Minutes Select Board Meeting – Hastings Community Center Thursday, September 23, 2021 6:00 PM

Kimberly Clarke Thomas Klinepeter

James Dutton
Thomas Kingsbury

Kingsbury called the Select Board Meeting to order and declared a quorum. He offered condolences to the Hancock County Deputy that killed in the line of duty. He also thanked all first responders for putting themselves in harm's way.

The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Clarke made a motion to approve the August 12, 2021 Meeting Minutes, which was seconded by Dutton and passed unanimously.

Dutton made a motion to approve the September 9, 2021 Meeting Minutes, which was seconded by Klinepeter and passed 3-0-1 (Clarke was not present at the meeting so she abstained).

Clarke made a motion to approve the September 20, 2021 Meeting Minutes as amended, which was seconded by Klinepeter. Clarke provided different language that should be in the second to last line of the minutes. This led to debate about Klinepeter's closing comments at that meeting. Clarke commented on her surprise of Klinepeter's comments and think that they should be on the record. This led to a discussion about the MDOT meeting specifics and efforts to advocate for change. Klinepeter stated for the record that he is good if MDOT revises the curbing design as the town requested and he is also good if left the way it is. He noted that the Town will likely receive a response from the governor based on the MDOT Commissioners visit and that he will respect that. The motion to approve the amended minutes failed with a 1-3 vote (Clarke for, Dutton, Kingsbury, Klinepeter against). Klinepeter made a motion to approve the minutes as written, which was seconded by Dutton and passed 3-1 (Dutton, Kingsbury, Klinepeter for, Clarke against). Clarke stated that she will not sign the minutes.

The bids for tax acquired property (Map 44, Lot 18) were opened and the results were as follows:

Bid	Name		
\$52,250	Jessica Dodge		
\$50,000	David & Gena Broyer		
\$21,000	Colleen Thompson, Peter Wilkens		
\$13,000	Jonathan & Cynthia Edwards		
\$16,776	Lorne Emery		

Klinepeter made a motion to award the property to the highest bidder, which was seconded by Clarke and passed unanimously.

Department Head Reports: Chief Mick had nothing vital to report.

Klinepeter made a motion to sign Notice of Public Hearing on Secret Ballot Referendum, which was seconded by Dutton and passed unanimously.

Dutton made a motion to accept \$2,750 for a Library ARPA Grant, which was seconded by Clarke and passed unanimously.

The Select Board was provided with the final Weston's Beach Recreational Study, which was completed as part of an internship. Clarke commented that the report confirms that weekends are high usage and that there is a low percentage of users from Fryeburg on weekends. She thinks many locals go mid-week. Kingsbury commented about alcohol usage. Chief Mick was asked if the police were at the beach often and he said that dogs on the beach is one of the most frequent complaints. Klinepeter noted his specifics observations from when he volunteered to assist with the surveying; there was trash present and stinky porta-potties by Saturday evening and tubers seemed to be the loudest parties. There was a discussion about parking patterns and whether the grass area should be used for parking. It was noted that the specific recommendations of the study could be further discussed when the Saco River Rec Council agreement is considered for renewal.

Dutton made a motion to approve an abatement for PP Account #265, Wells Fargo in the amount of \$5,643.62, which was seconded by Klinepeter and passed unanimously.

Dutton made a motion to approve an abatement for PP Account #167, Great America Financial Services in the amount of \$450.62, which was seconded by Klinepeter and passed unanimously.

Dutton made a motion to approve an abatement for Map 010-019-001, Frederick Walker in the amount of 700.60, which was seconded by Klinepeter and passed unanimously.

Dutton made a motion to approve an abatement for Map 010-019-002, Christopher Fletcher in amount of \$689.75, which was seconded by Klinepeter and passed unanimously.

Klinepeter made a motion to approve an abatement for Map 010-020-000, Peter Fletcher in the amount of \$806.00, which was seconded by Dutton and passed unanimously.

Dutton made a motion to approve an abatement for Map 036-093-000, Benjamin Warner in the amount of \$66.65, which was seconded by Klinepeter and passed unanimously.

Klinepeter made a motion to approve an abatement for Map 017-007-00N, Douglas Burnell in the amount of \$20.00, which was seconded by Dutton and passed unanimously.

Klinepeter made a motion to deny an abatement for Map 052-020-000, Scott Lee, which was seconded by Dutton and passed unanimously.

Dutton made a motion to approve an abatement for Map 011-010-000, EAR Revocable Trust in the amount of \$455.70, which was seconded by Klinepeter and passed unanimously.

Klinepeter made a motion to approve an abatement for Map 010-018-001, Richard Parmenter in the amount of \$553.35, which was seconded by Dutton and passed unanimously.

Dutton made a motion to approve an abatement for Map 010-018-002, Richard Parmenter in the amount of \$375.10, which was seconded by Dutton and passed unanimously.

Haley provided her Town Managers Report. Dutton made a motion to accept the report, which was seconded by Clarke and passed unanimously.

Other Business: Clarke commented on a Conway Daily Sun article about Avesta breaking ground on their Conway project and questioned the timing of the Fryeburg project. Haley relayed that Avesta is on next weeks Planning Board agenda. She also commented about necessary corrections to be made to the town website and on some shoulder run-off issues on Elm and Warren St. Klinepeter asked that the Board provide ideas for using ARPA funds so those decisions can be made before the budget season. He wants to goal to be keeping a steady mil rate, rather than decreasing it. Kingsbury is disappointed in the lack of attendance at Select Board meetings and would like to see students get involved.

Public Forum: n/a

Klinepeter made a motion to approve Payroll Warrants #26 & 28 and Accounts Payable Warrants #27 & 29, which was seconded by Dutton and passed unanimously.

Klinepeter made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Dutton and passed unanimously.

Date: 9-14-2021