



TOWN OF MADAWASKA
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**Madawaska Board of Selectmen PUBLIC HEARING and MEETING Minutes
Madawaska Town Office Board Chambers
August 9, 2022 @ 5:15 PM**

PUBLIC HEARING

**Public Hearing to Receive Public Comment Regarding a New Malt, Vinous, and Restaurant Liquor
License for Long Lake Bar and Grill, LLC @ 744 Lake Shore Rd. St. David, ME**

Members Present: Richard J. Dionne, Christopher Braley, Jason Boucher, and Manon Raymond

Town Manager: Gary M. Picard

Recording Secretary: Nathalie Morneault

Others Present: Roger Morneault, Ross Dubois, Dave Ouellette, Kevin Dube

Board of Selectman Richard J. Dionne calls the Public Hearing to order at 5:15 p.m. and asked the crowd if anyone had any public comment for or against Long Lake Bar and Grill, LLC.

Richard J. Dionne asked another 2 times if anyone had any public comment for or against Long Lake Bar and Grill, LLC.

No Comment was made.

Public Hearing adjourned at 5:17 P.M.

**Madawaska Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
5:30 pm**

Members Present: Richard J. Dionne, Christopher Braley, Jason Boucher, and Manon Raymond

Town Manager: Gary M. Picard

Recording Secretary: Nathalie Morneault

Others Present: David Ouellette, Ross Dubois, Kevin Dube, Eric Cyr, Kathleen Lagasse, Gene Savoie, Tim Goumas, Paul Lausier

Board of Selectmen Chairman Richard J. Dionne calls the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and established a quorum with Selectmen Christopher Braley, Jason Boucher, and Manon Raymond.

- **Pledge of Allegiance.**
- **Public Participation.**

This portion of the meeting is to allow the public to inform the Board regarding their concerns. Public Participation is limited to ten minutes, of which two minutes will be allotted individually. Please be advised that individuals addressing concerns will be placed on the Board's next regular meeting agenda unless the issue addressed is one of an emergency nature. The Chairperson or Acting Chairperson will use his/her discretion as to whether action on any particular issue



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should be taken at this meeting. Items regarding personnel issues or town employees cannot be discussed in open session.

No Public Comment.

ARTICLES OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN OF BUSINESS

Article 1 To Consider Other Business and Adjustments to the Agenda.

No Other Business and Adjustments to the agenda.

Article 2 To Consider the Board Meeting Minutes of June 23 and July 12, 2022.

5:31 P.M. Jason Boucher motions to accept the board meeting minutes of June 23 and July 12, 2022 as presented. Christopher Braley seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carried.

Article 3 To Consider the Treasurer's Warrants.

5:31 P.M. Christopher Braley motions to accept the Treasurer's Warrants as presented. Jason Boucher seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carried.

Article 4 To Consider a Request by Timothy Goumas to Reduce the Speed Limit on a Section of Lakeshore Road.

Mr. Goumas has been as his residence for a year and has complaints regarding the speed on a section of Lakeshore Road. He has had numerous calls to the Police Department and to the Town Manager followed by with e-mails. He would like to ask the board to consider 3 things:

1. Reduce the Speed from Green Point Road to the Golf Course to 35 mph.
2. Ticketing Radar System – to deter the speeders during the day and if speeding the ticket is sent in the mail.
3. Removable Speed Bumps – to be removed during the winter months.

One of his concerns would be the children that play near road or if a ball would cross the road and the speeders would hit a child. There is a small percentage of speeders at certain times of the day.

Police Chief, Ross Dubois, had a radar speed trailer at the location for about 15 days. There was a total of 5,838 vehicle traffic. The Average speed was 44 mph, 6 vehicles would be criminal speeds, and the highest speed recorded with 80 mph. The fastest traffic speed is usually around 4 pm and the largest vehicle traffic is around 8 am. Chief Dubois would like to see signs placed on both sides of chapel road due to there is only one at the beginning of Lakeshore Road and no other sign until the reducing of 35mph.

Gene Savoie stated it is a small group of vehicles since he has been living up there. When he was in Connecticut, the Police Department would put out a cruiser with a dummy doll sitting in the cruiser and some days it would be a real officer.



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Tim Goumas stated when he talked to DOT, Madawaska has only asked for a survey 3 times.

By Consensus, the board wishes to have a DOT survey done to the road, put up 2 signs out by Chapel Road, and place the old cruiser up at the lake.

Article 5 To Consider a Spiritous, Vinous, Malt Restaurant Lounge Liquor License and Entertainment Permit Application for Long Lake Bar and Grill, LLC, located at 744 Lakeshore Rd. St David, ME.

6:05 P.M. **Jason Boucher motions to approve the Spiritous, Vinous, Malt Restaurant Lounge Liquor License and Entertainment Permit Application for Long Lake Bar and Grill, LLC, located at 744 Lakeshore Rd. St David, ME. Christopher Braley seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carried.**

Article 6 To Consider a Request by Ron Ouellette for a Private Sewer Line Easement Across 11 Green Point Road, Special Town Meeting Vote Required.

6:08 P.M. **Jason Boucher motions to accept the request by Ron Ouellette for a Private Sewer Line Easement Across the 11 Green Point Road and to bring it to Special Town Meeting Vote. Christopher Braley seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carried.**

Article 7 To Consider a Special Town Meeting Warrant to Adopt the "Resolution of the Town of Madawaska to Update the Municipal Officers Title to Members of the Selectboard / Assessors /Board of Overseers"

State Law approved, but not mandatory by the Governor June 17, 2021, to update and eliminate references in statute to Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor to members of the Select Board. This would need to go to Town Meeting.

No action was taken.

Article 8 To Consider a Request by the Ambulance Director Purchase Replacement Communication Radios with Funds from the Ambulance Dept. Reserve Account.

Full Timers are issued radios upon employment, due to the 3 new positions, Ambulance Director Eric Cyr is asking for the purchase of 3 new radios.

6:10 P.M. **Christopher Braley motions to accept the request for the purchase of Communication Radios with funds from the Ambulance Department Reserve Account. Manon Raymond seconds the motion. All board members are in favor, Jason Boucher abstains. Motion Carried.**



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Article 9 To Consider Bids Received for Winter Sand.

One bid was received for the Winter Sand Bid. The bid received was from Mark Albert for:

\$6.00 / yard Loaded
\$10/ yard delivered

This is an increase from last year, but Public Works will be going to get the Winter Sand. Public Works Department has been reducing the amount of sand they use.

6:13 P.M. Jason Boucher motions to accept the bid from Mark Albert (Bert Albert & Sons LLC) in the amount of \$18,000 picked up. Christopher Braley seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carried.

Article 10 To Consider an Update from the Public Works Director on the 2022 Roads Paving Project

The Contract for Paving was built with an escalator clause due to the fuel prices. The price goes by what the rack price of liquid asphalt is, and these prices can change daily. Currently the contractor is looking at coming the 3rd or 4th week of August. The contractor has agreed to honor the price another year. Due to the high prices currently, we have lost the equivalent of 3 miles of paving.

No action was taken.

Article 11 To Consider the Madawaska Water District Notice of Hearing for Water Rate Fee Increases.

Madawaska Water District had given notice to the Town Manager for budgeting purposes of the increase. This increase was already built into the budget. Due to formality, they do need to have a public hearing.

No Action was taken.

Article 12 To Consider Liquor / Extension of Premise / Catering Licenses Processed Under Board Pre-Authorization.

A list was provided to the Board of Selectmen to show whom had obtained a Liquor / Extension of Premise / Catering License this year.

No Action was taken.

Article 13 To Consider Tax Abatements Processes Under Board Pre-Authorization.

A list was provided to the board of Selectmen for abatements that were applied due to Homestead exemptions, depreciation schedule not working right.

No Action was taken.



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Article 14 To Consider Discussion Regarding Legal Concerns of the Town's Itinerant Vending Ordinance.

A complaint was received at the Town Office regarding Food Trucks from other towns coming to Madawaska to set up at various locations. In searching the Town Meeting Minutes, a Vending Ordinance was approved back in 2000.

A concern that was stated was Is it an issue, and the Town needs to be careful about what is enforced? The ordinance would need to be changed but not wiped out completely.

6:45 P.M. Jason Boucher motions to gather more information and make a sample to bring back to the Board of Selectmen. Christopher Braley seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carried.

Article 15 Town Manager's Report.

Town Manager gave a brief summary / update on each topic.

- International Bridge Project Update
- MDOT Village Partnership & PPI Update
- Town Department Vacancies
- Mid-Town Plaza Project
- Property Assessing Work
- Trio Training
- MMA Convention
- Engie / Madawaska Solar PILOT Agreement

Sale of Property on 25th Ave – 2 interested abutters are interested in the property.

Paul Lausier asked if another barrel can be placed at the Bicentennial Park near the Fireplace, there is only 2.

Next Meeting Date: *September 6, 2022, at 5:30 PM*

Adjournment

6:57 P.M. Christopher Braley motions to adjourn. Jason Boucher seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carried.