

## TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 11, 2025

### Council Members Present:

Michael Perkins, Chairman

Dave Groder

Dana Wrigley Vice Chairman

Kelly Roderick

### Others Present:

Kelly Pinney-Michaud, Town Manager

Kathleen Paradis, Town Clerk

Cheryl Gould-Finance Director

Boyd Snowden, Town Engineer

Nathan Smart, Code Enforcement Officer

Jon Cox

Ray Gruber, Jr.

Joe Bolduc

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Council Chairman Michael Perkins and led those present in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **Roll Call:** Roll call was taken, four council members present. Robert Nutting absent.
2. **To consider approving the minutes of the May 28, 2025, meeting:** It was moved by Dana Wrigley, seconded by Dave Groder, and voted 4-0 to accept the minutes of May 14, 2025.

### NEW BUSINESS:

1. **2025-26 Sewer Recap of Public Hearing/Rate Increase:** Boyd Snowden Town Engineer and Sewer Treatment Plant Director gave a brief synopsis of the public meeting that preceded this council meeting. He stated that there were no residents present at the meeting and there would be a moderate rate increase.
2. **Review & Accept 2026 Dump/Plow Truck Bids:** Town Manager Kelly Pinney-Michaud advised the council that we had received bids for the dump/plow trucks and Municipal Leasing Consultants was the lowest Principle/Interest over a 5-year period. We could also go for the 7-year period, and it would be less than a cost with \$50,000 for the fiscal year 26, and \$50,000 for fiscal year 27. We will pay \$105,000 this year. It was moved by Dana Wrigley, seconded by David Groder, and voted 4-0 to go for the 5-year plan.
3. **Approval of Recycling License:** Nathan Smart Code Enforcement advised that council that we have a salvage car business that buys, titles and sells vehicles owned by Omar Alfaris and needs to have a recycling

license. He had one a couple of years ago but was not on the list last year to be renewed. This business is close to the school and needs the 300ft buffer. There have been no prior issues. Town Manager Kelly Pinney-Michaud asked if this would be good until the renewal of licenses in September? Nathan Smart stated yes. In order for us to proceed we would need to have a public hearing before they proceed to get their recycling license. Kelly Roderick asked if this was the same one she had spoken to him about? Mr. Smart stated yes, but he had spoken to the owner of the building, Edward Oliver, and he had bad tenants and has now cleaned it up. It was moved by Michael Perkins, seconded by Dana Wrigley, and voted 4-0 to have the public meeting for the recycling license.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **Axon Body Camera Special Town Meeting:** Town Manager informed the council that we will be having a special town meeting for the purchase of the Axon Body Cameras with AI on July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025. She asked for advice to move forward to pay for one year or full \$23,455 and wait for the grant to be approved, if not then put it in the budget for next year with \$24,255. It was moved by David Groder to go with the Town Manager's advice for the 1-year amount. It was seconded by Dana Wrigley and voted 3-1 to move forward.
2. **Wellness Program/MMA Funds:** Town Manager Kelly Pinney-Michaud informed that council that Cheryl Gould has now initiated the wellness program for the town employees. There are funds available through Maine Municipal to be used for such items as gym membership, etc. It was moved by Dana Wrigley, seconded by Kelly Roderick, and voted 4-0 to continue with the Wellness Program.
3. **Camden Wealth Management:** The Town Manager informed the council that she had a meeting with several individuals from the Camden Wealth Management team regarding our investments. She stated that we are doing quite well, and interest rates are still up. She asked if Cheryl Gould Finance Director could be added to this account as well. It was moved by Dana Wrigley, seconded by Kelly Roderick, and voted 4-0 to have Cheryl Gould added to the account.

David Groder asked the Town Manager for an update on Delta Ambulance. She stated that they have just purchased two new ambulances. They are running in the black. David explained that there was a mass casualty on the interstate and there were many high school students involved. Delta had two ambulances and only one went. He was concerned about this as we pay a lot of money for the services, and they do not show up.

It was moved by Kelly Roderick and seconded by Dana Wrigley to end the council meeting at 6:18pm and move into executive session.

The council entered the executive session at 6:20pm. 6:22 Dana Wrigley voted to come out of the executive session and Mike seconded the motion. 4-0 all were in favor.

**Adjourn:** It was motioned by Kelly Roderick, seconded by Dana Wrigley, and voted 4-0 to adjourn at 6:23pm.