

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS MEETING MINUTES

November 7, 2024

7:00 PM

8:05 PM

Karen James

Eric Durgin

Cory Hale

The meeting was called to order with all three municipal officers in attendance. Patty Barber, Ethan Norcross, Eli Small, Mary Anderson, Mike Benson, Calista Cross, Brandon Perry, Abbi Day, Cory Day, Mark Fryover, and Gabe Durgin were also there for a portion of the meeting.

The board opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board approved the minutes from October 17th meeting.

Board signed previously approved warrants from October 24th, October 31st, and November 7th.

Several citizens expressed concerns about a group of individuals speeding, doing burnouts, and causing damage to property on the South end of Durgintown Road. This issue has been going on for two years, and the police have been called several times, and nothing is ever done. It was asked of the town if they could contact authorities as well and try to get support from state and county police. The board agreed that they could reach out tomorrow morning.

Mike Benson also had concerns about an unauthorized repair shop/junkyard being run out of the residence of 3 Rocky Knoll. Emma stated there was no current Conditional Use Permit but would have the CEO investigate it.

Calista Cross – Calista presented the board with a handmade sign for their support in renaming the bridge in Hiram. She thanked them for all their help.

New Settlement Road Tree Bids –

Heath Taylor - \$38,000, work could be completed in 2 weeks

Wilson Small Tree Care - \$34,000, work could be completed in 15 days

Days Logging - \$12,500, work could be completed in a day

Board tabled the bids until later in the meeting. Towards the end of the night, the topic was revisited and the board voted to accept Day's bid of \$12,500. They would like to ask them how much it would be to extend the work to the end of New Settlement Road.

Board entered executive session with Ethan Norcross per 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)(A) at 7:40 PM.

Board came out of executive session at 7:50 PM. Discussion of Personnel matters, no decision was necessary.

Brent Day dropped off the contract for Oxford County Soil & Water to conduct the plans for the sidewalk in Porter/Hiram.

Sand/Salt shed lease was extended, no changes.

Board reviewed letter from a citizen on Main Street that was submitted to Sacopee Rescue concerning damage to property during a fire call. Pictures that were provided proved that the Town of Hiram was not involved.

Dan Hester sent an email to Marylou about transferring ownership of the newly built Pavillion at the SML to the Town. The board would like office staff to look find out who the grant awarded the funding to and contact MMA first.

November 21st Special Town Meeting warrant signed.

Board reviewed building permit update.

Board asked to have road commissioner, plow contractors, etc. to review buildings for any repairs that are needed on town buildings for next year's budget.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Emma Ouellette