**Selectboard’s Business Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, June 28, 2023**

**Pike Hall at 5:00 PM**

1. Call to order: 5:00 PM
2. Roll call
   1. Dan Sherman, Jessica Larson, David Pike – Selectboard
   2. Monique Guptill – Town Clerk, Dee Hartford – Deputy Clerk
3. Executive Session
   1. There was a motion to go into executive session 1 M.R.SA. §405(6)(D) at 5:05PM, all in favor
   2. There was a motion to come back into the business meeting 1 M.R.SA. §405(6)(D) at 5:30PM, all in favor
4. Cole Rd – 530PM
   1. The Town of Cornish stands behind original decision stated at SBM held on June 14, 2023 that “All Selectboard Members voted to do nothing and be free of obstruction until this is resolved”
5. ARF
   1. Renee Payeur
      1. Multiple requests – All Selectboard Members approved them all
   2. Calista Cross
      1. Discuss advertisement to get a committee together to rename the Depot Bridge – Calista Cross withdrew her original request and agreed to move forward with doing a petition
      2. Can the new road by Sofia’s be named – Calista was advised the road is a State Road
      3. Whoopie Pie Festival in Cornish
6. Use of Town Property
   1. Sharon Beever – Studio II Beatles Band (SRFA)
      1. Approved with Certificate of Insurance on file
      2. Received Certificate of Insurance and updated deposit check for $250
   2. Sharon Beever – Summer Bandstand Concerts ONLY IF IT RAINS (SRFA)
      1. Approved with Certificate of Insurance on file
7. Unfinished Business
   1. Calista Cross
      1. Discuss advertisement to get a committee together – withdrew request and will be moving forward with doing a petition
   2. (TABLE) FEMA Grant (Back Street)
      1. Jess will follow up with Bob Sturgeon
   3. (TABLE) Road traffic sign for East & West directions on Rt 25 between 21 Maple St & 12 Main St
      1. Jess will draft a letter to have Chris Calnan, Cornish Fire Chief, sign
8. New Business
   1. Board of Appeals – Meeting on 6/19/23 regarding Kyle Jordan’s setbacks
   2. Old School Street – road blockage concerns
      1. Jess will connect with CEO, Dan Vaillancourt
   3. Rt 25/S. Hiram Rd @ Midway Motel
      1. Schedule meeting after project is completed
      2. Michael McKinney advised he no longer wants to move his sign, just wants to know who will be responsible for mowing
   4. Bank interest – Monique
      1. Increase from 1.30% to 2.00% for 12 months
      2. Schedule 2024 mtg before 12 months ends
   5. 2024 Proposed Budget
      1. Jess was unable to attend
   6. (TABLE) Efficiency Maine special offers for small towns
      1. Emailed Tom Berry asking for a list of items covered
   7. Boundary Survey – Map U3 Lot 40 (2 High Rd)
      1. Notification letter to abutters
   8. ECOmaine Contract expiring 8/31/2023
      1. Jess reviewed, no rate per ton provided, revised contract will be emailed once the new rate is provided
   9. LD 1706
      1. An Act to clarify Statewide Laws regarding affordable housing
         1. Extended laws for small towns until July 1, 2024
   10. Sealcoating quotes
       1. Answer to Casey is tentatively no until Chris speaks to Scott to confirm if funds are available in this year’s budget
   11. Quote from Shamos/Casey – 20 Industrial Way
       1. $7000 available in acct / need approx. $6000
       2. Motion to accept Casey’s quote approved by all Selectboard Members
   12. Bridge Closure Notice
       1. Bridge is officially closed as of June 14, 2023
   13. Tri-Town Fee Structure
       1. Jess will go to meetings to see if they will agree to allow Cornish residents to utilize transfer station (no household items allowed) and if so, does the Town of Cornish have to do a road study?
   14. (TABLE) Appointment for Sub-registrar
       1. Chad Poitras
   15. Join Parsonsfield for hazardous waste pickup – Paint, etc.
       1. Spoke with James Obrien regarding Clean Harbor doing the hazardous waste pickup and gave him a Town business card and my name to respond to
   16. 2023/2024 Winter Salt Bid
   17. (TABLE) Fence along Westerly lot line at Pike Hall
       1. David will check property marker next to abutters garage
   18. (TABLE) Tipping Fees for Pine Tree (Casella)
       1. David will check with Steve Mellen for other tipping fee options
       2. Dan was advised by Town Mgr in North Berwick that Casella is the cheaper route at this time
   19. (TABLE) Oil & Propane
       1. Dee sent out emails to the following:
          1. Dead River - $1.80 / gal
          2. Dodge Oil
          3. Fabian – provided add’l info on 5/11/2023 and waiting for response
          4. JP Carroll – called Sean again, left vmm / no response as of 545pm on 6/15
          5. Downeast - #2 is $3.05 / gal & Propane is $1.55 / gal
          6. Irving - $1.39
          7. CN Brown
          8. Irving – Propane is fixed $1.349 / Variable $1.308 and #2 is Fixed $2.868 / Variable $2.670
   20. Road Salt
       1. Bid from Eastern Salt Company – rejected on 6/7/23
   21. Planning Board
       1. Oath completed for Ryan Lane who is now an Associate Planning Board Member
   22. Sam Gilpatrick - Purchasing a truck for Forestry through the Maine Forestry Service
       1. 7 ton, year 2000 or newer, approved by all Selectboard Members, application signed, copy made for town records and original provided to Sam Gilpatrick
9. Public Comments

Adjourned @ 8:30 PM

Approved by Selectboard:

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Daniel Sherman

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Jessica Larson

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David Pike