

## Town of Knox:

09/06/2022

In attendance: 1<sup>st</sup> selectman Galen Larrabee, 2<sup>nd</sup> selectman Bruce Grass, 3<sup>rd</sup> selectman William Ingraham, and Town Clerk Mary Donley, and David Schofield

Meeting opened at 6:08pm

David Schofield discussed budget for the cemeteries. Has 4-6 plots that are caving in and need to be filled in. There is stonework that needs to be done, some need to be cleaned and others need repair. Some of the stones are beyond repair and need to be replaced with pavers.

David has been in touch with Smith memorial in Searsport and the price for blank pavers is \$150.00 each and approximately \$100.00 each for engraving. David also has had a discussion with a church that has 60 blank pavers that they would like to sell, and would sell them for \$60.00 each. David is going to follow up with the people from the church to get more information on sizes.

The stonework that needs to be done to the fixable existing stone with cost \$350.00 per day, thru Smith Memorial in Searsport, Maine.

David also brought up the Porta Potty at Myles Gardner's on the Belfast Road and that it is out of compliance. David will be returning to speak with Mr. Barnes again regarding this issue.

Mary Donley will be touching base with Smith Memorial regarding pricing.

Resident Dereck Spaulding wants to head up a group of volunteers to help clean up the town. Derek is going to write up a proposal with what he wants to do and how to accomplish his plan.

Rose Hubbard has sold her home. She has paid her taxes ahead of schedule and has requested a refund of \$608.47. A motion was made by selectman Bruce Grass to go ahead with the refund, this motion was seconded by 1<sup>st</sup> selectman Galen Larrabee. Voted on 3-0 in favor.

We received only 1 bid for sand, this was by Ron Littlefield at \$10.00 a yard. Town is waiting to get a price and timeframe on salt.

It was discussed if the town wants to install drop boxes for absentee ballots. If these boxes were to be installed they have to be permanent and with 24hr security monitoring. Motion was brought by selectman Galen Larrabee and 2<sup>nd</sup> by William Ingraham. Voted 3-0 against.

Kennebec Valley Council of Government (KVCOG) is working with the Town of Freedom on a Maine's Community Resiliency Partnership (CPR). Freedom anticipates submitting a Service Provider Grant under the program which may involve property owned by Freedom, a portion of which lies within the town of Knox. It was decided by a vote of 3-0 in favor to be open to discussion upon more information on what they plan to do at said property.

Ann Hubbard, whom is the grant writer for the town discussed the grant process for the culvert on the Shibles Road. The town will have to hire an engineer to go forward with this grant process. Randy Butler with Dirigo Engineering met with Ann and selectman William Ingraham to take measurements and discuss project. It will cost \$4000.00 to \$6000.00 dollars for the engineers first phase of the project. Galen made a motion to pursue the first phase and this was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce Grass. Voted 3-0 in favor.

Ann Hubbard will follow up with Dirigo Engineering.

Selectman William Ingraham motioned to end meeting at 7:31pm Galen Larrabee 2<sup>nd</sup> voted 3-0 in favor. Meeting has been set to continue.

Meeting closed at 7:31pm To be continued,

Meeting reopened at 12:13 pm on September 9, 2022 By 1<sup>st</sup> selectmen Galen Larrabee

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Galen Larrabee made a motion to commit 2022 real estate and personal property taxes, William Ingraham 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

Taxes were signed and committed and motion was made by William Ingraham to close the meeting. Galen Larrabee 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

Meeting closed at 12:29pm

  
Mary Donley

Town Clerk