



THE TOWN OF LIMINGTON

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SELECT BOARD MEETING MARCH 31, 2022

Meeting Called to Order at 7:05 pm by Jonathan Kinney.

Approval of Meeting Minutes for March 24, 2022.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes for March 24, 2022 made by Michael Barden, seconded by Stanley Hackett, unanimous approval.

Approval of Warrant #13

Appropriations:	\$ 17,654.94
Payroll:	\$ 16,752.35
Total:	\$ 34,407.29

Motion to approve Warrant #13 made Michael Barden, seconded by Stanley Hackett, unanimous approval.

Purchase Order Requests:

PWD:

A request to pay Grainger for barrel lifting sling and a hand truck: \$290.31.

A request to pay Napa Auto Parts for various sizes of poly tubing, pipe swivels and fuse holder: \$154.85.

A request to pay Napa auto Parts for led pedestal lamp: \$41.51.

A request to pay Napa Auto Parts for hydro fluid and engine oil: \$1,118.95.

A request to pay Allied Equipment for heated wiper kits for Trucks 6, 8, &10: \$609.00.

A request to pay Hydraulic Hose and Assemblies inspection and certification of lift chain: \$124.25.

Motion to approve PWD POs made Michael Barden, seconded by Jonathan Kinney, unanimous approval.

FIRE/EMS:

A request to pay allegiance Truck for IPR valve and oil pump for Rescue 2: \$24.72.

A request to reimburse Owen Sprague (Corrected per below to NAPA) for a spark plug cap for Engine 6: \$22.14.

A request to pay Allen's uniform for uniform shirts and pants: \$153.00.

A request to pay the Town of Limington for transit plates: \$13.00.

A request to pay Houllahan Mobile Modular for the Fire/EMS quarters, to be paid for from federal funds: \$8,500.00.

Motion to approve Fire/EMS POs made Michael Barden, seconded by Jonathan Kinney, unanimous approval.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING:

A request to pay Steep Falls Building Supply for lumber and caps for the new municipal sign: \$91.53.

Motion to approve municipal Building PO made Michael Barden, seconded by Jonathan Kinney, unanimous approval.

Old & New Business:

Motion to reappoint the following:

Marilyn Harmon, Charles Reinstein, Gary Fullerton, and Renee Fahie to the Limington Parks and Recreation Department oversight Committee for a term of 1 year, April 1, 2022- March 31, 2023.

Julie Anderson as the Health Officer for a term of 2 years April 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023.

LaurieJane Kelley and Bruce Beety to the OTH Preservation committee, for a term of 2 years April 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023.

Patricia Ramsdell as Public Access Officer for a term of 1 year April 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023.

Motion to re-appoint the above committees made by Michael Barden, seconded by Stanley Hackett, unanimous approval.

Received 2 bids for the OTH foundation project, bids to be per the engineering specs from IDE dated 10/12/2020.

Opening of sealed bids:

Bickford & Sons, East Wakefield NH: Bid not per spec: \$112,000, lift building and put in full basement.

Maine Highland Construction, Beaver Cove ME: \$179,000 as per IDE specs.

The Select Board will discuss the bids early the week of April 4, 2022, and then present to OTH to determine proceeding.

Weekly Update on Select Board activities:

Spoke with PWD about signs in Town continuing to be removed, PWD is replacing multiple stop signs and road signs. If you see any suspicious activity, please report it.

Discussed the PWD work load, and prioritizing said load.

Spoke with Fire/EMS about grants and new personnel.

Please join us in congratulating to Heather Cabading, School Secretary at H.B. Emery Jr. Memorial School for being named Maine Principal Association's 2022 Secretary of the Year.

Also, the H.B. Emery Jr. Memorial School students placed 8th in the WinterKids program winning \$1,500.00 and tied for 1st place in the CMP WinterKids Photo Contest, winning \$1,500.00.

Heidi Hanson-Gillis has recently started as Outreach admission Counselor for Job Corps in Sanford, ME. Job Corps enrolls youths 16-24 years old who are interested in career training in areas such as automotive, welding, healthcare, electrical, culinary arts, and others. This is FREE training, with onsite, virtual and online learning. Once completed, Job Corps assists with job placement. students Sanford Job corps or Heid can be reached at 207-852-6803 or hansongillis.heidi@jobcorps.org for more information.

Informational Bulletin:

Please be aware that Limington Roads are POSTED until after frost.

Transfer Station hours are Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Wednesday 12-4 p.m. Recyclable materials go in the compactor at the Transfer Station. Transfer Station stickers are available at the Town Office. **A Transfer Station sticker must be attached to your vehicle windshield for the disposal of ALL items.**

General Assistance Office is open on Tuesdays from 3-5 p.m. Applications are available anytime from the Town Clerks office during their normal business hours. Applications must be filled out and accompanied with supporting documentation and must be signed.

Planning Board meets at the Municipal Complex on site the first and third Monday evenings at 7pm.

Limington Parks and Recreation (formerly MMDY Oversight Committee) holds their meetings the second Thursday of the month after the Select Board Meeting.

The Old Town Hall Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7 pm.

We are looking for volunteers for the 1-2 Volunteers for the 2022 Parade Committee.

Meeting Open to Public:

Owen Sprague: said he sed our NAPA account so the payment will be to NAPA. Betsy will call and have sales tax removed from charges.

Bonnie Lord Laughlin: re FAC disbanding and the last two members being told to “Stand Down” Bonnie feels that the committee was not adequately thanked for their hard work and effort, especially as the FAC was voted on and approved as needed by the Select Board in July of 2021. She acknowledges that this was a new way for departments to present directly to the Select board, and this was done as a trial run for 2021. Bonnie as Secretary of the FAC speaks about the dedication, diligence, respect and curiosity of the members to seek out the people’s point of view and make recommendations, and the continuous transparency of the FAC. The meeting minutes are all posted on the website, July through January. Bonnie spoke about the Select board not attending the FAC meetings and is worried that reflected as the FAC “doing something wrong” which was not the case. Bonnie mentions the FAC’s transparency in all that they do, how enthusiastic the committee members were, following of the by-laws, and the importance of transparency when departments present to the Select Board. Speaks about the pride of the Town, things such as Emil promoting his employees and the recognition for that. She has asked that future volunteers ask the FAC for a review of the trial year. Bonnie stated that the Select Board spoke with the department heads, and then when Bonnie made suggestions, she was not replied to on multiple occasions, feeling that there was a lack of communication. She would like to hear her fellow members thanked for all their time and hard work, and asks that before going forward with a revised committee the Select board contact the 2021/22 committee for advice.

Stanley Hackett: Re Bonnie Lord Laughlin comments: The Select Board did not use the term “Stand Down” in fact, the term used was disbanded. The committee was disbanded due to lack of enough member sot be a legal committee. As regards to the trial, he confirms it did not work out as wished, for either side. Stanley did mention that the FAC was invited to tour the

departments to get an idea of the challenges faced, and felt the offer was not acted upon. Stanley pointed out that the FAC is vital to the Town, the departments, and capital investments, and suggests the departments and Select board sit and revisit the committees (all committees in general) to renew, redefine, and update the by-laws. In this case, what the FAC relationship with the Select Board, dept heads, and committees would entail. With the growth of the town, the FAC will need to refocus to continue to help the town move forward as it grows, facing new challenges. The FAC was not disbanded out of disrespect to the members and again, the Select board appreciates all they have done. Jonathan Kinney added that it is going to be challenging to all in revising the by-laws, and in reaching out to the public he had challenges with volunteers being available.

Bonnie Lord Laughlin acknowledged the they had received the offers for tours from the department heads, she appreciates the recognition and thanks as the FAC did a lot of work (Rose) with pie charts, graphs, and breakdown of the dollar, they just wanted some recognition and praise for the work.

Stanley Hackett apologized for the Select board that the FAC did not feel they were being recognized, and reiterates that the Town is moving forward quickly as it grows, and that includes Fire/Ems, PWD, OTH, and the Municipal Offices all facing challenges. The FAC is very important to the process, but revisions need to be made, such as the Growth Ordinance being reviewed and revised, because growth is putting the Town in a new category of growth as far as building permits and affordable housing requirements.

Bonnie Lord Laughlin wishes they had had more response from all others involved, and feels a particular lack of response to emails, and does not want volunteers to feel unappreciated or insulted that the FAC was disbanded without notice (see legality of lack of members above).

Howard Allen; Noting that it is now Limington parks and Recreation not MMDY any longer. Summer Camp Registration starts 4/1/2022, forms are available on the Town of Limington Website www.Limington.net and at the Municipal Office. Registrations will be open until camp begins. If you register by 4/29/2022 and pay in full, there is a discount. Registrations after 4/29/2022 must be paid in full by 6/15/2022 prior to camp beginning. If you want to add a session after camp has begun, you may still do so, however payment must be in full prior to going to camp.

Stanley Hackett mentioned that Charter will be adding 2 phones for the beach, and Charter is investing about \$7,000.00 into running cable on the beach area. They will need a contact person, Howard Allen said he can do so. Stanley mentioned they are also running the line for the Transfer Station, and the week of 4/04/2022 the new phone system will have the additional ports on the phones converted to ethernet connections for ease of computer connections. Also mentioned that we are meeting with a new web site developer shortly to get our website converted and running.

Motion to Adjourn at 7:45 pm by Stanley Hackett, seconded by Michael Barden, unanimous approval.

Select Board, Town of Limington

Jonathan Kinney, Chair

Stanley Hackett

Michael Barden III