

## TOWN OF MADAWASKA

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#### **Madawaska Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday March 15, 2016 @ 5:15 PM

#### At the Madawaska Town Office

SELECTMEN PRESENT: Brian Thibeault; Chairman, Dave Morin, Vincent Frallicciardi, Chad Carter

TOWN MANAGER: Ryan D. Pelletier

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** Sarah Pelletier

OTHERS PRESENT: Andrew Dube, Tory Jones Bonenfant, Danny Chasse, Paul Lausier

Chairman Thibeault calls the meeting to order at 5:15p.m. and a quorum of four members was established.

ARTICLE 1 To consider the meeting minutes of February 11, 2016.

Vincent Frallicciardi motions to accept the Minutes as written; Dave Morin seconds the motion. All Board members are in favor and the motion carries.

ARTICLE 2 To consider adjustments to the agenda.

No adjustments to the articles have been made.

ARTICLE 3 To consider the Treasurer Warrant(s).

Vincent Frallicciardi motions to accept the Warrant as presented; Chad Carter seconds the motion. All Board members are in favor and the motion carries.

ARTICLE 4 To consider a period of public participation.

Madawaska resident, Paul Lauzier, informed the Board of the potholes located in K-mart parking lot.

#### ARTICLE 5 To consider disposal of a foreclosed property.

The Selectmen discussed the foreclosed property located on Map 6 Lot 215. The current owners have not made an attempt to pay the outstanding Real Estate taxes or Sewer bills pertaining to this property. Local resident, Jim Kiger is offering four thousand dollars (\$4000.00) to obtain the property. This proposed amount would cover the outstanding Real Estate Tax, Sewer and Water bills.

Vincent Frallicciardi motions to accept the bid of \$4,000.00 from Jim Kiger; Chad Carter seconds the motion. All the Board members are in favor and the motion carries.

#### ARTICLE 6 To consider two property tax abatements.

Madawaska resident Trokon Khoury is requesting an Abatement to his Real Estate tax bill for the 2015 tax year. Mr. Khoury had filed a Homestead Exemption form prior to April 1, 2015 and he was expecting an exemption to his 2015-16 tax bill but was somehow overlooked.

Chad Carter motions to accept the Abatement application by Trokon Khoury; Vincent Frallicciardi seconds the motion. All Board members are in favor and the motion carries.

Madawaska resident, Judy Levesque, is requesting an Abatement for the property that has been deeded to her. After a brief discussion on this application the Selectmen came to a decision.

Vincent Frallicciardi denies the Abatement application by Judy Levesque; Dave Morin seconds the motion. All Board members are in favor and the motion carries.

### ARTICLE 7 To consider discussion about electric fueling stations.

Chad Carter informs the Board members and the public of the need for electric vehicle charging stations in Northern Maine. Because of the growing popularity of these vehicles, charging stations will be a necessity. The Selectmen discussed this topic and came to the agreement that an Electric Fueling Station could be an added service offered to an established local business.

## ARTICLE 8 To consider a proposal from the police department regarding staffing

The Police Department is proposing to add another full time Police Officer to replace the Reserve Officer Program. The Reserve Officer Program has a high turnover rate, unavailability because of other employment, and lacks qualified or interested and/or experienced candidates. The proposal to add another full time Police Officer is more effective, more stable and less of a liability for the Town of Madawaska. The cost of an additional Officer to the department would increase the 2016 Budget \$1,832.00. Not adding the additional officer would result in an increase of approximately \$40,956.00.

#### ARTICLE 9 To review proposed budgets for 2016-2017.

## Police Department

Vincent Frallicciardi motions to accept the proposed budget of \$435,300.00 which include the proposed changes; Dave Morin seconds the motion. All the Board members are in favor and the motion carries.

## > Fire Department

Vincent Frallicciardi motions to accept the Fire Department Budget of \$122,060.00 which includes proposed changes; Dave Morin seconds the motion. All Board members are favor and the motion carries.

#### **Emergency Management**

Vincent Frallicciardi motions to accept Emergency Management Budget (EMA)

Budget; Chad Carter seconds the motion. All Board members are in favor and the motion carries.

## Parks, Recreation & Maintenance (Review Park Outline)

Town Manager, Ryan Pelletier, informs the Board of Selectmen that he has compacted Parks and Recreation and the Maintenance Departments as one Department Budget.

Chad Carter motions to accept the Budget at \$443,250.00; Vincent Frallicciardi seconds the motion. All Board members are in favor and the motion carries.

Chad Carter motion to approve the changes discussed (regarding the changes made to the Bicentennial Park) and to designate funding from the Youth Program Reserve

Account in the Parks and Recreation Budget. Vincent Frallicciardi seconds the motion.

All Board members are in favor and the motion carries.

#### Community Gym (Bathroom Facility Upgrade)

Vincent Frallicciardi motions to give Ryan Pelletier, Chad Carter and Dave Morin authority to discuss and go forward with the Community Gym project and authorizes them to spend monies towards the project which will be funded by the Revenue account; Chad Carter seconds the motion. All Board members are in favor and the motion carries.

#### Town Wide Insurances

Vincent Frallicciardi motions to accept the Town Wide Insurance Budget; Dave Morin seconds the motion. All Board members are in favor and the motion carries.

#### **OUT OF ORDER**

#### ARTICLE 1 To consider any other business before the Board of Selectmen.

Vincent Frallicciardi informs the Selectmen of the Zoning Sideline setbacks and the Utility building

Proposals that the Planning Board has approved and will be brought to a Special Town Meeting which

will take place on April 14, 2016.

Discussion regarding food vendors and the use of generators at the Farmer's Market took place.

#### ARTICLE 10 To consider an executive session pursuant to Title 1 § 405(6)(E).

Vincent Fralllicciardi motions to go into executive session at 7:38p.m.; Chad Carter seconds the motion. All Board members are in favor and the motion carries.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

# **FUTURE MEETING DATES:**

March 28, 2016 @5:15p.m.