

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING

January 9, 2013

The weekly selectmen's meeting was called to order by Selectman Wesley Daniel at 7:00 pm. Selectmen Don Grinnell and Duane Vigue were also present.

The selectmen voted unanimously to approve the summary of the selectmen's meeting dated January 2, 2013.

The selectmen voted unanimously to approve a payroll warrant of \$4,197.48 and an accounts payable warrant in the amount of \$11,035.87. Online banking accounts at Machias Savings Bank on January 9, 2013, showed \$100,000 in the operating account and \$657,326.83 in the interest bearing sweep account. The treasurer provided updated TRIO reports for the year ending December 31, 2012.

Road Commissioner Jonathan Daniel was absent and had no written report. All the plow trucks are now back in service.

Code Enforcement Officer Robert Temple was present but had no written report. Bob briefed the selectmen an issue he is working on with Mark Stebbins, Maine DEP, regarding the rock mine being operated by J.C. Stone where rock is being extracted below the water table. Bob will keep the selectmen informed as the issue progresses. He also briefed the selectmen on the status of land use violations as determined by Knox County Court. Thus far no payments of fines have been received by the town or the town attorney. Bob will be working with the attorney to determine the next step.

Town Treasurer informed the selectmen that she contacted MMA regarding the foreclosed property on Washington Pond previously owned by Washington Trust and occupied by John Medeika. She is awaiting an answer. The selectmen voted unanimously to postpone action until next week.

The selectmen received a letter from Dyer & Goodall, attorneys for Berkley and Nancy Linscott, informing the selectmen that the Maine Law Court has determined that closing a road to trucks constitutes a "taking" and may cost the town funds to defend the decision and court costs. The selectmen reiterated that they are still in the previously approved 60-day period to make a decision on any action they may take.

Wes read an email from Cynthia Rosen resigning from the MSAD 40 school board. The selectmen voted unanimously to accept the resignation and will advertise for someone to fill the vacancy.

The selectmen set January 29<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm as the date/time to meeting with the budget committee to present the proposed 2013 municipal budget.

With nothing else to come before the board, the selectmen adjourned at 7:34 pm and entered into a work session to work on the 2013 municipal budget. The budget work session closed at 9:05 pm.