# TOWN OF LIVERMORE

# **Board of Selectpersons**

# **MEETING MINUTES**

September 17, 2018 6:30 PM

BOARD: MARK CHRETIEN, SCOTT RICHMOND, WAYNE TIMBERLAKE, BEN GUILD, TOM

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DEPT HEADS: ROGER FERLAND, JUANITA JORDAN-BRYANT, AMY BYRON

**RESIDENTS: DWIGHT HINES** 

PRESS: PAM HARNDEN

### Meeting

1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

- 3. Approval of Minutes September 4, 2018
  - a. Scott made the motion to accept the minutes as presented; Second by Wayne
  - b. VOTE: unanimous
- 4. Reports:
  - a. Town Clerk Report RENDA
    - i. NONE
  - b. Highway Foreman Report ROGER
    - i. Roger reported the Highway Department has worked 2 3 days @ the Transfer Station on the concrete pad. They added almost 2 feet elevation on one corner and it is still not level. They need to go back and finish up.
    - ii. They handled a complaint of brush/trees sticking out into the roadway on Hinkley Road. They spent 3 days removing brush/trees on the left hand side of the road hauling 7 dump truck loads of brush. They started applying cold mix on Hinkley Road today.
    - iii. The Volvo is at O'Connors. The truck derated. Murray's was called and the technician couldn't get it to burn off. Roger is waiting for a diagnosis. As they are down to one truck (a single axle) and need to spread cold mix, Roger hired Adam Castonguay for tomorrow. (He also has a grader and a roller rented...)
    - iv. Beavers are creating more issues on Strickland Ferry Road. The water is backing up and could wash out part of the road. Roger spoke with Game Warden Harry Weigman and was referred to a State biologist.
    - v. Roger has met with Spencer Paving to get quotes on finishing up around the pad at the Fire Station, Norton Road, and hill on Butter Hill Road. He hopes they will be starting in early October.
    - vi. No update on Volvo purchase
  - c. Treasurer Report AMY

- i. Amy reported September Excise Tax collected to be \$13,870.45, which is 44% of the monthly goal. We are still ahead of average for year-to-date collections.
- ii. Amy has forwarded some additional information to MMA regarding the Tax Acquired Property. Once they have had a chance to review everything, they will advise on the best course of action to dispose of the property.
- iii. As of today, there are 29 Liens for 2017 Real Estate Taxes totaling \$23, 270.73. There are 82 Liens for 2018 Real Estate Taxes totaling \$68,918.29. Twelve accounts have been paid off since the last meeting.
- iv. 2019 Real Estate Tax bills hit the mailboxes in this past week. The office has fielded a lot of phone calls and payments are starting to come in.

## d. Administrative Report - AMY

- i. The front office still continues to experience issues with the computer system, although it has been slightly better than at first. Both Expenet and Harris are aware of the issues and are watching logs to determine the cause of the errors.
- ii. Amy reported that Landowner Relations Day with IFW went well. The volunteers that turned out filled the roll off container and collected approximately 50 tires. We hope to do it again in the future.
- iii. Amy attended an MMA Workshop on Friday morning to learn about Online University. It is a free service that locates all the required annual training in one place and allows tracking by the Administrator. MMA will be contacting the office to schedule the set-up.

#### 5. Old Business

- a. Update on Tax Acquired Property Bids
  - i. \*see above\*
- b. Update on Concrete Pad Project Transfer Station
  - i. \*see above\*
  - ii. Mark stated the forms are in; the Highway Department is going to adjust the level and compact it. Livermore Concrete will pour soon.

### 6. New Business

- a. Ben Guild:
  - i. Ben notified the Board that the Fire Department got a Poland Spring grant for water.
  - ii. They have two more grants out for gear
  - iii. He is obtaining a quote for radios for the trucks for the Highway Department & Fire Department. He should have more information by December.

#### 7. Public Comment

- a. Dwight Hines:
  - i. Good to pursue grants ©
  - ii. Mr. Hines is concerned about public records most recently Dog Complaints he filed. He feels they aren't being handled. He reminded the Board they are the ultimate authority and responsible party.
  - iii. Amy noted that Mr. Hines had previously filed complaints and was pleased with the way it was handled. This latest complaint was not handled by the Sheriff's Office. (It happened over the weekend and no one was aware of the complaint until Monday morning. The email complaint was forwarded to Rich Burton, ACO.) Amy gave Mr. Hines contact information for the Androscoggin Sheriff's Office should he have another emergency over the weekend or when the office is closed.
  - iv. Mr. Hines noted a change in the way abuse cases are being handled. There has been a shift from preserving families to protecting children.

- v. He also stated that there is renewed interest in Nursing School programs. It should result in an increase in the number of programs which is a positive influence for communities.
- 8. Executive Session 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A) Personnel Matters

6:57 PM

- a. Wayne made the motion to enter Executive Session; Second by Tom
- b. VOTE: unanimous

7:02 PM

- c. Mark made the motion to exit Executive Session; Second by Scott
- d. VOTE: unanimous

→ Hire Bernie Langlin @ the same rate of pay as Jim Bryant, to start Tuesday, 9/18. The Board authorized Juanita to order the appropriate safety gear

a. Wayne made the motion; Second by Ben

**VOTE:** unanimous

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

7:06 PM

- a. Wayne made the motion to enter Executive Session; Second by Tom
- b. VOTE: unanimous

7:12 PM

- c. Mark made the motion to exit Executive Session; Second by Wayne
- d. VOTE: unanimous
- → No decision
- 10. Adjourn

7:15 PM

- a. Mark made the motion to adjourn; Second by Ben
- b. VOTE: unanimous