

Town of Knox
Selectmen's Meeting
March 24, 2014

Present: 1st Selectman Galen Larrabee, 2nd Selectman Jeffrey Stevens, 3rd Selectman William Ingraham, Town Clerk Carol Wentworth, Historical Society members: Mary Ellen Twombly and Joyce Thompson, Planning Board Chair Mark Chadwick and member Jacob Bryant, Alternate rep to UARRC Kip Penney, William Bryant, Luke Bryant. Ann Hubbard, Ken Lamson, Hans Schmidt and Travis Price

Meeting called to order by Galen.

The minutes of the March 10, 2014 Selectmen's meeting were accepted as written by a vote of 3-0.

Carol was instructed to contact the auditor to request that he come to the office and finish up the 2013 audit.

The reports submitted by CEO David Schofield were reviewed by the Board. One involved an inspection certification. The second report was in response to the complaint concerning the property at 121 Kenney Road.

Carol presented the Board with a listing of ten properties that have gone through the foreclosure process. The Board will review the list and decide on how to handle the matter at a later meeting.

Waldo County EMA has requested salary information on the town's EMA director. Carol will send them the requested data. They also notified the town that the State of Maine's request for assistance with the December 2013 ice storm damages has been denied by the federal government.

Carol gave the Board a list of annual appointments that need to be made. They will review the list and take action on it at a future meeting.

No action taken on a ballot for the MCRPC executive board representatives.

David Schofield, CEO, will attend the FEMA meeting in Belfast on March 26 concerning the updating of the floodplain maps. SAD#3 will hold a meeting on Thursday, April 3 at 6PM in Room M111 for school board members and municipal officers. The Board members will try to attend.

Carol gave each board member a copy of the Town Meeting minutes of March 15, 2014.

The Board signed authorizations for the Treasurer, Myrna Raven, following votes of 3-0. These concerned payments for payroll checks, motor vehicle registrations, Inland

Fisheries & Wildlife licenses, dog licenses and RV registrations that need to be issued outside of the regular warrant.

Carol noted that she had to cancel two training classes in February for personal and work related reasons. The Board voted 3-0 that she could attend the New Clerks Workshop in Bangor on April 8. The ACO requested that the Town of Knox pay \$25.00 to the Town of Freedom for shared training class costs as it has done in the past. The Board agreed to do so. Workshop class materials were given to planning board and UARRC members that were present. An Assessing Officers seminar will be held on April 18 in Bangor.

Mary Ellen Twombly thanked the Board for the dedication to the Historical Society in the town report. She also gave an update on the current status of the project with the old East Knox school and invited the Board to view the project later this spring.

A discussion was held concerning the use of the \$10,000 grant received by the town in 2013. Galen said he spoke with Mr. Gibson, the Grantor, last week and would like to be able to inform him of the town's intentions by the end of June at the latest. A number of proposals, ideas and offers were discussed by those present. It was agreed upon by the Board that anyone who has a proposal on what they would like to see done with the funds should have it submitted to the town office by Tuesday, April 8. This will give the Board members a week to review them before the selectmen's meeting on April 14. The proposals will be presented at that time and discussed.

The Board of Selectmen and Planning Board members reviewed the Building Permit Proposal that was presented at the last selectmen's meeting. Suggestions and changes were discussed. Once the agreed upon changes have been made to the proposal, the Boards will review it further. The Planning Board needs at least one more member to reach their quorum of three. A selectman could be appointed to the Planning Board to fill this vacancy until more members are found.

Kip Penney, representative to the UARRC, will update the Board of Selectmen at their next meeting on issues with the Recycling Center.

The Treasurer's Warrant was reviewed and signed by the Board.

Meeting was adjourned by a vote of 3-0 at 8:05PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol E. Wentworth
Town Clerk of Knox