

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

MAY 14, 2024

MINUTES

Selectmen in Attendance: Dick Norcross, John Hicks and Frank Day.

Attendees: Fire Chief, Richard Perreault; Animal Control Officer, Cindy Eaton; Hailey Boudreau; Dana Forcier, Jr.; Brian Merrill; Code Enforcement Officer, Michael Vane; Vincent Lanovara; Deborah Tait; Public Works Director, Cliff Cousins; Tiffany Caswell; Vincent Carbone; Terry Egan; Dan Larson; Barbara Moulton; Jean Blake; Terry Blake; Elizabeth Coreliss; and Bruce Collins. Zoom: Cristin's iPad and 838.

Chairman, Dick Norcross called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and called for a Pledge of Allegiance.

John motioned, Frank second to approve the Minutes of May 7, 2024 Selectmen's Meeting. Voted unanimously by a show of hands.

Payroll (and Accounts Payable) have been approved.

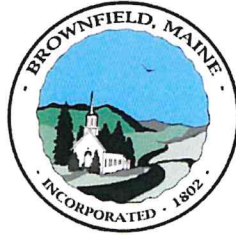
Elizabeth Coreliss lives in Porter and said, "thank you for everything you do for the town," she met to discuss concerns with the Old County Road beyond Charlotte O'Boyle's. The road is closed at Charlotte's, it was agreed that that section had been closed to maintenance for many years, she said that she maintains it and she just wanted everyone to know that she is there.

Barbara Moulton asked about the warrant and whether there would be an informational meeting on it, and what is the status on it. Dick said that they were going to finish up the warrant and it will be available as soon as it is posted. She asked about the new fire house, if we were going to look into a bond for it, Dick said a bond is not a good idea because you pay the full amount on the bond but with a regular note, you can pay it off early, he also said that the Fire Chief will be looking into other grants to help off-set it. Barbara also asked about something Hailey said last week, regarding the FBI case and information she had, Dick said, she has made a statement.

ACO, Cindy Eaton reported that she has been busy with cats and dogs. Barking Dog complaints, reports of fox, coyote and bob cats, being sited on Main Street. She is taking more training.

CEO, Michael Vane has done a few inspections and issued final occupancy permits.

PWD, Cliff Cousins reported complaints on the Community Building in regards to painting the outside and wants to know what they are going to do about it? Dick suggested a paint party. Cliff asked Frank what he thinks and Frank said the Public Works is responsible for



maintenance on all town buildings and explained the process of getting a proposal and putting it out to bid so everyone is bidding on the same thing. There was talk about a paint party and/or bids. Terry Egan stated that they purchased a couple of trees (Red Maples) to be planted at the Community Center and asked for help to plant them, Dick said talk to Cliff. Cliff asked about the orange container because he wants to buy it. Frank motioned, John second to sell the orange container to Cliff for \$499.00. It was voted unanimously by a show of hands. Cliff asked if he can deal with Robby Drew for the Phen Hill Stream project. A sign that was not posted by the public works will be removed. Frank asked if Cliff has any plans to do any dust control explaining the dust is bad in the area that he put the crushed reclaimed asphalt. Cliff asked Frank what would he do and how often? Frank said he would put liquid calcium on the road and watch it, Cliff said he does have plans to do it. Dick asked if the ramp that he was asked to do last week at the Community Building was done. Cliff said they have not done it. He has quotes on paving it. Dick and Frank said in the meeting last week they told him to talk to Trafford. Bruce asked about brush that someone had cut on Misty Lane and Depot Street so Dick asked Cliff to clean it up. He agreed to do so.

Fire Chief, Dicky Perreault had five medical calls; Met with FEMA officials from Washington DC, for the April storm and we have \$66,000 coming. He still has paperwork to finish for the Shape Program and that he will be doing building inspections tomorrow.

Cliff provided proposals from D&L Disposal, LLC. They will charge \$6.50 per unit on all refrigerators, air conditioners, humidifiers, etc. He said we are paying \$13.00 per unit now. Dick motioned, John second to accept D&L Disposal. Vote unanimous by show of hands.

Cliff provided proposals from D&R Paving & Sealcoating for sealing the Town Hall Parking lot: \$4,500; and another quote from D&R Paving for paving the parking lot with 3" of asphalt compacted to approx. 2" for \$41,900; " a seal coat for 3212 sq ft for \$1,600; repave under canopy \$2,000 total all total \$45,500.00. Cliff was told that these jobs need to be put out to bid.

Frank asked if anyone knows what happened to the grade-all bucket at the Public Works. Dick said that Brian sold it. Frank said we need an inventory of what we have so that kind of thing doesn't happen.

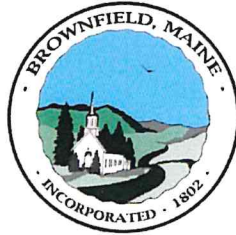
Dick stated that the Broadband contract is still pending a response from Shelley Winchenbach.

Frank said he is interested in attending ECO Maine's annual meeting on June 20, 2024. Vinny asked about the contract and whether there are any other options? Bruce asked about having a monthly statement from what is taken in financially at the transfer station.

The Public Safety Building Meeting will be on May 23, @ 7:00 AM.

Deb Tait asked about a correspondence from Ron Smith and if it is public or does she have to go through FOIA. The Board agreed that it is okay for her to get it.

Dick responded on a letter received from Dan Grobowski wanting tax relief for the period of covid 19 saying that no one else got tax relief.



John motioned, Frank second for an executive session for personnel issues. Voted unanimously by show of hands.

The Board went into a review of the proposed Warrant for Town Meeting. The Public Works carry over amount should have the words "up to" added. The Code Enforcement Office budget was not reviewed by the Budget Committee through an over-sight by all. John's motion and Frank's second to recommend the article was voted unanimously by a show of hands. The article for the fitness center will have the words, "up to \$10,000" added. The article to charge interest will be the percentage amount the state allows. The article that raised \$422,358.50 last year for the Community Center possible grant was not used and John wants to give it back to the people, Franks suggests to let it go to surplus and it was agreed as long as we explain what happened to the money. After discussion on the land-use articles it was agreed that they can sign it or not, they are just putting it before the town to allow the people to decide.

John motioned, Frank second to adjourn. Voted unanimously by a show of hands.

The meeting adjourned at 6:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Alvina Day, Administrative Assistant