

**Minutes
Select Board Meeting – Hastings Community Center
Thursday, April 13, 2023
6:00 PM**

Kimberly Clarke
Thomas Klinepeter

Jim Tyrrell
Thomas Kingsbury

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Kingsbury called the the Select Board Meeting to order and declared a quorum. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Tyrrell made a motion to approve the March 23, 2023 Meeting Minutes, which was seconded by Klinepeter and passed unanimously.

Department Head reports: Library Director Maryann Eastman provide March library stats, program updates and an overview of upcoming April events. Fire Chief Andrew Dufresne provided a review of calls for service, training, and fleet/equipment repairs and noted the high fire danger. Police Chief Aaron Mick said the 2 new cruisers/trucks will soon be in service.

Haley introduced the new Code Enforcement Officer Frank Polak.

Clarke made a motion to approve Application for Mobile Vendor License for Mason Irish for a Hot Dog Stand to be located at 10 Jockey Cap Lane, which was seconded by Tyrrell. Tyrrell noted that the applicant only provided an insurance quote but not actual proof of insurance. After discussion the motion was withdrawn and Tyrrell made a new motion to table the application. This was seconded by Kingsbury and passed unanimously.

Klinepeter made a motion to approve Application for Mobile Vendor License for Kate Dargie & Leanne Boody for Mow's Munchies to be located at 10 Jockey Cap Lane, which was seconded by Clarke and passed unanimously.

Tyrrell made a motion to approve Application for License for Games of Chance for Fryeburg Rec Inc at 302 West, which was seconded by Clarke and passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the bids for Smith Street sidewalk construction project. Clarke made a motion to award the bid to Drew Corporation for \$171,175. The motion was seconded by Kingsbury and passed unanimously.

Clarke began the discussion related to Fryeburg Rescue and its billing practices, specifically as it relates to charging for non-transportations when vitals are taken. Clarke had requested that this be on the agenda for further discussion since there was seemingly confusion about the perceived "mandate" from the Budget

Committee for Fryeburg Rescue to charge for the services. Clarke does not believe that it was the intent of the committee to require Fryeburg Rescue to charge; such mandates should come from the Select Board and Clarke does not want to see any barriers for people calling rescue. Stephen Goldsmith noted that the Fryeburg Rescue Board of Directors have made the decision to not charge for non-transport services. Tyrrell and Klinepeter both said that these are not decisions for the Select Board to make since Fryeburg Rescue is a private entity. Tyrrell noted that Fryeburg Rescue is one of the few services that do not charge for non-transports. Ed Price spoke and further clarified that the Budget Committee did not make a mandate, rather it was a suggestion.

The Board revisited the topic of textile recycling and the First Congregational Church Thrift Store request to place a Salvation Army donation bin at the Fryeburg Transfer Station. It was noted that the agreement with Apparel Impacts included a non-compete clause; the Select Board felt that this should be honored. The possibility of placing a Salvation Army bin at the Town Office was discussed. Haley thinks that there is space at the Town Office however Linda Russell spoke and stated that the Thrift Store feels that if they can't have a bin at the Transfer Station then it won't resolve the problem and that they do not want to locate at bin at the Town Office. They asked for reconsideration when the agreement with Apparel Impacts is renewed.

The Board continued the discussion on the Conservation Committee (CC) request to propose a warrant article that directs Tree Growth and Open Space removal penalties to a designated account to be used by the Conservation Committee, based on the feedback by legal counsel. Kingsbury is against pursuing this. Clarke noted that this supports the idea that there is value to the town in undeveloped land. Tyrrell commented that future land acquisition by the CC will reduce the amount of taxable property in town. There was a discussion about the wording of the potential warrant article. There was also discussion about using budgeted funds for CC projects as opposed to having capital reserve funds. Klinepeter did say that he agreed to support a warrant article but believes that this might lead to other groups and committees asking for reserve funds. Clarke made a motion to approve the warrant article prepared by legal counsel with a \$10,000 limit of tree growth penalties going to the CC. The motion was seconded by Tyrrell; the vote was 2:2 (Kingsbury/Tyrrell in opposition) and the tie vote fails.

The Select Board voted as follows on the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Recommendations:

	<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Motion/Second</i>
Administration	\$ 593,379	4-0	Clarke/Tyrrell
Select Board	\$ 16,898	1-0-3	Clarke/Tyrrell
Planning Board	\$ 2,000	4-0	Clarke/Klinepeter
Economic Development	\$ -	4-0	Clarke/Tyrrell
Appeals Board	\$ 500	4-0	Clarke/Tyrrell
Conservation Committee	\$ 5,000	4-0	Clarke/Tyrrell
Broadband Committee	\$ 1,000	4-0	Klinepeter/Kingsbury
Bicycles, Walkways, Trails Com	\$ 2,000	4-0	Clarke/Tyrrell
Parks, Opens Space, Beaut. Com	\$ 3,000	4-0	Clarke/Tyrrell
Professional Services	\$ 120,331	4-0	Clarke/Tyrrell
General Assistance	\$ 10,000	4-0	Clarke/Kingsbury
Recreation	\$ 263,283	4-0	Clarke/Klinepeter
Library	\$ 130,489	4-0	Clarke/Tyrrell
Police	\$ 780,096	4-0	Clarke/Kingsbury

Fire Department	\$ 264,722	3-0-1	Clarke/Tyrrell
Saco Valley Fire Department	\$ 43,525	4-0	Clarke/Kingsbury
Rescue	\$ 142,536	4-0	Clarke/Tyrrell
Civil Services	\$ 159,838	3-1	Clarke/Kingsbury
Parks	\$ 18,675	4-0	Clarke/Kingsbury
Solid Waste	\$ 561,905	4-0	Clarke/Tyrrell
Debt Service	\$ 18,540	4-0	Clarke/Tyrrell
Public Works	\$ 796,352	4-0	Clarke/Tyrrell
Miscellaneous	\$ 277,348	4-0	Clarke/Tyrrell
Capital	\$ 278,000	4-0	Clarke/Tyrrell

Klinepeter made a motion to sign the Certification of Ordinance and to include proposed revisions to the Land Use Ordinance Sections 5, 17 and 25 related to Solar Energy Systems on the Town Meeting warrant. This was seconded by Tyrrell and passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the draft Town Meeting Warrant. Some necessary corrections were noted to be needed.

Klinepeter made a motion to approve a property tax abatement in the amount of \$254.87 for Map 017, Lot 004 in the name of Jodi Hesslin, which was seconded by Clarke and passed unanimously.

Clarke made a motion to approve a property tax abatement in the amount of \$1,221.48 for Map 025, Lot 001 in the name of Andrew Dickinson, which was seconded by Klinepeter and passed unanimously.

Clarke made a motion to to approve the Certified Ratio Declaration with a certified ratio of 89%. This was seconded by Kingsbury and passed unanimously.

Haley provided her Town Managers Report. There was a discussion about jake brakes/engine brakes and the potential of putting a quiet zone sign up on Route 302 in the vicinity of the self-storage units. There was discussion about how this is in the General Commercial zone and there seemed to be consensus that a quiet zone sign is not warranted. Klinepeter made a motion to accept the report, which was seconded by Tyrrell and passed unanimously.

Other Business: Tyrrell asked about the internet situation at the Transfer Station; Haley replied that Starlink had been purchased for that location. Clarke stated that she is not running for reelection but that she is happy that 4 others have stepped up to run. Klinepeter asked when the Avesta housing project is going to be completed. Haley is unsure but can direct people to a phone number to get put on a notification list when Avesta begins taking applications. Kingsbury noted that the bump/dip at the end of the Transfer Station driveway required MDOT action and is not a repair that lies solely on the town.

Public Forum: Chris Devries, Appeals Board chair, makes a plea for people to join the Appeals Board. Linda Russell brought up the fact that the Select Board was going to look into the work that MDOT said they were going to do in front of the First Congregational Church. Clarke said that they looked back at the record and believe that the work was not completed because the church was not supportive of the work. Clarke asked that a letter be drafted to be sent to MDOT to request that they install the 11 ft. pull out as originally offered. She suggested copying our representatives. Daymond Steer asked clarifying questions.

Klinepeter made a motion to approve Payroll Warrants #84, 86, 87 & 89 and Accounts Payable Warrants #85 & 88, which was seconded by Tyrrell and passed unanimously.

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

Date: 4-27-2023

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