

Town Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 22, 2023

Roll Call: Michael Perkins, Chairman Robert Nutting
 Donald Borman Dana Wrigley

Others present:

Ella Bowman, Town Manager	Janice Porter, Town Clerk
Nate Bernier	Kelly Roderick
Kevin Quirion	Jon Cox
Sheila Thorne	Seth Rogers
Jeff Hall, Public Works Director	

Business Agenda:

1. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 4-0 approving the minutes of the previous meeting and signing the weekly warrant.
2. Public Works Director, Jeff Hall, discussed the increased cost of paving. The need for a separate sidewalk budget line in addition to the paving budget. Stated that flaggers, separate from the existing crew, would be an advantage when completing road projects. The maintenance account needs an increase, as the public works garage is in need of repairs. A ten-year plan for such road projects is being researched by Boyd and Steve. The plan would include culvert replacements, sidewalks and the roads needing upgrades.
3. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Donald Borman and voted 4-0 to approve the purchase of the 2022 public works truck, from Quirk Auto in the amount of \$43,000. Jeff stated that the vehicle is a left over 2022 white truck. Jeff found that it would be too costly to paint the vehicle to match the fleet of red trucks. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Donald Borman and voted 4-0 authorizing payment for the vehicle. Payment for the vehicle will come from reimbursement monies received yearly for the plowing of Kennedy Memorial Drive (state road).
4. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 4-0 to authorize the write off on the following account: U.S. TelePacific 2019 and 2020 Personal Property tax in the amount of \$7.35.
5. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 4-0 that the Town Office hours beginning on May 1st will be as follows: Monday through Thursday, 7:00 am to 5:00 pm and closed on Fridays. Notice of the change will be posted immediately. A previous vote taken by the Council agreeing that the town office would be closed on snow days which were called for by the state. This was found not to be a good judgement call. Our weather could possibly be better than in other parts of the state therefore we will call those days ourselves.
6. Ella introduced Sheila Thorne as the new Librarian who will replace Sarah Roy on June 16, 2023. Both Sarah and Gene Roy are retiring together on that date.
7. The TIF Advisory Committee will work under the guidance of the Central Maine Growth Council. Ella will assemble a committee to establish regions, districts, mobile home parks and solar arrays and more. Don Borman also expressed interest in being on the committee along with:
Danielle Marquis Matt Marquis Kelly Roderick Laura Tracy
Nicole Goodheart

Adjournment It was moved by Robert Nutting seconded by Dana Wrigley and voted 4-0 to adjourn at 6:55 pm.