

# Town of Mt. Vernon, Maine

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# Mt. Vernon Selectman's Minutes Date: 7-22-2019

Members Present: Trish Jackson, Paul Crockett (Chair), Clyde Dyar

Members Absent:

Present: Alexander Wright, Ron Lockwood, Mark Gilbert, Kerry Casey, Chris and Kathy Leone, Roger Peppard, Carole O'Connell

- 1. Signed Warrant.
- 2. Call to order:
- 3. 7:00 pm
- 4. Additions/adjustments to the Agenda:
- 5. <u>Action/Discussion/Informational Items</u>

# Open Regular Meeting and Accept Minutes from 07/08/2019

**Motion** to accept by Dyar seconded by Jackson **Motion** passed: unanimous

## Review/approve potential Transfer Station fee schedule changes

Crockett presented a new fee schedule for the Transfer Station to the Selectboard and the public. Crockett wants the public to know the town discourages the use of large plastic bags for non-commercial. There will also be fee increases for a couple of items at the Transfer Station. Crockett mentioned on August 15<sup>th</sup> or later in August, the town will notify people of the changes. On Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup> Transfer station

will have a meeting. Crockett brought up that we are now subsidizing recycling and the Transfer Station Committee will take the on this issue. O'Connell mentioned they are thinking of break up glass and toilets. O'Connell mentioned it to Lee Dunn, but his concern was DEP needs to approve this. Crockett mentioned this subject will be discussed at the next Transfer Station meeting. Dyar mentioned the idea of just having a bin for the glass and toilets, like Belgrade.

**Motion** by Crockett seconded by Dyar to approve the new fee schedule stipulating a notification to the public.

**Motion** passed unanimously

#### Tax Commitment, Assessors

Peppard presented the Mt Vernon Tax commitment options to the Selectboard. The Selectboard agreed with Peppard's recommendation of .01755. Peppard also spoke about tree growth and the process to take land out of tree growth and the penalties associated.

**Motion** by Dyar seconded by Crockett to accept a .01755 mil rate with a \$24,100.90 overlay

**Motion** passed: unanimous

### **AARP Challenge Grant**

Dyar, Tom Ward, and the CPC made the application for an AARP Challenge Grant for the tool library at the Community Center. Jackson talked about the aging committee is helping work in conjunction with the other committees to put this together.

# Winthrop contracts, Dispatch and Ambulance

Postponed to next meeting

#### Application for Catered Function

Lisa's Whites Catering is Catering to a private function in town.

**Motion** by Dyar and seconded by Jackson to approve Catered Function **Motion** passed: Unanimous

#### **Application for Holding Tank Installation**

Andrew Marble (Code Enforcement Officer) recommends accepting the application for a Holding Tank.

**Motion** by Crockett and seconded by Jackson to have the Chair sign the application **Motion** passed: Unanimous

#### Appointment of ACO

Tabled

#### Select Printer for August Newsletter

**Motion** by Crockett seconded by Dyar to use Copy Etc.

Motion passed: unanimous

# Discussion, Record disposal

Wright and Casey talked about the possibility of having a public fire at the Transfer Station to burn some old town records. Dyar was worried about any liability if we allow other people to burn their paper. Crockett mentioned they were going to look into a paper disposal company to remove the old paper. Crockett would like to delineate some of the old papers first then decide.

#### **Ordinance Reprint**

Wright mentioned that he had some questions in regards to the reprint. Crockett would like the updated version for the 2019 year to be published soon. Also, during the same year look into and start on a sectionalized 2020 Land Use Ordinance book.

#### Other Business

Leone, came in to talk more about the South Taylor rd. and the barriers they put up to discourage people from entering the abandoned part of the road.

Crockett mentioned that MMA conveyed some options and recommended to the town does not need to take any further action but reiterates that the road is a public easement and the public still has the right to traverse the road.

Donation for drudging of Minnihonk Lake, from the Community Partnership Program. Dyar mentioned having the chairman send a thank you letter to the CPC.

**Motion** by Dyar seconded by Crockett to accept the donation **Motion** passed: unanimous

Jackson talked about having the Governance and the Comprehensive Plan move forward and have the Governance committee schedule a meeting.

Dyar spoke about the possibility of having fireworks ordinances suggesting instituting a Constable position. Crockett mentioned that larger towns and some small towns have conditional ordinances for fireworks e.g. special holidays and certain times. Jackson suggested we should not inhibit ourselves to enact new ordinances because of the lack of possibility of enforced. Discussion about fireworks ordinances to be brought up at a later date. Dyar mentioned the Selectboard should formulate some new ordinance proposals for the Ordinance Review committee to work on this fall.

Crockett talked to Andy Dube about buying the roofing materials for the town and have Andy work on the Request For Proposal. Dyar mentioned metal roofing, Crockett responded that he would ask Andy to have both metal and shingle roofs priced out on the RFP.

**Motion** by Crockett seconded by Dyar to accept Andy Dube proposal and move forward on the work.

Motion passed: unanimous

6. Adjournment: 8:00pm