

Town of Sebec BOS Meeting Minutes

June 5, 2023

Meeting called to order at 4:09 PM

Present: Donald Rush, Wayne Nason, Walter Emmons, Sara Torbett, Gail Januskiewicz, Carol Cress, Mike Harris and Emery Pelletier

Guests: none

May 15, 2023 minutes reviewed.

****Walt motioned to approve the minutes and Don 2nd. Motion passed.

Town Clerk:

- Handed in the Counter traffic report

Treasurer/Tax Collector Apprentice:

- TRIO payroll module was installed today and it is ready to go for July 1st. Paystubs will print on the check stubs.
- Checking accounts are balanced through April 2023. Lois Jones will be coming tonight to help with May. Looking into consolidating the accounts to have all the cash flow into one.

Road Commissioner – Emery Pelletier:

- Wayne brought up a complaint from someone on the Old Brownville Rd. He said that the company who was doing the roadside cutting was cutting his trees. Wayne told the person that OBR has a right of way that is 4 rods total, 2 rods each side from center of road. Basically, 33' from center of road is town right of way.
- Emery went out to the complaint on the Downs Rd. for a knocked down mailbox by the roadside cutters. He advised them to raise the mailbox to the right height.
- Emery checked the cracks on the Moulton Hill Rd. and he did not see any problems at this time.
- Emery put down calcium chloride on the Old Brownville Rd., Ladd Rd., Tower Rd., and Downs Rd. He ran out after 49 bags and suggests we should order more to have on hand for next time.
- There was more discussion about culverts that was reviewed at the Road Maintenance Seminar.
- Emery asked what should be done about the River Rd. sections 1 and 2 quote for \$171,855. Section 2 will be \$92,610 about 4,200 ft. Emery said section 1 is worse. He thinks we should do both sections at one time \$3 a ton difference. If they don't fill the pot holes, Emery will get hot top and fill them.
- Discussion about the Downs Rd. culverts where the road was washing out. DEP will talk to the land owner and Jason.

- On June 7th there will be a meeting with Jim from DOT about the bridges. He and Emery will go look at them to see how to handle them. May be able to get grant money to fix them.

Fire Chief - Mike Harris:

- The garage door was installed and it came in under the estimate at \$6,735
- Truck #322 was delivered to the shop – no update yet. The County has been informed that we are down a truck.
- Mike picked up 3 new pagers last week, so there will be a bill for those.
- They had 7 calls in 5 days. Mayo is asking us about first responders, Mike doesn't want to get into doing that. The firefighters are CPR certified. The County is discussing a 1st responder class. No town in Piscataquis County has a contract with Northern Light Mayo ambulance. Mike suggested that maybe we could sign a mutual aid agreement with Milo and Brownville for 1st responders.
- Walt will check on the compressor at the Firs Station because it is still tripping the breaker.
- Mike said there was not enough stuff at the Farrell Foundation to make the trip to NY, but one of the firemen is going down there this week and he will check. He will also meet with a grant writer while in NY.
- The monthly FD meeting will be the 1st Tuesday of the month. The last Tuesday of the month they will be doing training with the trucks.
- Mike looked into used trucks and he said a minimum of \$150,000 for a 1,000-1,500 gallon tanker.
- Mike will start working on a budget. He is still concerned that the budget will be more than normal due to the negligence in the upkeep of the Fire Station, equipment and trucks. Firefighter Payroll will be submitted this month.
- SFD will be hosting a Basic Fire Class in August.

Tax Collector/Treasurer:

- Cannabis man decided not to pursue the issue
- Handed in Warrant and Expense Detail
- Gave RJD Appraisal contract. Total \$81,500
- BOS signed supplemental tax warrant
- BOS signed BMV Agent paperwork for Sara to become BMV Agent
- BOS will have Gail Januskiewicz added to all Bank Accounts: ie: Maine Savings, Skowhegan Savings, Maine Highlands, Bangor Federal Credit Union and Ameriprise

**** *Walt made a Motion to the above with Gail Januskiewicz to be incoming Treasurer. Wayne 2nd, unanimous vote.*

**** *A motion was made to adjourn by Wayne. Don 2nd. Motion Passed*

Meeting Adjourned 7:11 PM