



**TOWN OF TREMONT
REGULAR SELECTMEN'S MEETING
TREMONT TOWN OFFICE, HARVEY KELLEY MEETING ROOM
6:00 PM MONDAY JANUARY 6th, 2014**

MINUTES

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** *By Chairman, Christopher Eaton at 6PM*
- 2. ROLL CALL:** *Selectmen Christopher Eaton, Hugh Gilley, James LaPrade, Dean Wass, & Robert Lee III, Town Manager, Carl Young, Clerk, Lynn Wehrfritz, Harbor Master, Gregg Dow, Fire Chief, Keith Higgins, Reporter, Mark Good*
- 3. ADJUSTMENTS/ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**
Motion by Christopher Eaton, to move item 6C to after item 8C, second by Robert Lee
Vote 5 Yes 0 No
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of December 16th, 2013:**
Motion by Hugh Gilley, to approve of the minutes of the December 16th Selectmen's meeting, seconded by Robert Lee.
Vote 5 Yes 0 No
- 5. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS:**
WARRANT #68 \$2838.75
WARRANT #69 \$8498.11
WARRANT#70 \$7231.17
WARRANT#71 \$6992.28
WARRANT#72 \$159242.58
Motion by Hugh Gilley, to approve warrants 68-72, seconded by Bob Lee.
Vote 5 Yes 0 No
- 6. NEW BUSINESS:**
 - A. Municipal Review Committee request for resolution approval.**
The Town Manager attended the annual MRC meeting in Bangor and was presented with this resolution to be reviewed by the Board.
Motion made by James LaPrade, to approve the resolution, seconded by Hugh Gilley.
Vote 5 Yes 0 No
 - B. Bangor Hydro Electric application for utility location permit (Ann's Point Road)**
Motion by Robert Lee, to approve the Bangor Hydro application, seconded by Hugh Gilley.
Vote 5 Yes 0 No
 - C. Executive Session pursuant to Title 1 M.R.S. ss 405(6)(A) for a personnel matter (Town Manager performance review)**
Adjusted to follow item 8C

7. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Appointments: None

B. Tremont Road MPI Project Agreement

The Town Manager presented documentation from two previous meetings and indicated that the project would deplete the highway reserve funds and that the draft 2013 audit indicates a low June 30th undesignated reserve.

Christopher Eaton expressed that the people voted to do this project already and the cost is as expected and feels they will lose the State's funding on it if they wait.

Dean Wass pointed out that we would have to come up with a little more than originally planned.

Robert Lee wants to know if we are thinking about taking additional money out of other reserves, Carl said not at this time.

Chris says he sees no problem and suggests go ahead.

Sidewalks were discussed as well as a bike lane.

Dean Wass would like to have a guarantee the work will not go over and if it does who pays if it

Motion made by Jim LaPrade, to start with the process to reconstruct the road, and authorize the Town Manager to sign the MPI Agreement, seconded by Robert Lee.

Vote 5 Yes 0 No

C. Water testing and remediation associated with the closed landfill.

A letter of thank-you from the Hortons was presented.

Town Manager reported that the new Wagner's well was tested as ok but should be retested regularly.

A letter from the DEP was presented indicating that the Town has been approved for \$16,841.00 in reimbursements.

No action taken

D. Bid opening for the sale of excess Town property (Swenson salt/sand spreader)

Opening of bid #1 bid from John Goodwin's of \$3010.00 in screened winter sand delivered to the salt shed and mixed with owner supplied salt, price per yard is the same as now.

Opening of bid #2 from L.P. Williams Company for \$2755.00

Motion made by James LaPrade, to accept the bid from John Goodwin Jr, seconded by Bob Lee

Vote 5 Yes 0 No

E. Report of pending projects:

1. Repair of John Deere tractor

The Town Manager reported that he has not been successful in making all the arrangements to have the tractor taken to Bangor and a replacement available to use while it is gone.

Dean Wass asked how often the fluid needed to be topped off?

The Town Manager was not sure but indicated that it had been leaking for 2 or more years and was running fine.

Dean Wass asked if it would not be easier to wait until summer to have it fixed?

No action taken

2. Community Building basketball hoop replacement

Meeting with Pam Bush from 8-9 at the school about the Hoop replacement next Monday

The Town Manager indicated that he was given an estimate of \$15000.00 after the last meeting.

No action taken

8. TOWN MANAGERS REPORT:

A. Maine Coastal Program Coastal Access Guide

Copy & information presented

B. Employee letters of appreciation

The Town Manager spoke about the Town's employees doing great work even though they are facing many challenges with 1/3 less employees. Copies of the letters were presented.

C. Insurance Risk Pool loss report

Loss report concerning a part from one of the Town's fire trucks was presented.

It was reported that the I R S has forgiven the recent penalty assessed against the Town.

The work of the plow crews was commended.

Bob Lee said that the roads were the worst he had seen and should have been much better cleaned off and the weekends were a mess.

The Town Manager mentioned that not pre-treating the material is making the job more difficult.

Robert Lee said the roads were a disgrace and we need to be better, they need to be worked with salt and gravel.

Dean Wass said he heard complaints about the roads on Sunday.

Robert Lee expressed his concern that the Harbor Master should have less to do with the roads and he puts in too much time. And wanted to know who calls in the plow crews during the day?

The Town Manager said he would work harder in taking care of the roads in winter.

6C. Executive Session pursuant to Title 1 M.R.S. ss 405(6)(A) for a personnel matter (Town Manager performance review)

Motion by Robert Lee, to go to Executive Session pursuant to Title 1 M.R.S. ss 405(6)(A) for a personnel matter, Town Manager Performance Review, seconded by James LaPrade.

Vote 5 Yes 0 No

6C. Motion by James LaPrade, to come out of Executive Session at 8:10, seconded by Robert Lee

Vote 5 Yes 0 No

9. SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING: *Budget schedule*

10. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY COME IN LATE AND ARE FOR THE BOARDS INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY, NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN, UNLESS BOARD REQUESTS IT BE PLACED ON AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING.

11. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: *January 21st, 2014*

12. ADJOURN: *Motion by Robert Lee, to adjourn at 8:11, seconded by James LaPrade*
All in favor

Approved 21 January 2014
