



TOWN OF MADAWASKA
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**Madawaska Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING
Monday June 8, 2020 at 5:30 pm**

SELECTMEN PRESENT: Donald Chasse, Doug Cyr, Laurie Gagnon, and David Morin

TOWN MANAGER: Gary M. Picard

RECORDING SECRETARY: Nathalie Morneault

OTHER PRESENT: Jamie Pelletier, Ross Dubois, Paul Lausier, Cassandra Michaud, Jason Boucher, Kevin Dube, John Cyr, Al Beaulieu, Bert Lachance, Jane Carter, Sam Cyr, Bryan Albert, Mark Madore, Linda Cyr, Fran Gendreau, Gerald Ouellette, Daniel Daigle, Diane Boucher, Eric Cyr, Keith Cyr, Kim and Scott Levesque, David Ouellette, Laurier Gagnon, Gary Dufour, Dick Michaud, Jim Soucy.

Chairman Donald Chasse calls the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. and established a quorum with Selectmen Doug Cyr, Laurie Gagnon, and David Morin.

Article 11 will be taken out of order and will be After Article 2.

Article 1 To Consider the Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes of May 18, 2020.

5:32 P.M. Laurie Gagnon motions to approve the Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes of May 18, 2020 as presented. Doug Cyr seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

Article 2 To Consider a Period of Public Participation.

A resident commended the Madawaska Police Department for their work.

A resident question about the Community Gym re-opening.

A resident made a presentation on a watershed issue going on at his home. He is requesting for the Town of Madawaska to reimburse him \$393 for the work that was done, due to it falling on the right of way.

A resident asked what could be done with Music In the Park due to the current COVID-19 guidelines.

Articles will be moved around to accommodate the speakers in the audience.

Article 11 To Consider an Executive Session per 1 M.R.S.A § 405 (6) (F) for Consultations with Legal Counsel.

6:00 P.M. Doug Cyr motions to enter in executive session for a consultation with legal counsel recommended per 1 M.R.S.A §405(6)(F). Laurie Gagnon seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.



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6:37 P.M. Doug Cyr motions to exit out of executive session with legal counsel pertaining to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(F). David Morin seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

Post-Executive Action:

David Morin motions to pursue the validity of the Term Agreement between Twin Rivers Paper Company and the Town of Madawaska. Doug Cyr seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

Article 3 To Consider Other Business and Adjustments to the Agenda.

- To consider a funding request for the Madawaska Historical Society for the Roof Repair of the Albert Home, discussion continued from the May 18, 2020 BOS Meeting.

Madawaska Historical Society gave a presentation about the roof repair. They also requested if they can be put a yearly discussion during the budget cycle.

7:05 P.M. Doug Cyr motions to allow the Madawaska Historical Society to borrow \$8,000 from the UDAG program as a loan, to be re-paid in 1 year with 0% interest. David Morin seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

Selectmen also advised to reach out to the Acadian Festival Committee to see if they would have money to help contribute to the repairs.

Article 6 To Consider an Update from the Public Works Director for Road Repair Projects.

Public Works director gave an update on Projects they would like to be able to tackle in town and out of town roads.

7:44 P.M. David Morin motions to proceed to fix the road, use \$280,000 of the budget for repairs, hot top, shiming, buying a piece of equipment. No second motion was made. Motion is not carried.

7:47 P.M. Laurie Gagnon motions to allow public works to proceed with proposed plan as presented, with a guidance of using 50% total of the budgeted line. (\$82,000 remanding plus \$150,000). David Morin seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

Article 8 To Consider a Land Use Agreement for the Sewer Department ENDICO Septage Site.

7:50 P.M. David Morin motions to accept the land use agreement for the Sewer Department Endico septage site with David Ouellette. Doug Cyr seconds the motion. Laurie Gagnon abstains, 3 board members (Dave, Doug and Don) are in favor. Motion carries.



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7:50 P.M. Doug Cyr motions to continue the Board of Selectmen meeting passed the 2-hour mark. David Morin seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

Article 9 To Consider the Police Department Request to Change MEPEERS Retirement Plan for New Officers. Presentation by Lieutenant Jamie Pelletier.

8:09 P.M. David Morin motions to move forward on the purposed 3C proposal. Laurie Gagnon seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

Article 7 To Consider an Update from the Recreation Department Director for Recreation Department Summer Programs.

Recreation Department Director gave a presentation on what the results were for Summer Rec. survey. Parents chose to go with Option A which entailed having Rec Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Fridays. Wednesdays would be dedicated for cleaning.

8:15 P.M. David Morin motions to approve the proposed Recreation Department Summer activities. Doug Cyr seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

Re-Opening of the Community Gym

Governor Mills has released guidelines to re-open the gym June 12, 2020. The Recreation Department has worked very hard to abide by regulations on spacing between equipment, sanitizing, and how keep members safe. A waiver of liability will need to be signed by each member before they continue their membership.

8:25 P.M. David Morin motions to move ahead with the procedures of the gym guidelines and waiver of liability. Laurie Gagnon seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

Article 3 To Consider Other Business and Adjustments to the Agenda.

- To Consider a Proposal by Reliance Equipment for repairs to the E4 Fire Truck, Funds to be drawn from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Account.

8:28 P.M. David Morin motions to move forward with the proposal by Reliance Equipment for the repairs of E4 Fire Truck, funds would be drawn from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Account. Doug Cyr seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

- To consider the sale of town properties by the Board of Selectmen, terms to be approved at the annual town meeting.



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8:30 P.M. David Morin motions to have a Special Town Meeting to authorize the sale of the Public Works abandoned Pit located in Frenchville. To have legal paperwork drawn up with the starting bid amount of \$35,000 and sold as is. Public Works will be allowed to remove rock before bid is awarded. The bid money would go back to Public Works. Doug Cyr seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

- To consider the retirement of a 40-year pollution control employee, Walter Parker.

No motion was made. The Board of Selectmen wish Mr. Parker well and thank him for his service to the Town of Madawaska.

Article 10 To Consider Three (3) Liquor License Renewal Applications for; Inn of Acadia LLC @ 384 St. Thomas Street, Chez Helen's @ 109 12th Avenue, and Tang Palace @ 405 Main Street.

To Consider a request for Extension for License on Premise for Big Rick's Burger and Wings LLC at 284 Main Street.

8:45 P.M. David Morin motions to accept the renewal applications for Inn of Acadia LLC, Chez Helen's, and Tangs Palace; Also, to approve the extension license for on premise liquor for Big Rick's Burger and Wings LLC. Doug Cyr seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

Article 4 To Consider the Treasurers Warrants.

8:48 P.M. Doug Cyr motions to accept the Treasurers Warrants. Laurie Gagnon seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

Article 5 Update for the 11th Avenue Parking Lot / Pocket Park Easement.

The Easement Deed was done for the 11th Ave Parking Lot / Pocket Park area. No motion was made.

Article 3 To Consider Other Business and Adjustments to the Agenda.

- To Consider a letter of Resignation from a Planning Board Member.

8:50 P.M. Doug Cyr motions to accept the resignation for Planning board members Thomas Schneck, and to advertise for new members in the newspaper. Laurie Gagnon seconds the motion. All board member in favor and motion carries.

Article 12 To Consider the Town Manager's Operations Update Report.

- All Department have returned to work, except the Library. All employees must wear a face mask, when social distancing cannot be maintained. Proper signage has been placed in all buildings. Requirements for June to August have been increased to 50 or less.



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- Board Meetings have been temporarily moved to the Multi-Purpose Center or the Madawaska High School Library to accommodate the occupancy limits per square feet for indoor space.
- Elections is set for July 14 at the Multi-Purpose Center to accommodate crowd size.

Article 3 To Consider Other Business and Adjustments to the Agenda.

- To consider a nomination for the LPC Board.

9:00 P.M. Doug Cyr motions to nominate Gary M Picard for the LPC Board. Laurie Gagnon seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

Article 13 To Consider the Town Manager Annual Evaluation; Executive Session Recommended per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A).

Laurie Gagnon motions to enter into an executive session at **9:00 P.M.** for the town manager annual evaluation recommended per “1 M.R.S.A §405 (6)(A)”. Doug Cyr seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

Doug Cyr motions to exit out of executive session at **10:01 P.M.** discussing the town managers annual evaluation recommended per “1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6)(A). Laurie Gagnon seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.

No Post executive action taken.

Adjournment

10:01 P.M. Laurie Gagnon motions to adjourn. Doug Cyr seconds the motion. All board members are in favor and motion carries.