# Garland Select Board Meeting Minutes January 22, 2025, at 6:00pm 108 Corinth Rd

## 1. Opening Ceremonies:

- a. R. Fick called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.
- b. R. Fick, N. Watson & T. Scott attended for a quorum of the Select Board. L. Keefe, Office Administrator and. K. Trafton, Highway Foreman, attended.
- R. Fick motioned to accept the agenda as read. Second by N. Watson. N. Watson &
  T. Scott vote Aye.

#### 2. Public Comment:

Public Attending: J. Tierinni, S. Berryhill, S. Kimball, S. Giles, K. Keefe, B. Scott, E. Fick, P. Devine, A. Clay, K. Speed, J. Fick, D. McCaw, D. Kusnierz.

R. Fick motioned to open to public comment at 6:01pm. Second by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott vote Aye. As there were no public comments, R. Fick motioned to close to public comment at 6:04pm. Second by T. Scott. T. Scott & N. Watson vote Aye.

### 3. Consent Agenda:

R. Fick motioned to accept the consent agenda items as presented. Second by T. Scott. T. Scott & N. Watson vote Aye.

#### 4. Motions/Discussions:

- a. Daniel McCaw, Penobscot Indian Nation, provided an update on what projects can be covered through his current available funding. The Millet Bridge doesn't qualify as the condition of the bridge does not present a barrier for fish passage. He did look at the map sites for five culverts: Otis Brook on Oliver Hill, Burnham Brook on Campbell, Burnham Brook on Center and two culverts on Service Brook on Campbell. All these locations are part of the Kenduskeag Watershed and provide good fish habitat. The Select Board agrees to have these five culvert locations submitted on Mr. McCaw's grant plan. L. Keefe will update the letter of support and email it to Mr. McCaw.
- b. R. Fick, N. Watson & T. Scott attended the Exeter Select Board meeting on 1/21 as they were discussing Ken Speed's Road. Exeter Select Board has stated they will build up Exeter's side and build a turnaround if we open our small section of the road. R. Fick motioned to place an article to open Ken Speed's Road back up as a municipal road and to accept it into Garland inventory. Second by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott vote Aye.
- c. R. Fick said Truck 9 continues to have problems with leaking coolant. A chain broke but we should be able to repair it. It is not holding up to plowing hours. S. Kimball

and N. Watson looked at a 10-wheeler in Kenduskeag. It doesn't have a dustpan, but we have one that should fit it. The asking price is \$25,000. The truck owner brought it to our highway garage so our mechanics could look it over. J. Fick states it needs minimal repairs to be put in service. It needs a new windshield. E. Fick agrees the truck is worth the asking price. S. Kimball said the owner takes care of his equipment and agrees it is a good deal.

- R. Fick motioned that we use \$19,000 from the Town Equipment Reserve account. We budgeted \$15,000 in the 2025 budget for #9 for repairs. It is proposed that the remaining \$6,000 come from that line. The seller would need to agree to receive the larger payment at the time of the sale with the remaining payment sent after March town meeting. Second by N. Watson. N. Watson votes Aye; T. Scott voted Nay. R. Fick votes Aye. Motion carried.
- d. R. Fick motioned to have our public works department assist Scott Eastman by providing material from our town pit for a turnaround on the Avenue and Exeter Roads. Second by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott vote Aye.
- e. R. Fick motioned to approve and sign the December 18, 2024, meeting minutes as presented. Second by N. Watson. N. Watson & R. Fick vote Aye.
- f. R. Fick motioned to approve and sign the January 8, 2025, meeting minutes as presented. Second by T. Scott. T. Scott & N. Watson vote Aye.
- g. R. Fick motioned to schedule a workshop with the highway foreman, L. Keefe and the select board to discuss the SafetyWorks! Report to resolve the corrections needed for February 5, 2025, at 5:00pm at the town office. Second by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott vote Aye.
- h. R. Fick motioned to approve the edits made by the Planning Board and by the Select Board for the Mobile Vending Ordinance and for the Recreational Vehicle and Shelter Ordinance. Second by T. Scott. T. Scott & N. Watson vote Aye.
- R. Fick motioned to approve the transfer of \$3589.78 from the 2024 Highway Budget to the 2024 Transfer Station budget to cover the shortfall. Second by T. Scott. T. Scott & N. Watson vote Aye.
- j. We currently pay \$210 for Bolster's to deliver to Dexter. Dexter will be increasing the cost by \$46 for a new cost of \$256. The cost for Bolster's to deliver directly to Norridgewock is \$295. L. Keefe to ensure we are not being charged twice by Bolsters (to Dexter, then to Norridgewock).
- k. skipped as already discussed.
- l. R. Fick motioned to move the regularly scheduled Select Board meeting from 2/12/25 to 2/5/25 at 6:00pm, to allow time for final review of the warrant articles and budget revisions to go to print in the annual report. Second by T. Scott. T. Scott & N. Watson vote Aye.

#### m. 2025 budget review:

SB approved adding \$1150 to the community building budget for paint and window treatments.

SB approved adding \$1050 to the highway budget for a sweeper.

R. Fick motioned to proceed with a bond warrant for paving. L. Keefe to get a quote from B&B Paving for the section of Oliver Hill not previously quoted. Second by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott vote Aye.

5. R. Fick motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:05pm. Second by T. Scott. T. Scott & N. Watson vote Aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Regina Fick, Select Board Chair

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Nova Watson, Select Board Member

Teresa Scott, Select Board Member

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