**TOWN OF LIVERMORE**

**Board of Selectpersons**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**September 28, 2021**

**6:30 PM**

**BOARD:** SCOTT RICHMOND, MARK CHRETIEN, RANDY OUELLETTE, BRETT DEYLING

**DEPT HEADS:** AARON MILLER, ROGER FERLAND

**RESIDENTS/GUESTS:**

**PRESS:** PAM HARNDEN

**Meeting**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Minutes

September 14, 2021

Brett motioned to approve, seconded by Randy 4-0.

1. Administrative Report

*MMA Convention*

Aaron reported this week he will be attending the Maine Municipal Association Convention.

Topics include discussion on civility in governance, attracting people to your community, managing investments, general assistance, economics, essential services, fire department liability and an update on the American Rescue Plan Act.

*Meeting with Appeals Board*

Aaron met with Brett and two planning board members Sept. 27 with Peggy Dwyer, chair of the town’s Appeals board. He said the workshop was held on the appeals process and a general round-table discussion about the town’s ordinances, focusing on variances and how the Appeals Board and Planning Board play roles in applications for development. He said he plans to revisit the town’s comprehensive plan and look at what the town’s expectations are for development.

*American Rescue Plan Act*

Aaron announced that the Town of Livermore has been approved to receive $223,799 through the American Rescue Plan Act. He advised the board to put this money in an interest bearing account and there should be discussion about what to do with the funds.

*Safety Grant*

Aaron reported the grant he applied for through Maine Municipal Association for $2,246 was approved. This will cover 100-percent of the cost to purchase five backup cameras for the snowplow fleet. The grant must be used by Oct. 1, 2022 or it will be withdrawn.

1. Highway Foreman

*Ford*

Roger reported the Ford was brought to Quirk where he heard they thought they found the problem, but were waiting on a specialist.

*Shoulder work*

Scott motioned to hire CH Stevenson for 50 cents a foot with the town providing the gravel. Scott said the town shouldn’t use more than 1,000 yards a gravel. Mark said that the total cost would be around $36,000, seconded by Mark; 4-0.

1. New Business
	1. *Employee Illness*

Aaron presented a three-page document that explains employee, supervisor responsibilities for returning to work from an illness such as Covid-19. The document was based on CDC guidelines.

Brett said that his concern is that the town would be asking people to get tested, which is no longer free. Mark said he believes the town needs guidance on, for example, what to do if a spouse tests positive for Covid.

The board agreed that the town’s recommendation to employees is to see a physician. If the employee has not tested positive but a family member has, then the town would request the employee to wear a mask to work.

* 1. *Abatements*

 Brett motioned, seconded by Scott; 4-0 to approve the following:

* U18-009-A – Abate acreage assessed on abutting lot - $21,850 valuation
* R12-015 – Abate daughter’s new home - $229,303 valuation
* R12-015-A – Supplement new home - $229,303 valuation
* R01-042 – Abate pricing error on home - $28,834 valuation

1. Old Business
	1. *Boston Post Cane*

Brett motioned to install the cane on a plaque to be placed on display at the town office and order a replica for the oldest resident; seconded by Scott; 4-0.

* 1. *Inside Out bars*

Aaron reported a certified letter has been mailed to Nick and Karen Ashmore ordering bars to be installed on windows per town ordinance.

1. Executive Session - 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A) Personnel Matters

Brett motioned to enter executive session, seconded by Scott, 4-0, at 7:03 p.m.

Brett motioned to exit executive session, seconded by Scott, 4-0.

Brett motioned to allow Roger Ferland up to 280 hours of sick time until those house are exhausted, second by Scott; 4-0.

1. Other

Brett asked Aaron to send Brett FOAA information.

1. Sign Warrants
2. Adjournment

Scott motioned to adjourn, seconded by Brett; 4-0, 7:14 p.m.