

MAPLETON SELECT BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, November 9, 2022

5:30 PM – Conference Room
Minutes

Call to Order at 5.55 PM by Board Chair, Barry Buck

Present – Chair Barry Buck, Travis Mastro, and Matt Gregg.

Absent – Scott Young

Staff Present – Sandra Fournier, Town Manager

Public Comments – None

Review and Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting October 18, 2022

Motion was made by **Gregg** to approve the minutes of the Select Board meeting as presented.

Second by **Mastro**.

Motion passed 3-0.

Review, Approve, and Sign Treasurer Warrants # 79-85

Motion was made by **Gregg** to approve the Treasurer Warrants as presented.

Second by **Mastro**.

Motion passed 3-0.

Old Business-None

New Business

Review and Approve Central Aroostook Humane Society Contract

The 2023 purposed Central Aroostook Humane Society Contract was discussed. Maine State Statute requires the Town of Mapleton to contract with an animal shelter. The Central Aroostook Humane Society has used the 2020 census to maintain a \$1.90 per capita rate. This rate has remained flat since 2017. Although according to the 2020 Census the Town of Mapleton has had a decrease in population.

Motion by **Mastro** to authorize the Town Manager to sign and execute the Central Aroostook Humane Society Contract on behalf of the Mapleton Select Board.

Second by **Gregg**.

Motion passed 3-0.

Review and Approve Mapleton Planning Board Appointments

The Select Board appoints residents for all committees and boards.

The Town has received two resignation notices from Wes Lavigne (2023) and Nick Straetz (2024) for the Mapleton Planning Board. Cole Richards (2023) has moved outside of Mapleton; this makes him ineligible to serve on the Planning Board.

Due to these resignations, there are now 3- vacancies on the board. Nominations presented for Planning Board are Alexis Bell, Kevin Condon and Evan Richards.

Motion by **Mastro** to approve the nominations as presented, and appoint Alexis Bell, Kevin Condon, and Evan Richards to the Mapleton Planning Board.

Second by **Gregg**.

Motion passed 3-0.

Review and Approve Mapleton Cemetery Policy

Pursuant to M RSA Title 13, in the absence or dissolution of a Cemetery Association/Corporation the municipality assumes responsibility. Therefore, the Town of Mapleton assumed responsibility of all cemeteries in June 2022. The last set of by-laws that were created for the Mapleton cemetery was in 1912. These by-laws are insufficient for current day and must be amended to provide proper maintenance for the cemeteries.

In October a draft copy of the new Mapleton Cemetery Policy was presented to the Select Board for review.

Motion by **Gregg** to approve the Mapleton Cemetery Policy as presented.

Second by **Mastro**.

Motion passed 3-0.

Other: Review and Approve Cable Franchise Agreement

After quick review and presented with the legal advice from Rudman Winchell, the Town Manager determined that the current franchise agreement as presented would not alter or interfere with the expansion of broadband services in our area.

Motion was made by **Mastro** to approve the Cable Franchise Agreement, and authorize the Town Manager to sign and execute the Agreement on behalf of the Mapleton Select Board.

Second by **Gregg**.

Motion passed 3-0.

Set Next Meeting Date(s):

Select Board Budget Meetings – Wednesday, December 14, 2022 @ 5:30PM

Joint Select Board Budget Meeting – Tuesday, December 20, 2022 @ 6:00PM

Adjourn at 6:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Sandra L. Fournier

Town Manager