

Selectmen Meeting Minutes
March 25, 2025
@ 5 Kennebec Street
6:00pm

**Chair Arnold Luce, Vice Chair Jim Smith, Brenda Garland, Larry
McHugh, Sharon Mellows**

1. Minutes of March 11, 2025 Board of Selectmen meeting – 5/0
2. Warrant & Financials – 5-0
3. Department Head
 - a. Highway – Arty
 - placed stone on Hollin & Waited; will grade again after snow is gone (all dirt roads)
 - Pump #5 (little one on Madison St) the rods rotted. Went down Friday and Stevens came and fixed floats, but unable to use until repaired. Proposal from Stevens Electric & Pump Service, Inc - \$6,809.89 – 5-0
 - Proposal from N.F Luce Inc for the Madison St Storm Drain Repair (FEMA has paid for this already) needs to be signed by May 31, 2025. Will sign at the March 22, 2025 meeting.
 - All equipment are up and running
 - Proposal for Generator hook up for Highway Dept and Town Office the total for both jobs \$1,167.20 Will use parts from old fire station if possible.
 - b. Fire Chief – Stacey
 - One Structure fire in North Anson and one car accident in Embden = total of 13 on call for Embden
 - Bills for oil, materials from Mattingly, IPS Service for a total of \$5,091.84
 - Jeremy Manzer was to drop off sheets for Full Time FF. There was question from Sharon, Selectmen, on hours; they do not seem to match. Selectmen and Stacey will go over the sheets Thursday, March 27, 2025
 - c. Treasurer: Nancy Gove – NONE – Nancy Gove on vacation
 - Employee Time-Off Request Form was presented to the Selectmen. These will be completed, signed and given to Kim for their files.

d. Selectmen concerns

- Proposal from Modern Pest Services \$1,672.95 – 5-0
- The original system was installed by K Tronics, LLC in 2016. There is one camera and the recorder that will need to be replaced/updated. – Proposal from K Tronics total for new camera and recorder and service \$1,350. 5-0
- 3rd Annual Spring Cleanup will be April 24-27, 2025. Will need volunteers for those days. 5-0
- Madison/Anson Day – Anson has never paid for the Fire Works and the Town of Madison is asking us to pay the 25% increase of \$1,625 this year and going forward half of the cost for Fire Works. Tabled till next meeting.
- Jim Smith attended the Maine DOT meeting to get a better handle on the repair of the bridge. Fire Chief Stacey met with them at the bridge to go over the light system and how it was going to work with emergency vehicles.

e. Public Session

- Jeff Ireland Vice President of the Madison-Anson ATC Club with was formed in 2015. There was public meeting to discuss the prospect of opening some Anson roads to ATV access. This was to be placed on the Warrant for Annual Town Meeting but due to the loss of our Administrator Assistant this was not down. Jeff is asking for a Special Town Meeting to get this voted on. Jeff presented the list of Anson Roads and Map.

Anson Roads are as follows: Four mile Square Rd; Hollin Waite Hill Rd; Brown Hill Rd; Dinsmore Rd; Pease Hill Rd – from Dinsmore to Hollin Waite Hill Rd; Hilton Hill Rd; Town Farm Rd; Carrabassett Rd; *Valley Rd – from Town Farm Rd to Kennebec Valley Trail crossing; Fahi Pond Rd – from Kennebec Valley Trail crossing to Embden Town line; Madison St; Patterson Bridge Rd; *Solon Rd – from Patteson bridge Rd to (unnamed road) approximately 1000 feet North, to connect to Kennebec Valley Trail. NOTE: * indicates Maine DOT road

- Luke Ellis voiced his concerns regarding transferring plates vs obtaining new plates cost diffence. He said the Town Office explained but the BMV explained as well to him. He feels there should be a written statement making people aware of the cost difference from transferring plated vs new plates. Chair Arnold Luce said we could have something written up on this.
- Daryl Partridge, Kari Partridge, Mr. & Mrs. Ayotte had

concerns and questions with the revised Fire Department budget. There was a long discussion but was tabled till more information could be obtained. This discussion was due to the \$150,000 cut in the Fire Department on warrant for Town Meeting.

- Janice Miller, Chair of Planning Board – they meet the 3rd Monday of each month and she wanted to know if a key could be obtained to the office and/or meeting room.

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- f. Executive session personnel Matters 1 M.R.S.A, 405 (6) (A) – 5-0 in at 6:53 pm and 5-0 out at 7:10 pm
- g. Adjourn at 7:45 pm