



Town of Baldwin, Maine  
**SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES**  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2020, 6:30 P.M.



**Note:** This meeting was recorded and can be viewed on the website [www.baldwinmaine.org](http://www.baldwinmaine.org).

**Attendance:** Selectmen: Jim Dolloff Gerry Brown and Dwight Warren, as well as members of the Public.

1. **General Assistance Public Hearing was called to order approximately at 6:33 PM by Jim Dolloff. No discussion. Public Hearing closed at 6:34PM.**
2. **Public Hearing for Fire Department Proposal and Town Assesor position was called to order approximately at 6:35 PM by Jim Dolloff.**

There was a lot of discussion on both articles. Jason Brown, presented the proposal and the reasoning behind it. There was questions regarding the \$350 reimbursable cost and why that was reimbursable. There was a comment questioning there was conducted study of this same type was conducted 10-15 years ago and questioned if it was done and where the report is. Also a question where the money was coming from? Jason said there was enough money to pay for study out of Fire Department operating budget. It was going to be a vote in an effort to be transparent and let the people know it was going to be conducted and the reason why. There were comments that the Fire Department is out of control with their spending. A comment indicating that it should be tabled until the March 2021 Town Meeting. There was much discussion regarding whether the study was necessary or not. The Town assesor position was discussed. The Selectmen presented the idea to the people because the Selectmen are not trained assessors, Cumberland County keeps up to date with all the required training and the law changes. There was a lot of discussion on the "view tax" that was claimed to be assessed on some properties during the revaluation and how taxes went up for some people. It was discussed that a single town assessor would be able to process the paperwork more efficiently, rather than wait every two weeks for a Selectmen's meeting. The public hearing was closed at approximately 8:25PM.

3. **Selectmen Meeting was called to order approximately at 8:26PM by Jim Dolloff.**
4. **Review/ Approve minutes**  
Gerry Brown requested a motion to accept and approve September 22nd, 2020 minutes. Dwight Warren seconded the motion; no discussion. Selectmen voted 3-0 to approve the minutes.
5. **Review/ Approve warrant**  
Gerry Brown requested a motion to accept and approve October 6th, 2020 warrant. Dwight Warren seconded the motion; no discussion. Selectmen voted 3-0 to approve the warrant.

#### **New Business**

- **2020-2021 General Assistance Appendices:** Selectmen voted 3-0 to accept the 2020-2021 general assistance appendices.
- **Trees on Wentworth Road :** There are trees in the town right-of-way on Wentworth Road that is going to fall onto a house. Selectmen discussed and will contact MMA on guidance whether it is a town issue or if the landowner should remove the trees.



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**Reminders:**

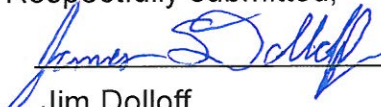
- Planning Board Meeting & Public Hearing– Thursday, October 8<sup>th</sup> @ 7PM
- Columbus Day – Office Closed – Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>

**Public Discussion:**

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Jim Dolloff and Selectmen voted 3-0 to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:41PM

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Jim Dolloff

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Gerry Brown

  
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Dwight Warren