MInutes for Waterboro Board of Selectmen Meeting August 16, 2022, at Waterboro Town Hall 6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Abbott started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:02 p.m.

Selectmen Attendance: Dennis Abbott, Dwayne Woodsome, and David Chauvette. Michael Provencher was absent.

Other Attendees: Glenn Seehagen, Jason Champion, Joshua Andrews, David Lowe, Dana Borgavist, and Laura Lowe.

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public hearing is to hear public comment on the proposed changes of hours at the Transfer Station.

Joshua Andrews had originally proposed being closed Monday, Thursday, and Sunday and open Tuesday 12pm – 7pm, Wednesday 12pm – 7 pm, Friday 12pm – 5pm, and Saturday 9am – 5pm. However, he has had some feedback from employees and residents and has decided it would be better for all if the days open and closed were in a row so it coincides with the DPW department working days and Holiday days off. So he now proposes to be closed Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, and open Wednesday 12pm – 7pm, Thursday 12pm – 7pm, Friday 12pm – 5pm, and Saturday 9am – 5 pm. The Select Board agreed. Dave Lowe I.T. Manager stated that all of the feedback he has seen regarding this issue on Facebook has been supportive.

Chairman Abbott closed the Public Hearing at 6:10 pm with a 3-0 unanimous vote from the Select Board.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Abbott announced that the Fourth Annual York County Blues Festival will be held this Saturday at Friendship Park. The gates open at 12pm, a pre-show jam with one of our locals at 12:30pm, and the show starts at 1pm and ends at 7:30 pm. Tickets can be bought beforehand at www.yorkcountybluesfest.com for \$17.50 and at the gate for \$30.00. The bees that were in the ground at the volley ball pit have disappeared and the caution tape that was up during Concerts in the Park will be taken down tomorrow. The event will be held in the Park and not on the ball field like the concerts were.

Chairman Abbott also announced that Hospice of Southern Maine will be returning to Deering Oaks Park in Portland for Twilight in the Park, Saturday, September 24th at 6:00 pm.

Selectman Chauvette, on behalf of the Select Board, congratulated two young men of the community; Brayden Peck-Parker and Joseph St. Laurent. These two young men will be celebrated at the Eagles Scout Court of Honor, Saturday, August 20, 2022, at 4pm, in Holdsworth Park, Springvale. This is to honor these two special young men for

their momentous achievement of obtaining Eagle Scout, the highest rank attainable for a Boy Scout.

4. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA – 10a was moved to the next Selectmen's regular meeting

- **5. APPOINTMENT none.**
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENTS none.

7. CORRESPONDENCE – Available Upon Request.

- **a.** Treasurer's Reports
- **b.** Motor Vehicle report
- **c.** Hospice of Southern Maine Twilight in the Park
- d. Contract Deputy Monthly Report July 2022
- e. MMA Workman's Comp Good Performance Press Release

8. REPORTS & STAFF INITIATIVES

a. <u>Town Administrator Matt Bors report:</u> Matt on Vacation so Dennis Abbott read.

General Information/Consideration:

- Jason and I met with Maine DOT Engineer Randy Illiam this past Tuesday morning at 10am. We conveyed the concerns expressed to us. Unfortunately at this point he has limited resources to help us. While we certainly have potential options, unfortunately we need to develop a work plan. This would include enforcement, roadway improvements, signage and possibly considering a sidewalk. According to MDOT, we would be responsible for these project costs. They have a Village Partnership Grant that we could explore to potentially assist with our costs.
- We are working with the flooring contractor, to schedule the installation of the new flooring in the lobby, hallway and customer service floors. At this point we are looking at completing the weekend of September 17, 18 and 19th. We will need to close offices to the public on Monday September 19th. Staff working will help move furniture and other general office items to accommodate the install. This date may change depending upon the availability of materials.
- I'm in the process of working with Melissa Brandt to explore options with the Community Resilience Partnership Program. This may have some beneficial grant opportunities that we could explore.

b. Selectmen's reports:

Dennis Abbott reported that the new compactor at the Transfer Station is being installed tomorrow and possibly also Thursday. He asked that everyone please use caution. Josh Andrews stated that he will put caution tape up.

David Chauvette reported that he has received a complaint from a resident regarding the painted crosswalks that used to be in South Waterboro. When the State repaved 202 they did not put in the painted marking for the crosswalks. The resident will be sending a letter into the Code Enforcement office and DPW Director. Jason Champion, DPW Director, stated that she already has sent the letter in. He has been in contact with DOT regarding this.

Dwayne Woodsome reported that he has received various phone calls from residents who are enjoying Friendship Park. He has also noticed an increased amount of people at the park. He wanted to congratulate all that were involved in the improvement project for all of their hard work.

Dwayne also reported that the new dock at Gobeil Park has been well received. Jason Champion stated that we have ordered another piece to the dock and we are waiting for it to come in.

9. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discuss/vote on proposed changes to hours at the Transfer Station

Dwayne Woodsome made a motion that effective October 1st, 2022, that the Transfer station hours open will be Wednesday 12-7pm, Thursday 12-7pm, Friday 12-5pm, Saturday 9-5pm, and hours closed will be Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday. David Chauvette seconded the motion. The motion passed 3 – 0.

b. Discuss/vote on approving of leasing one or two more ballot boxes

Christine Torno, tax collector and former Town Clerk came before the Board as the Town Clerk is out on vacation. She stated that we do not need an extra ballot box for the coming November election. She thinks we should look into another one for the June election for the town ballot and one for the Presidential election. No vote was needed.

c. Discuss and review the Foreclosed Properties List

Christine Torno passed out a list of foreclosed properties that the Select Board will review. She also recommended that they have a workshop that she can also attend where they review each property and make a list of the properties they would like to auction. She then wants to take this list and review before the properties go to auction. The Select Board agreed and scheduled the workshop for July 30 at 5pm.

Dennis Abbott asked that an email be sent to Matt Bors and Michael Provencher to alert them of the workshop.

Christine also announced that it is the last week to sign up for the tax club.

Dwayne Woodsome announced that the deadline to file paperwork for LD290 (Property Tax Stabilization Act for Individuals 65 Years or Older Who Own a Homestead for at Least 10 Years) is December 1st. The requirements are: You have to be 65 years or older and a permanent resident of the State of Maine who has owned a homestead for at least 10 years, and you have to file the LD290 paperwork every year.

10. OLD BUSINESS

a. Discuss/vote on Contract Deputy Contract

This item has been moved to the next meeting as Matt Bors and Michael Provencher are absent.

11. OTHER

a. Discuss/vote to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2022, regular meeting.

Dwayne Woodsome made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 2 meeting. David Chauvettte seconded the motion. The motion passed 3 – 0.

12. PENDING DECISIONS

Referendum Questions: Charter Commission, TIF District, Selectmen Election

13. WEEK'S ACTION LIST

Email needs to go to Michael Provencher & Matt Bors regarding workshop

Jason to check with Matt regarding the roads to be closed for the winter

14. DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

Public Hearing for Closing of some roads for the winter may be 9/6 or 9//20 Jason needs to speak with the Road Review committee and Matt to coordinate which roads they want to close and when they want to have the public hearing.

15. ITEMS NEEDING SIGNATURE - none.

16. ADJOURN

David Chauvette made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 pm. Dwayne Woodsome seconded the motion. The motion passed 3 – 0.