January 22, 2024 SELECTBOARD 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: Trinity Smith (Mt. Blue TV), Donna Perry (Sun Journal), Mark Holt (Sewer Superintendent), Mike Booker (Fire Chief), John Johnson (Public Works)

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

2. Minutes – January 8, 2024 – M/M/S Tim/Tom to approve the minutes from the January 8, 2024 Selectboard meeting. Vote 5-0-0

3. Old Business – No discussion.

4. Appointment of Comprehensive Planning Committee Members – M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to appoint the following people to the 2024 Comprehensive Planning Committee: Jeff Gilbert, Chris Townsend, Joel Gilbert, Gary McGrane, Lynn Ouellette, Mike Fournier, Daniel Ryder, Sue Theberge, Jamie Carden-Leventhal, Barbara Cook, Brandon Hobbs, Cheryl-Ann Jerry, and Dennis Stevens. Vote 4-0-1 Gary abstained.

5. Delinquent Tax Rate for 2024-2025 - M/M/S Gary/Tom to set the delinquent tax rate at 6% to be voted on by the residents at town meeting. Vote 5-0-0

6. Interlocal Sewer Agreement Amendment – M/M/S Gary/Tom to approve changes to the Interlocal Sewer Agreement between Jay and Livermore Falls to be voted on by the residents at town meeting. Vote 5-0-0

7. Polycor Road Proposal – John explained that Polycor approached the Town with a proposal to provide funds to the Town towards the upkeep of a portion of Woodman Hill Road and Old Jay Hill Road if the town would keep the road unposted. They are proposing to pay \$50,000 the first year and then \$25,000 per year after that towards the 3 inches of paving. John has no issue with going forward on this and cited similar instances where the town has worked with private companies in the past. Shiloh stated that she had talked with the attorney and that this was a policy decision the Selectboard could initially make but an agreement would need to be authorized by voters at town meeting. M/M/S Gary/Tom to pursue this agreement with Polycor and submit to the voters. Vote 5-0-0

8. Other Business – The Fire Department was approved for a 50/50 grant. This would pay for pagers, gloves, helmets, pants and coats. We would pay \$2,739.13 and receive \$2,739.13 in grant money. M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to accept the grant. Vote 5-0-0

Fire Engine 3 needs additional work over what was previously approved. Greenwood did an inspection and provided a list of things that should be replaced. The total to do all the additional

work would be \$40,000. Terry, Tim, Mike and Shiloh reviewed the list. They identified the items that Greenwood should do while they have the truck. The cost for these items is \$8,100. The rest can be addressed down the line and some can be done in house. M/M/S Gary/Tom to approve an additional \$8,100 to fix engine 3 with funds from the capital reserve account. Vote 5-0-0 There are 3 items that need to be reviewed further by Greenwood so that they can give us a price for repairs. This information will come to the Board when it is available.

Shiloh told the Selectboard that Maine Revenue Service fell short on the funding for the Property Tax Stabilization. They are only paying 56% of what is due to the towns at this time. We will get \$93,472.82 now instead of \$176,363.81 and expect to get the balance of the payment this spring if and when additional funding is approved through the Legislature.

Terry announced upcoming dates of interest.

M/M/S - Tim/Lee Ann to adjourn at 6:30 p.m. Vote 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Raeleen M. York