

September 11, 2023
BOARD OF ASSESSORS MINUTES

Present: Terry Bergeron, Chair; Tim DeMillo, Vice Chair; Tom Goding, Lee Ann Dalessandro, Gary McGrane, Shiloh LaFreniere, Town Manager; Raeleen York, Deputy Clerk

Guests: Adrienne Foss (Mt. Blue and Daily Bulldog), Donna Perry (Sun Journal), Mark Holt (Sewer Superintendent)

1. Pledge of Allegiance – 6:00 p.m. -Tim led the pledge.

2. Tax Abatements – **1) Marie Poisson** – M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to approve a tax abatement of \$351.60 for Marie Poisson for the 2023-24 tax year. Vote 5-0-0. **2) Darian Richardson** – M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to approve a tax abatement for \$44,530 in valuation, \$1,024.19 tax dollars, for the 2023-24 tax year for Darian Richardson. Vote 5-0-0.

SELECTBOARD MINUTES

1. Minutes – August 28, 2023 – M/M/S Gary/Tom to approve the minutes from the August 28, 2023 Selectboard meeting. Vote 5-0-0

2. Old Business – No discussion.

3. Livermore Falls Sewer Upgrade Funding Update and Joint Reserve Account Request for Pressure Washer – Mark gave an update to the Selectboard on the LF sewer treatment plant upgrade. Principal forgiveness is part of the loan package. The 7 million dollar loan is headed to the Senate. It has passed the appropriation committee. For the 17 million dollar project, it is looking like 46% is loan and 54% grant. Phase one of the project is 76% finished and at 64% of the payout. They are still having trouble getting parts.

M/M/S Gary/Tom to approve spending \$6,000 from the joint reserve account for a pressure washer with attachments. Vote 5-0-0. Livermore Falls already approved the expenditure at their meeting.

4. Request for Adjustment for Sudden and Severe Disruption in Value – M/M/S Gary/Tom to have the Chair, Terry, sign the application to the State Tax Assessor requesting an adjustment of our State Valuation due to the closure of the Pixelle mill. Vote 5-0-0

5. May 1st and June 29th Storm Updates – Shiloh gave the Selectboard an update. They had their first meeting with FEMA and the State last week on the May 1st storm. It is anticipated that the paving for those damaged roads will be covered under the June 29th storm. For the June storm, the first recovery meeting is on Friday. Then we will find out who the project manager is. The Woodman Hill project will begin next Monday. We are still going back and filling and ditching other roads. The Lake School Road damage from the May storm undermined a culvert. We will be working on that. And Route 133 is now open.

6. Other Business – The Fire Department is interested in doing the Trunk or Treat again this year at the Town Office parking lot on October 31st. The Selectboard approved.

M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to appoint Shiloh the MMA voting delegate for Jay. Vote 5-0-0 M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to have Terry sign the paperwork. Vote 5-0-0

Mike Luce resigned as Lieutenant for the Jay Fire Department. M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to approve Mike Booker appointing Scott Shink to Lieutenant. Vote 5-0-0

Terry announced upcoming dates of interest.

M/M/S Tim/Tom to adjourn at 6:27 p.m. Vote 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Raeleen M. York