

SELECTMEN and ASSESSORS MEETING SUMMARY
March 4, 2015

The weekly selectmen's and assessor's meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm, Wednesday, March 4, 2015 by Selectman Wesley Daniel. Selectmen Donald Grinnell and Duane Vigue were also in attendance as was Code Enforcement Officer Robert Temple. There were no attendees from the public.

The summary of the February 25, 2015, selectmen and assessors meeting was approved as written.

The selectmen voted unanimously to approve a payroll warrant in the amount of \$4,548.38, and an accounts payable warrant of \$16,383.54 which included \$8,880.92 to the Harris Company for the 2015 annual TRIO computer program costs and upgrades. After this week's warrants were paid, an online review of municipal accounts held at Machias Savings Bank indicated \$100,000.00 in the operating account and \$544,566.85 in the interest bearing sweep account.

Jonathan Daniel, Road Commissioner, was absent and had no written report.

Robert Temple, Code Enforcement Officer, was present and discussed the following issues:

- 1) Bob stated that at the request of Planning Board Chairman Mitch Garnett, Bob had provided copies of information regarding the Linscott land use violation case.
- 2) Bob received an initial request from a land owner to place 2,843 commercial grade solar panels in the field behind the post office in the Village District. Although not specifically prohibited by the Land Use Ordinance Bob conferred with MMA who determined that the scope of the project would fall under the Site Plan Review Ordinance which would require Planning Board approval. Bob will inform the potential applicant.
- 3) Bob and the selectmen reviewed the latest letter from the town attorney to the Linscott's attorney.

The selectmen voted unanimously to take the \$400 for the annual DEP permit for the town gravel pit from the Maintenance and Materials line of the Road Maintenance Account. In past years the fee had been taken from legal fees.

The selectmen voted unanimously to have the treasurer add a new line in the TRIO revenue account for monies received from the State of Maine for online burning permit applications.

The selectmen received notification of upcoming workshops on Workzone Safety and Paving. Due to the short notice before the two workshops the selectmen took no action.

At no additional change to the town MMA has provided a new insurance policy to the town for Privacy and Network Security Liability.

The selectmen reviewed and signed a letter to the members of the Budget Committee stating that the selectmen were remiss in not providing committee members notification of an additional \$20,000 warrant article that was added to the town meeting warrant for repair and restoration of the fire department Rescue 1.

The selectmen renewed and updated the roster which allows municipal officials to buy items from the State of Maine Surplus Property Division.

Don stated that Andy Hart, Knox County Administrator, is hoping to lock-in the 2015-16 fuel oil price at \$2.25 per gallon. There will be short notice to lock it in at the town level. The board gave Don authorization to lock the price in when he is contacted.

Bill Lane from Gartley & Dorsky Engineering will be at the selectmen's meeting at 6:00 pm on March 11 to review the plans for the Vanner Road and Youngs Hill Road culvert projects. The selectmen voted unanimously to move the start time of next week's selectmen's meeting to 6:00 pm. The change will be posted around town and online.

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At 7:29 pm, under the provisions of 1 M.S.R. § 405 (6) (E), the selectmen entered into executive session to review an application poverty abatement. They returned to regular session at 7:42 pm. The selectmen voted unanimously to deny the request at this time. The applicant will be notified in writing and the letter will provide the applicant with suggestions for making other arrangements to pay the overdue property tax.

At 7:44 pm, under the provisions of 1 M.S.R. § 405 (6) (A), the selectmen entered into executive session to review the final application for an equipment operator on the road crew. They returned to regular session at 7:54 pm. The selectmen voted unanimously to interview all candidates in executive session beginning at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, March 10 at the town office. Duane will notify all applicants.

With no further business to come before the board the selectmen adjourned at 8:05 pm.

**SPECIAL
SELECTMEN and ASSESSORS MEETING SUMMARY
March 10, 2015**

A special selectmen's and assessor's meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm, Tuesday, March 10, 2015 by Selectman Wesley Daniel. Selectmen Donald Grinnell and Duane Vigue were also in attendance as was Jonathan Daniel, Road Commissioner.

At 6:01 pm, under the provisions of 1 M.S.R. § 405 (6) (E), the selectmen entered into executive session to conduct applicant interviews to fill the equipment operator vacancy on the road crew. Five applicant were interviewed (one applicant in Connecticut was interviewed on the office speaker phone). After the interviews the attributes of all applicants were discussed.

At 7:35 the selectmen returned to regular session. The applicant chosen to fill the position will be announced and voted on during the weekly selectmen's meeting tomorrow night. The selectmen then adjourned.