

Garland Select Board
April 12, 2023
Meeting Minutes

1. Opening Ceremonies:

- a. R. Fick called the meeting to order at 6:00pm
- b. R. Fick, J. Sears and D. Howell present and represent a quorum. L. Keefe and N. Moody present.
- c. R. Fick motioned to accept the agenda as presented with one add-on. J. Sears seconded. All Approved.

2. Public Comments: Present were S. Giles, E. Hummel, D. Wilson, L. Dumont, S. Berryhill and Y. Burrill.

R. Fick motioned to open to public comments at 6:02pm. Seconded by J. Sears – all approved. Ed Hummel addressed the Select Board regarding discussion of LD2003 pertaining to a Municipality requirement for drafting an ordinance related to building for density growth. This was discussed at the planning board meeting on 4/11/23. Phil Stevens, CEO, was present and recommended a Land Use Ordinance which would cover this issue and others that may need to be addressed. PB is asking if the Select Board would like them to pursue this type of ordinance?

D. Howell stated that LD2003 probably does not pertain to Garland as we do not have public sewer/water systems or other infrastructure to protect. L. Keefe replied that LD2003 reads as “all municipalities” currently.

It is the consensus of the Select Board that the Planning Board and CEO should continue discussions on drafting a Land Use Ordinance to address LD2003, Tiny Homes and other issues that they and the CEO have encountered this past year.

R. Fick motioned to close to public comments at 6:20pm. J. Sears seconded – all approved.

3. Consent Agenda – R. Fick read to record the items presented. L. Keefe will register for the Personnel Practices Class on May 3rd (zoom) R. Fick will attend if her schedule allows. R. Fick motioned to accept the consent agenda items as presented. J. Sears seconded – all approved.

4. Motion to Discuss:

- a. Lynn Dumont thanked R. Fick and L. Keefe for their guidance and information. Also thanked D. Howell for his help in having the National Guard supply a helicopter, trucks, and parade attendance for Garland Days – he said it looks promising.

Lynn asked the Select Board if rental fees for use of the Community Building and Field will be waived for their fund-raising events? The Select Board stated that fees would not be charged as they are a Town recognized committee. Lynn is to schedule events in advance through L. Keefe for use. Lynn provided an overview of what the Committee has arranged or is checking on for the Garland Days event. Organizations seem to be excited about participating.

J. Sears asked about the electric and plumbing for repairs. N. Moody said that C&D Electric in Dexter has stated they will provide a quote. He has not heard back from the other two vendors and will follow-up with calls next week. N. Moody to get a list of plumbing vendors from L. Keefe.

Lynn said that the Off-Road Redemption center reports a collected amount of \$110 in donated redeemable to date. Lynn said they will send money to the Town Office every 2 months or every quarter. L. Keefe replied quarterly was fine but to make sure December collections were to the office before December 31st.

S. Giles recommended putting up a redeemable donation box at the Town Office or at the Old Town Office for those who don't go to the transfer station or past the Redemption Center.

- b. R. Fick motioned to accept the March 22, 2023, meeting minutes with an edit made to "f", change Committee to Trustees. J. Sears Seconded. All Approved.
- c. Select Board signed the corrected oath as voted on at the March 22, 2023, meeting.
- d. R. Fick motioned to set the Employee Mandatory training day for August 16, 2023, beginning at 9am and to close the office for training until 1:30pm. Seconded by J. Sears. All approved. R. Fick motioned to have L. Keefe confirm Jason Johnson, MMA Risk Management for the morning session. Seconded by J. Sears, all approved. L. Keefe to reach out to Jonathan Pottle for Harassment and possibly other reviews.
- e. N. Moody states he looked at the trucks that R. Higgins has. They are all wheelers. N. Moody will call Mr. Higgins for prices. N. Moody to research cost and availability for winter rental for next meeting.
- f. R. Fick motioned to have L. Keefe confirm with Corey Hill for inmate work crews for roadside clean-up and brush cutting. Seconded by J. Sears, all approved.
- h. no further discussion needed.
- g. Discussed those interested in being on the budget committee (6) still need one more person. L. Keefe will confirm with all to get the oaths for Select Board approval/signatures.
- i. Discussion regarding the CDARS at Androscoggin Bank (ARPA funds). R. Fick motioned to roll the CDARS maturing on April 20, 2023, into a 3-month CDARS at 2.9% interest. Seconded by J. Sears, all approved.

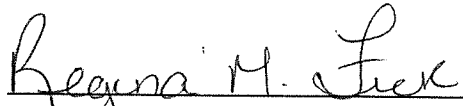
CDARS maturing in August is at a low rate. L. Keefe to ask Lena Hann if we withdraw it early to reinvest in a higher rate CDARS at either 3 months or 6 months, are we able to put \$5500 in the flexible checking account and then roll the remaining balance to a CDARS. Will report back at next meeting. L. Keefe to reach out to R. Goings for Broadband update.
- j. Shanna Webb, ACO, called in to the Select Board meeting to discuss a dangerous dog situation. She states the DA is not willing to go back to court unless there is evidence that the dog is still at the residence. If someone makes a written statement with proof, it can be brought to the ACO to bring to the DA. This person already has a stack of unpaid fines with the court, and they are not pursuing the matter.

Neighbors have been notified that the dog has not been destroyed. One neighbor said they saw her walking the dog with no muzzle. She does have another dog that looks just like the one declared dangerous.

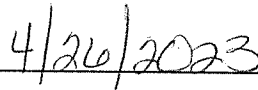
Mr. Hallam was advised that if a dog is attacking his livestock, he can dispatch the dog, but the dog must be in the act, not just on the property or running away. All neighbors made calls to the DA's office and were given the Victim Advocates number. Some say they will follow up with a call to the County Commissioners Office to voice a complaint.

R. Fick motioned to adjourn the Select Board meeting at 8:02pm. Seconded by J. Sears, all approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Regina Fick, Select Board Chair



Date



John Sears, Select Board

David Howell, Select Board

