

Town of Baldwin, Maine
SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 02ND, 2024, 6:00 P.M.



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

A Public Hearing considering a Proposed Ordinance Restricting Vehicle Weight on Posted Ways in the Town of Baldwin was held at the opening of the regularly scheduled Select Board Meeting. Robert Flint confirmed the draft ordinance as posted on the Town's website, Facebook page, and at the Town Office for public review, covers the weight posting of roads year-round. Although the Town has had a long-standing policy of posting roads, an ordinance gives the Road Commissioner the authority to enforce the policy. The Road Commissioner may issue permits granting limited access to weight restricted roads. The ordinance may be voted on by the Select Board; it requires a public hearing but does not require a town meeting.

At the conclusion of the Select Board meeting, Robert Flint moved to pass the Proposed Ordinance Restricting Vehicle Weight on Posted Ways in the Town of Baldwin. Dale Miner seconded the motion. The Selectmen voted 3-0 in favor.

1. Review/ Approve minutes.

Dale Miner moved to accept and approve March 19th, 2024, minutes as written. Robert Flint seconded the motion. The Selectmen voted 3-0 to accept the minutes.

2. Review/ Approve warrant.

Robert Flint moved to accept and approve the April 2nd, 2024, warrant. Dale Miner seconded the motion. The Selectmen voted 3-0 to accept the warrant.

3. Tax Abatement for Courtland Alexander Property at 879 Pequawket Trail, Tax Map 11, Lot 37-02:

The Selectmen signed a letter of record documenting the property abatement approved at a previous meeting. Further abatement form to be determined.

4. Mechanical Services, Inc., Maine Controls Proposal:

The Select Board reviewed the renewal contract for May 1st of 2024 to April 30th of 2025. The contract amount is approximately \$1,910.00 which covers maintenance and to have them on standby as needed. Robert Flint moved to sign the contract. Jim Dolloff seconded the motion. The Selectmen voted 3-0 in favor.

5. Use of Town Farm to Extend Walking Paths:

Robert Flint emailed Tom White of TW Enterprises notifying him of the Select Board's request to hold a public hearing to talk about the walking path proposal and ask if he could be available to attend the hearing and speak about the project. Tom confirmed availability after April 9th, 2024.

6. Carry Over Funds for TIF Attorney:

Robert Flint stated that on April 18th, 2023, the Select Board voted during a Select Board Meeting to extend the \$30,000.00 Town funding for the TIF Consultant. It was approved in the 2023 budget and extended over to the 2024 budget. Robert Flint proposes another extension as negotiations with Glenvale still need to be finished for the solar project. To date, approximately \$19,000.00 of the \$30,000.00 allocated has been expended. Glenvale has indicated that they will reimburse the Town for these expenses. Robert Flint moved the Select Board to extend the funding for the TIF consultant over to FY25. Dale Miner seconded the motion. The Selectmen voted 3-0 in favor.



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7. **Road Commissioner, Chris Harrington:** Chris confirmed that the highway department is prepared for the impending large snowstorm.
8. **Assistant Fire Chief, Chis Harrington:** Chris reported that annual fire hose testing is underway today. Chris confirmed that he is assisting Chief Sanders with submission of documentation to the Maine Department of Labor.

Reminders: Staff and budget meeting tomorrow, 04/03/24 beginning at 2:00pm

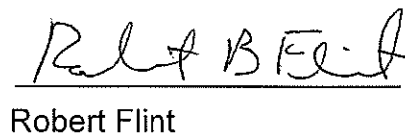
Public Question and Comment: Planning Board Chair, Jo Pierce stated that he may suggest the Planning Board temporarily hold weekly meetings due to the amount of workload.

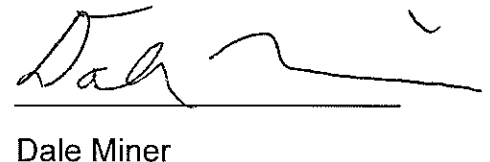
Executive Session. Jim Dolloff moved the Select Board into executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA Section 405 (6)(A) to discuss personnel matters at 6:25pm. Robert Flint seconded the motion. The Select Board voted 3-0 in favor.
Robert Flint moved the Select Board out of executive session at 7:15pm. Dale Miner seconded. The Select Board voted 3-0 in favor.
No decision was made.

Adjournment: Robert Flint motioned to adjourn at 7: 15pm. Jim Dolloff seconded. The selectmen voted 3-0 in favor.

Respectfully submitted,


Jim Dolloff


Robert Flint


Dale Miner