

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **MINUTES**

#### **SELECTMEN MEETING**

**Pownalborough Hall**

**Mon. Nov. 27, 2017**

Began at 6:00 pm

PRESENT: Dale Hinote, Dwight Keene, Allan Moeller, Selectmen; Trudy Foss and Michael Henderson, Admin.; Gerald and Suzie Lilly, Shari and Pean Lilly, Fire Department; David Everson, residents; Alex Violo, reporter.

ITEM 1. APPROVE & SIGN MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - Dale Hinote motioned to approve the minutes. Dwight seconded the motion and all approved.

ITEM 2. APPROVE & SIGN PRESENT WARRANT - Allan motioned to approve the minutes. Dwight seconded the motion and all approved.

ITEM 3. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS / CITIZENS BUSINESS - The next Selectmen Meeting will be on Mon., Dec. 11, at Pownalborough Hall at 6:00 pm. Bill Mathews is leaving Dresden and there is a need for a new editor for the Communicator. Dwight was contacted by Dr. Bill about an illegal junk yard in Dresden. Allan recommended that Dr. Bill or any other such concerns be directed to the Town Office and the Code Enforcement Officer.

ITEM 4. LEGAL ISSUE – There has been no update from the Town’s legal counsel.

ITEM 5. FEMA – Receipts were submitted to FEMA by Wally Staples the EMA director on November 21, 2017.

#### **ITEM 8. GENERAL BUSINESS**

Town Roads - Allen had contacted Fairpoint and Time Warner Cable to remove trees that were still leaning on cable and telephone lines. The Town is in the market to purchase a generator for the Town office and Fire Station. EMS, Tony Blake, and a dealer in Wiscasset all sell generators. Gerald, the Assistant Fire Chief recommends an 1800kw generator. Also Cooper and Hickey are completing ditching on the Bog Road. Paving should be completed in the spring of 2018 on Bog Road. Brown Tree Services is cutting down trees that pose a safety hazard in the case of another storm for \$2000 - \$2200 a day. The work should only take about one day according to Allan. There is also a beaver infestation. It costs about \$200 to remove the beaver dam and several have been removed already. Allan knows a trapper in Richmond that will trap beavers for \$50.00 each.

Fire Dept. – This week, Steve, the Fire Chief removed about 20 gallons of water from the air compressor that had built up. Dwight asked if it would be worthwhile to move the compressor somewhere else. The consensus was that it would not help. Allan suggested changing the caps on

tires to reduce air pressure loss and that the air compressor is emptied more frequently. Allan is going to have the front alignment and springs looked at on Engine 3.

Solid Waste Issue – Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> E-Waste Collection – According to Dwight about 14,000lbs of e-waste was collected and kept from landfills by the local collection program.

Copier – The new Kyocera copier should cost \$20 a month less than the current Toshiba copier. Also there is a \$60 monthly savings on service and maintenance through the new contract. The Selectmen signed the Kyocera contract.

Town Email – Dale mentioned that he had spoken with Lauren Haven, the website manager, about getting a town email set up for Michael Henderson, the Administrative Assistant. The email address will be mhenderson@TownofDresden.com.

#### Any other General Business

Request from Ann to take credit cards at the office. Allan had taken the paperwork home and will bring it back at the next meeting on Dec. 11.

The Selectmen scheduled a Special Town Meeting on Dec. 11 at 7:00 pm at the Pownalborough Hall to decide if the Town can enter into the Maine Municipal Health Trust to provide benefits for full time employees.

Dale requested that Michael research the situation with the Gardiner Ambulance Service and schedule a meeting between them and the Board of Selectmen.

Meeting adjourned at 6:46 pm.

Approved by

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Dale Hinote

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Dwight Keene

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Allan Moeller Sr.

Board of Selectmen