

# Town of Baldwin, Maine 534 Pequawket Trail, West Baldwin, ME 04091 Cumberland County, Maine, U.S.A. TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017 BALDWIN TOWN OFFICE 6:30 P.M.



Attendance: Selectmen: Robert Flint, Jeffrey Sanborn, Dwight Warren as well as members of the Public

1. Selectmen Meeting was promptly called to order approximately at 6:40 PM by Robert Flint.

#### 2. Review/ Approve meeting minutes

Jeffrey Sanborn made a motion to accept and approve October 24, 2017 meeting minutes. Flint seconded the motion. Selectmen voted 3-0 to approve meeting minutes.

#### 3. Review/ Approve November 7th

Jeffrey Sanborn made a motion to accept and approve November 7, 2017 warrant. Warren seconded the motion. Selectmen voted 3-0 to approve the warrant.

#### 4. Paul Howe

Two offers were made on the town property for sale identified as map 001 lot 063B. One offer was for \$8,000.00 with contingencies and another offer of \$10,000 with contingencies but less stringent then the other offer. Selectmen voted 3-0 to accept the \$10,000 offer.

## 5. RFP for Assessing Services

The Town advertised a request for proposals for assessing services. One proposal was received from Cumberland County Assessing. The proposal will be reviewed by the Selectmen at their workshop.

#### 6. Old Business

#### **Hillcrest Update**

Robert Flint reviewed the topic. Petricone filed the corporation paperwork with the State of Maine. David Laurie generated a quitclaim deed for Selectboard review. The Town needs to contact William Bloomquist and speak with him.

#### **Scholarships**

The storm and power outage caused the Selectmen workshop scheduled last week to be cancelled. The scholarships will be scored and discussed at the next Selectmen workshop.

#### **TRC Recommendations**

TRC did not have the availability to conduct the work and oversight necessary at the Maietta pit in regards to the agreed upon consent decree. TRC recommended another engineer, Ross Cudlitz, that has the necessary experience to complete the work. Ross will be providing the Town with a proposal of services to review.

## **MMA Financial Report**

Dwight Warren submitted a complete financial report requested by MMA. He collected the information from data provided by Debbie Wakefield and the town report.

#### ATBRO sale

The property owned by ATBRO was in foreclosure. ATBRO sold the property and paid all the back taxes. A guitclaim deed was produced after back taxes were paid.

#### MMA safety grant was approved

The MMA safety grant was approved. The Town office was awarded a grant for blue light filters for the office computers and a sit-stand workstation.



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7. New Business
Election Day is Today.

## Lot 011-10A (Fullerton lot) for sale

Lot 011-10A was quitclaimed to the the Town in an effort to forgive the back taxes on the property. The owner was researched, contacted and expressed they did not want the property. The owner provided the Town with a quitclaim deed and completed transfer tax form deeding the property to the Town will sell the property via real estate agent.

## End of the year action items – Growth permits ordinance

The Growth ordinance for the Town can be found in the Land-use ordinance. If the Growth ordinance is not reviewed by the Board of Selectmen by the end of the calendar year, it expires and is no longer applicable. There has been no indication that there is a need to increase or decrease the number of annual growth permits, therefore the Selectmen voted 3-0 to continue with the current growth ordinance.

#### LED bulbs

Bob Flint tested some bulbs to see if LED lights would work in the office light fixtures. The LED bulbs do work and it may be on an article to switch over to LED lights. LED is known to use less electricity than normal bulbs use and can save money over time.

## Updated poverty abatement rules PL 2017 C.273

Updated poverty abatement rules have been applied to the Town poverty abatement policy. Under this update, real estate assets will be evaluated in the process when considering poverty abatements.

## Supplements and Abatements from O'Donnell's

The Town received supplements and abatements from O'Donnell's. There are a few corrections that need to be made and Selectmen will review and sign at the next meeting.

#### 8. Community Center Update

- State Fire Marshal's office still reviewing application
- Specs out to companies for hood and fire suppression quote
- Lettering on Sign received quote. Need design team to provide image
- Kurt Olafsen Commercial Electrical Contractor
- Request to rent building for Tai Chai and Zumba. Monthly rent twice a week in the evenings, 3 hour sessions. Selectmen want to meet with instructor to better understand what they will be doing.
- Cheering will start next Monday 5:30PM 7PM Monday thru Thursday with occasional Fridays

## 9. Reminders:

- Planning Board Thursday, November 9th @ 7:00PM
- Town Office Closed Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> (Veteran's day)

#### 10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Robert Flint and Selectmen voted 3-0 to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:55PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Flint Jeffrey Sanborn

Dwight Warren