



Town of Baldwin, Maine  
**SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES**  
TUESDAY, June 27th, 2023, 6:00 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, Robert Flint, and Dale Miner, as well as members of the Public.

1. **Jim Dolloff called the Selectmen meeting to order at 6:02PM.**

2. **Review/ Approve minutes.**

Robert Flint moved to accept and approve May 30th, 2023, minutes as written. Jim Dolloff seconded the motion. The selectmen voted 2-0 to accept the minutes.

3. **Review/ Approve warrant.**

Robert Flint moved to accept and approve the June 13th, 2023, warrant. Dale Miner seconded the motion, no discussion. The selectmen voted 3-0 to approve the warrant.

4. **General Assistance Update:** Robert Flint confirmed that Katie Wilcox, Baldwin's current General Assistance Administrator would not be available to provide general assistance services independently once she leaves Opportunity Alliance. Cumberland County is looking to establish a county wide General Assistance Program that could be considered for the Town once established. Baldwin will need to have an interim general assistance coordinator in place by the end of June. Jim Dolloff recommended Barry Jordan from the Town of Sebago. He is a Select Board member as well as the General Assistance Coordinator for the Town of Sebago. Jim Dolloff to contact Barry to schedule a meeting.

5. **879 Peguawket Trail Update:** ACO, Rick Guilbault reported that last Thursday a Cumberland County Deputy shot two of the dogs at the address after being attacked and bitten. The dogs subsequently had to be euthanized by a local veterinarian. Over the weekend, all animals on the property were surrendered to the ACO. To date, one hundred and twenty-four animals have been removed and placed in homes.

Robert Flint was informed by the property owner, Cortland Alexander, that he is required to post the property for two weeks alerting the former tenant to remove any remaining personal property.

6. **Sand Pond Road- Dogs Update:** ACO, Rick Guilbault stated that the case involving the Pitbull dogs is an active federal case which cannot be discussed.

The animal cruelty case involving the seven French Bull dogs was dismissed. Rick requested the Assistant DA attorney to hold the dog owners responsible for the veterinarian/boarding expenses. The State and The Town will each be responsible for half of the veterinarian bills. Harvest Hills, the Town's contracted animal refuge, was not able to take all dogs at once, and per seizure guidelines, same day veterinarian evaluation is required. The dogs were taken to the Animal Refuge League. Further discussion was had with the CEO and Planning Board Chair regarding the number of dogs returned to the owners and potential for town ordinance violations, as well as state dog breeding violations.

ACO, Rick gave report on an ongoing case on River Road. One Hundred cats have been removed and thirty or more remain. Many of the cats are sick and suffer from congenital heart defects.



**Town of Baldwin, Maine**  
**SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES**  
**TUESDAY, June 27th, 2023, 6:00 P.M.**



Harvest Hills discovered the molality through necropsy after which cats succumbed while under anesthesia for spay/neutering.

7. **Resident Complaint- Lack of Police Presence & Road Work:** Road Commissioner, Chris Harrington, spoke with a gentleman on Senator Black Rd. which has called multiple times with complaints of bamboo in the ditch at the end of his driveway. Chris confirmed that he had been calling the wrong number.  
Jim Dolloff, noted that the Select Board has met with Sheriff Joyce and was told that Baldwin was not considered a high crime community, but would boost police presence in the area, especially with patrolling at night. ACO Rick Guibault said the State Police has made agreements with Oxford and York County and Cumberland County regarding Baldwin for better police coverage in the area. The discussion overall favored a feeling of increase in police presence in the area.
  
8. **Electrical Issue- Community Center:** Electrician, Chris Boucher came to evaluate a tripped breaker in the kitchen. He advised that appliances be used exclusively in the kitchen and not the freezer room. He recommended spacing the appliances out as outlets close together are likely to be on the same circuit, noting If twenty amps is exceeded, the breaker will be tripped. He will plan to come back and label the outlets for better guidance.  
Administrative Assistant, Robyn Anderson reported that the lack of hot water on the BAK end of the building was unrelated to the tripped breaker, the wrong tank was filled with the last propane delivery. The delivery driver from Dodge Oil thoroughly examined the tank gauges and relit the pilot light on the hot water heater.
  
9. **Beach Attendant Application:** Selectmen to meet with applicant. Robyn to call to schedule the interview.
  
10. **Fire Chief, Steven Sanders:** Revised letter to the West Baldwin Fire Company was approved by the Select Board. Steve Sanders to deliver letter and keep copy for file.  
The WMTW radio tower project will begin work next week. One of the contractors has requested a copy of the signed agreement. Robyn to look into.  
Training with mutual aid departments.  
ISO project due in August. Looking to be about fifteen points above where it was previously.
  
11. **CEO, Don Kent:** Don plans to call Glenvale regarding a different fee for solar farm installation. He presented a written job description for the code enforcement position for Select Board review. Discussion of need for vest and car magnets identifying as Town CEO was had. Rick Guilbault noted the town of Parsonsfield recently had a local business make car magnets for their CEO. Robyn to contact Ink Kat Krafts in Parsonsfield for pricing.



Town of Baldwin, Maine  
**SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES**  
TUESDAY, June 27th, 2023, 6:00 P.M.



**12. Road Commissioner Update:** Rain from thunderstorms has caused more washouts. Six hundred feet of Graffham Rd. was undermined completely. Bowie washed out again. The road crew is working repairing roads.

Chris presented a written request for compactor to Select Board.

An additional gravel bill from June still to come for April storm damage. \$41,030.50 from gravel and Town Road accounts. Expenditures are comprised of culvert, man hours and compactor rental. The paving of Farm Road and Harris Road is complete. Chris plans to shoulder both roads.

Dayton Sand and Gravel is to come back to repave an area on Harris Road that did not have the best outcome.

Looking forward to the demonstration on hot box.

Looking into mitigation money from the State.

Discussion took place about posting Freemont Ave. to heavy loads. Chris worked on a draft ordinance but stated that an ordinance was not needed to post the road. Selectmen can adopt a traffic ordinance.

Robert Flint moved to approve the plate compactor purchase from the town equipment reserve fund. Dale Miner seconded. The selectmen voted 3-0 in favor.

Chad Nason, Beach Patrol reported difficulty at Sand Pond Beach while swimming lessons were taking place. He requested a girl in a kayak to move to the boat side of the ramp. The mother became very upset.

**Reminders:**

**Public Question and Comment:**

Jo Pierce clarified that according to the Bureau of Parks and Lands the Town owns the boat launch at Sand Pond. By state law, if it's over ten acres it is classified as a great pond.

Large trucks have been sighted collecting water from the pond.

Kathy Pierce said library programs are going well. Attendance is strong.



Town of Baldwin, Maine  
SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, June 27th, 2023, 6:00 P.M.



**Executive Session. I move the Selectboard go into executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA Section 405 (6)(F) to discuss confidential records.**

Robert Flint moved the board to go into executive session at 7:30pm. Jim Dolloff seconded.

The Selectmen voted 3-0 in favor.


Robert Flint moved the board exit executive session at 7:35pm and reentered regular meeting. Jim Dolloff seconded. The selectmen voted 3-0 in favor.

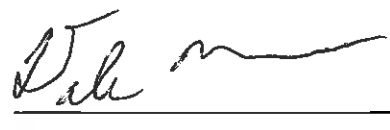
Robert Flint moved to approve the abatement letter as written. Jim Dolloff seconded. The selectmen voted 3-0 in favor.

**Adjournment:** Robert Flint moved to adjourn the Select Board meeting at 7:40 pm. Jim Dolloff seconded motion. The selectmen voted 3-0 to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Jim Dolloff

  
Robert Flint

  
Dale Miner