

**EMERGENCY TOWN COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 10TH**

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm.

2. Roll Call

Town Council present:

Michael Perkins, Chairman  
Robert Nutting  
Donald Borman

Dana Wrigley  
David Groder

Others present:

Kelly Pinney-Michaud  
Abby Marshall  
Angela Jurdak

Janice Porter, Town Clerk  
Amy Calder, Sentinel Reporter

3. It was moved by Michael Perkins seconded by Dana Wrigley and voted 5-0 to enter executive session per Consultations with legal counsel 1 MRSA SS 405(6)(e), at 12:02pm

It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 5-0 to come out of executive session at 12:24 pm.

Town Manager resignation:

It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 5-0 to release Town Manager Ella Bowman from her employment agreement, effective October 10, 2023, and waive any required notice periods.

It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 5-0 to accept Ella Bowman's resignation as Oakland Town Manager.

It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 5-0 to authorize Michael Perkins to execute all necessary documents related to the departure of Ella Bowman as Oakland Town Manager.

Chairman, Michael Perkins read a "Statement from Ella Bowman"

"I am appreciative of the Oakland Council's waiver of the 30-60 day waiting period, allowing me to start my position with the Town of Winslow without delay.

Serving the residents of Oakland over the past 24 years as a public servant has been a most rewarding time in my life, one that will never be forgotten.

As with all things, change is sometimes necessary. I am looking forward to working with the Winslow Town Council, staff members and residents in my new position as Town Manager.”

Chairman, Michael Perkins read a “Statement from the Oakland Town Council”

Today, we accept the resignation of Ella Bowman as our Town Manager. We thank her for her long service to the town and wish her well.

AS Ella states, sometimes change is necessary. We have appointed Kelly Pinney-Michaud as our interim Town Manager, and she has our full support, as do the rest of our staff. We will soon begin the process of hiring a new Town Manager.

During this period, we wish to assure our citizens that town operations will continue to be provided at the same high level you have come to expect. That is one thing that won’t change.

**4. Appointments as follows:**

It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 5-0 to appoint Kelly Pinney Michaud as Interim Town Manager.

It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 5-0 to appoint Janice Porter as Tax Collector/Treasurer.

It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 5-0 to appoint Kathleen Paradis as Deputy Tax Collector and Deputy Treasurer.

5. Certificate of Settlement – Councilors signed/approved the “Certificate of Settlement for the 2021, 2022 and 2023 property taxes which were committed to Ella Bowman.
6. Re-Commitment of the 2023-2024 Taxes – Councilors signed/approved the “Certificate of Recommitment” to Janice Porter, Tax Collector.

**Adjournment:** It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 5-0 to adjourn at 12:35 pm.