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 (6)(A) to discuss a personnel matter. The Selectboard went into Executive Session at 7:45 PM and came out at 8:20PM. No vote was made.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,


Jim Dolloff


Dwight Warren


Robert Flint