

## Town of Knox

### Selectmen's Meeting Minutes 08-22-2017

Present: 1<sup>st</sup> Selectman Galen Larrabee, 2<sup>nd</sup> Selectman Jeffrey Stevens, 3<sup>rd</sup> Selectman William Ingraham, Town Clerk Carol Hamblet, Treasurer Dorrit Emerson, Thomas Berry, Jacob Bryant, Gladys Holmes, Kim Holmes, Steven Holmes, Chase Hubbard, Garret Hubbard, Penny Stevens, Hans Schmidt, Basil Wentworth and Ethan Holmes from the Republican Journal

Meeting called to order by G. Larrabee at 6:30PM.

Motion, Second and Vote 3-0 to accept the minutes as written for the August 8, 2017 Selectmen's meeting.

Motion, Second and Vote 3-0 to approve G. Larrabee signing a 'Release of Claims' with Walter Thompson of Troy for electrical work at the Knox Town Office and Sand Shed.

The Board will continue to solicit prices to have the Hearse House roof repaired.

The 2017 Spirit of America Award was presented to the Holmes family on behalf of Clinton "Sonny" Holmes for the community service that he gave to the Town of Knox over the years.

No action taken on possible road work in town which include: patching on the Bailey Road (by RR tracks) and on the Frye Mt. Road (culvert), Sand Shed ramp and cold patching, Bailey and Morse Road culverts and ditching.

The 2017 tax assessment and commitment is being worked on.

The Waldo County EMA Emergency Operations Plan for Knox needs to be updated and then signed by the Board members and the Knox EMA Director.

The Board is waiting for legal advice on how to handle an issue with RE Account 118.

J. Stevens will follow up on the 911 addressing issue on Highwater Drive.

Motion, Second and Vote 3-0 to go into Executive Session to meet with the individual bidders for the property located at 121 Kenney Road per Maine Revised Statutes Section 405, 6, A(1). Motion, Second and Vote 3-0 to come back out of Executive Session. Motion, Second and Vote 3-0 to award the bid to Jacob Bryant for \$3838.00 for the property located at 121 Kenney Road.

The Board signed the abatement paperwork for RE Account 618.

The Board discussed the issuance of the check for brush removal and cold patching. It has been confirmed that the individual's insurance did not cover these activities. The town's insurance company will need to cover them. The check for \$604.00 has been printed, but not issued to the individual. Motion, Second and Vote 3-0 to have the Treasurer, D. Emerson, issue this check to the payee.

The Board plans to vote at their next meeting to extend the Moratorium Ordinance on Retail Marijuana Establishments, Stores & Social Clubs for an additional six months.

The Board will meet with the Brooks selectmen to discuss the fire contract at a meeting in Brooks on September 14, 2017 at 7:00PM.

No action taken with Matt Miller concerning roadside brush cutting.

The Board voted to hold Selectmen's Work Sessions at the town office for the remainder of 2017. The dates and time will be posted at the office and on the website.

The Board will adjust the acreage on Map 10 Lot 36-3 per request of the property owner.

The Board received copies of a letter from the Maine Forest Service regarding the Tree Growth Tax Law dated August 15, 2017. The 2017 Tree Growth Roster is due September 30, 2017.

The property owner of Map 8 Lot 50-3 wanted to be assured that her 2017 tax bill will reflect the correction that was made in 2016.

The Board will consider an abatement for RE Account 523 at the next meeting.

The Weed Road Bridge conditions were discussed with Hans Schmidt. He has talked with the DEP about restrictions and safety restrictions are the main concern. Guard rails need to be placed after brush and tree removal. The Board will discuss this matter at their Monday night work session on August 28. D. Emerson said the Roads & Bridges account has a \$10,000 balance and the Road Reconstruction account has a balance of \$6,000.

Treasurer's Warrant of \$7,868.91 reviewed and signed by the Board.

Motion, Second and Vote 3-0 to adjourn at 8:19PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Carol E. Hamblet

Town Clerk of Knox