

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes 12-08-2014

Present: 1st Selectman Galen Larrabee, 2<sup>nd</sup> Selectman Jeffrey Stevens, 3<sup>rd</sup> Selectman William Ingraham, Town Clerk Carol Wentworth, Treasurer Dorrit Emerson

Meeting called to order at 6:00 by Galen Larrabee

The minutes from the November 24, 2014 meeting were accepted as written by a vote of 3-0.

Account#P26 was granted an abatement due to an error in billing by a vote of 3-0. Acct#P128 was also granted abatements for the same reason for the years 2011, 2012 and 2013 by a vote of 3-0.

Account#24 submitted a request for an abatement. Carol was directed to contact the town he resides in to see if the piece of equipment in question is taxed there. If not, then the Town of Knox can tax it because it was here on April 1 of this year.

The Board was given a listing of 2012 taxes that are not paid. There are currently 32 accounts. Carol sent an informal letter to the account holders informing them that the certified letter would be mailed around the first week of the year and the foreclosure date is set for February 8, 2015. The town now owns 2 properties due to foreclosures. Accounts #464 and #523 are on the town's insurance policy until the Municipal Officers take further action. The town has received back from the Registry of Deeds our copies of the quit-claim deeds from the payment of 2011 foreclosures. They will now be taken off the town's insurance policy. Acct#540 has not met the terms of her payment agreement and the Board will have to determine the best way to handle the matter.

Carol faxed the updated insurance inspection information to MMA. Galen has purchased the lock for the electrical panel at the Salt Storage Building and has given it to the plow contractor. The only outstanding issue are the exposed wires in the Hearse House. The electrician still needs to return to finish this. He will also do the light on the pole. William will provide the bucket truck.

The Rabies Clinic was cancelled last Saturday due to the weather. Dorrit had sent faxes to all county town offices in an attempt to let people know about the cancellation.

The fire hydrant repair has been put on hold until spring.

David Schofield needs to be contacted to see if a letter has been sent to the property owner of 464 Kenney Road about the vehicles that are in the roadway. There is also a question as to the whereabouts of the property owner due to health issues.

The Kelsey Cemetery fence still needs to be completed by the Cemetery Committee.

The property owner at 375 Kenney Road has concerns about drainage by his mailbox. The Board feels that this is actually a property owner issue and not the towns. It will be looked at in the spring. Michael Bailey has agreed to do some roadside tree work for the town.

Paul McCarrier was appointed to the UARRC Board by a vote of 3-0. Dorrit Emerson was appointed as Registrar of Voters for the years of 2015 and 2016 by a vote of 3-0. Carol will notify the Secretary of State of this appointment.

The website installation has been postponed again. The Board set a deadline for the end of February, 2015. Steve Curry of the Belfast road has also volunteered to assist finishing up the website.

The new front door for the town office has been picked up and now needs to be installed.

The Board agreed to have Dorrit call Haskell Fuel and have our oil deliveries be put on automatic delivery.

Dorrit will email Keel Hood and set up dates for the 2014 audit.

Dorrit will be contacting BMV concerning the town being able to register large trucks. Our new registration period has been extended to February 28, 2015.

The Board voted 3-0 to set the town meeting date for March 21, 2015. Nomination papers will be available December 22<sup>nd</sup>. The positions for the second selectman and the school board director are up for election this coming year.

The fire department contracts have been sent to Brooks, Freedom and Thorndike. They are for April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2018. Dorrit enclosed a self-addressed stamped envelope for the signed contracts to be returned.

Copies of the Pleasant Hill Cemetery Association letter were given to all present to review for future reference. An updated "Watch List" was given to all members. Waldo County EMA is holding a planning meeting on December 11, 2014. William is planning on attending and representing the town. RSU 3 emailed a copy of their agenda. Sherwin Williams sent a letter with a savings offer. The Municipal Review Committee is holding their annual meeting on December 16. E911 Maintenance Training information was forwarded to David Schofield. A retirement celebration will be held for Deloris Page at the Registry of Deeds on December 12. The County of Waldo 2015 proposed budget has been received at the town office. The meeting is to be held December 12 at 6:00PM. Todd Garnett will be given the notice of a Local Roads workshop.

Accounting procedures were discussed. The Treasurer's Warrant was reviewed and signed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carol E. Wentworth". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Carol E. Wentworth, Town Clerk