

Selectmen's Meeting

September 7, 2016 Bristol Town Office

Present: Chad Hanna, Terry Lowd, Paul Yates, Kristine Poland

Also present: Todd Richards, Maia Zewert

Amendments to the Agenda

• There were no amendments to the agenda.

Minutes

 A motion was made by Lowd to approve the minutes of August 17th and August 24th as written. The motion was seconded by Yates and carried.

Building Permits and Code Enforcement

- Lockhart, tax map 4 lot 87-E-4, 40-16/17, approved.
- A letter to Lisa Brackett dated September 6th concerning a notice of violation issued by the Code Enforcement Officer was reviewed and deemed reasonable by the selectmen.

Assessing

- Davidson, tax map 29 lots 34 and 32B, request for abatement. A motion was made by Yates to accept Parker Appraisals assessment and to deny abatement. The motion was seconded by Lowd and carried.
- Duhamel, tax map 5 lot 38D, request for abatement. Approved.
- Acheson, tax map 4 lot 1, supplemental assessment. Approved.
- Nichols, request for farmland exemption for 2016. The property was conveyed to Nichols following April 1st. The selectmen have no problem supporting an exemption for 2017 as long as all statutory criteria are met.

Quitclaim Deed

• Reviewed and signed a deed releasing interest due to matured tax liens against 42 Upper Round Pond Road.

Dawes Vista

• A request by Pemaquid Point Association to erect a granite marker with an inscription at Pemaquid Point, on the front side of the Pemaquid Loop Road, was approved. The motion was made by Lowd with the stipulation that the association be charged to maintain the marker. The motion was seconded by Yates and carried.

Harrington Cemetery

• The Harrington Cemetery Association requested \$1,000 toward this year's monument restoration. The Town does not currently have a budget for private cemetery maintenance beyond maintenance of veterans' graves. The selectmen will consider a request from the association during the annual budget process.

Wotton Bait Trailer

 Reviewed an email message from Kerry and Susan Emanuel concerning noise from a diesel compressor attached to Wotton's bait trailer. The selectmen agree that there isn't much they can do as long as the operation is seasonal and is compliant with Town ordinance requirements.

Miscellaneous Correspondence

- The selectmen will be unable to attend Lincoln Academy's "State of the School" presentation on Wednesday September 21st at 7:30 pm due to their own meeting held at the same time.
- Maine Municipal's annual business meeting will be held Wednesday October 5th. It is unlikely that someone from Bristol will be attending the convention on that particular day.
- The Town received a \$1,815 dividend check from the Maine Municipal Association as a result of our good loss experience and loss prevention programs.
- The Lincoln County Budget Advisory Committee caucus for municipal officers will be held Thursday September 8th at 6:00 pm. Chad Hanna is a current member of the committee and plans to attend the caucus.
- Selectmen were reminded of the need for a nomination for the Spirit of America Foundation award. They will consider potential nominees.

Bike/Ped Signs

• The selectmen agreed to mark locations for additional signs on a map for MaineDOT. Todd Richards will send an email to the town administrator identifying locations he feels would be appropriate for additional signs.

Road Paving

 Pike Industries was asked to price out Cozy Cottage Road. Hanna will ask road crew to check the road from a prep standpoint. Everything included in Pike's bid, including the options, are approved for this year's paving schedule.

Bristol Mills Dam

- The selectmen intend to begin the drawdown of the dam approximately a week in advance of maintenance grouting. Knowles Industrial will be advised that the selectmen agree to the October schedule relayed in an email from Joe McLean of Wright-Pierce.
- The selectmen received written feedback from the Lincoln County Planner and from Pemaquid Watershed Association as a result of the August 24th meeting concerning removal of the dam.

Other Business

• Reviewed and approved disbursement warrants for the week.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting will be held Wednesday September 21st at 7:00 pm.

Executive Session

• Entered executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (F) to discuss an application for abatement due to poverty.

Abatement, Case #1

• A motion was made by Yates to abate \$929.04 due to reasons of poverty. The motion was seconded by Lowd and carried.

Adjourned.