

# **SOUTHWEST HARBOR WATER & SEWER DISTRICT**

## **September 21, 2023**

Meeting Minutes

Town Hall

4:00 PM.

Trustees; Lee Worcester, Ralph Dunbar, Marilyn Lowell, William Tillman  
Manager; Steven Kenney.

Meeting called to Order: 4:00 PM

### **August Minutes;**

Motion made by Dunbar to approve August minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tillman. 3-0-1, Minier abstained as he was not present at the August meeting.

### **Financials;**

Reports; After questions and discussion over line items that had high expenditures. Board read over and acknowledged the monthly financial statements.

### **Warrants 89 and July Payroll;**

Motions by Dunbar to approve the Warrant 90 & 90A, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tillman. Unanimous.

Motion to approve July payroll by Dunbar, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tillman. Unanimous

### **Updates;**

#### WWTP;

Manager reported that the override for plant funding would be about \$9.2m. We are hoping to receive \$1m in federal grant funding from Senator Collins office and \$4m in grant funding from the USDA. We also have a potential for low interest borrowing from the DEP of \$2.5m... but we need to assume that these funds will not be available and should address looking at borrowing the full amount. Once an actual figure is arrived at, we need to ask the Town for a Town Meeting, or Special Town Meeting, to request the remaining borrowed funds be approved to be on the tax roles as the original \$8m for the original WWTP upgrade project.

Board requested to hold project for now and meet with Olver Engineers to review possibilities of partial construction using the original \$15m .

#### New Truck;

Motion by Tillman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Minier to accept the 1 and only quote for the trade in of our 2018 Dodge Ram 2500 for a new pick up, minus the tax amount of \$1,354.00. Quote was from Darling GMC for \$24,629.00, after the subtraction of the taxes.

Antenna Lease;

After discussion the Board asked the District Manager to relay to Verizon Wireless that they do not desire to own the antenna nor be involved with permitting and maintenance. They were in favor of leasing the property though.

Workers Comp;

The Manager reported that Workers Comp declined to reimburse the District for the Managers travel expenses and time off. Manager got in touch with a State Mediator to try and push MMA for reimbursement.

Next meeting; Thursday, October 19, 2023.

**Meeting Adjourned** 4:55 PM, motion by Minier, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dunbar, Unanimous.