

Town of Baldwin, Maine SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2021 6:00 P.M.



Note: This meeting was recorded and can be viewed on the website www.baldwinmaine.org. Attendance: Selectmen: Jim Dolloff, Dwight Warren and Robert Flint as well as members of the Public.

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 May 18th, 2021 minutes. Selectmen voted 3-0 to accept the minutes.

3. Review/ Approve warrant

Jim Dolloff requested a motion to accept and approve June 1st, 2021 warrant. Dwight Warren seconded the motion; no discussion. Selectmen voted 3-0 to approve the warrant.

Walden Solar:

- O See email from Paul Williamson dated 5/28/21. Need to research status of Town Farm Road. Misunderstanding and unclear on whether or not it is a Town road. Bob explained that the road is still on the map as a town road. The road provides access to Town Farm property. Dwight recalled that it was used approximately 20 years ago as a sewerage dump. Paul Williamson representing Walden Solar asked for consideration to re-route the road. Paul gave the Selectmen a copy of the statute explaining the procedure for re-routing a town-way. Paul requested the Selectmen to research this and have access to the Town records. Bob explained that the Town records he is requesting are old and fragile. This was taken as a request of action and the Selectmen will research this and follow-up with Paul on the findings.
- Ben Thompson review documents and sign: Selectmen reviewed one open space application, two tree growth applications and one abatement. Selectmen reviewed and approved 3-0.
- <u>Update from Paul Howe on foreclosures:</u> Paul Howe will list both properties. He is contacting the abutters of the unknown owner property. He will research the deed for the Sand Pond foreclosure.
- <u>Solar Farm email to MMA</u>: Selectmen reviewed an email drafted by Bob Flint to MMA expressing the frustration dealing with solar farms on a municipal level. Selectmen approved the email to MMA. See attached.
- <u>Sand Pond review:</u> Buoys are out. Sand Pond water results have been received and there weren't any detects of e-coli. Need to confirm what day trash is being picked up.
- <u>Tax bill payments/ fiscal year change update?</u>: Selectmen discussed. Need to hold a meeting and get the resident's input on to do this now or not. Tax commitment is affected, tax bill deadlines are affected. The Town needs enough funds to carry thru the transition period. This will be researched more and discussed in future workshops and/or meetings.
- Sacopee Valley Rec/ Adult Ed requests: Selectmen discussed and need to re-visit this in a couple weeks. Not comfortable holding classes quite yet due to covid-19.



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• Fire Truck accident: Bruce explained that the E-one fire truck has been damaged during a recent fire call. The driver hit a plow truck while responding to a fire. Bruce will find out on an estimate for the bent chrome piece to replace. There was minimal damage.

Reminders:

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Adjournment: Jim Dolloff adjourned the meeting at 7:31PM. Selectmen voted 3-0 to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

lim Dolloff

Dwight Warren

Robert Flint



Town Farm Road, Walden Renewables

1 message

Paul Williamson <paul.williamson@waldenrenewables.com> Fri, May 28, 2021 at 10:38 AM To: "baldwinselectmen@gmail.com" <baldwinselectmen@gmail.com" <dtaylorbaldwin@gmail.com" <dtaylorbaldwin@gmail.com>

Good Morning,

Walden Renewables came before the Baldwin Planning Board last night to discuss our proposal for the Baldwin 6 Solar Project. During the discussion it became apparent that there may be some mis-understanding regarding the status of the Town Farm Road.

With this new information we are considering potential design changes, and/or the opportunity to work with the Town to provide an alternative solution. I would like to explore this conversation as soon as reasonable. Please let me know if it would be possible to have a call with one of the selectmen to begin the conversation. Also, as appropriate I would be glad to attend the next available opportunity to meet with the Select Board to discuss the opportunities.

I look forward to hearing back from you regarding the earliest opportunity to engage in this discussion.

Kind regards,

Paul Williamson

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