TOWN OF CORINTH, MAINE
SELECTPERSON’S MEETING MINUTES
September 26, 2019

I. Roll Call
Selectpersons present: Carl Dow, Charlene Chesley, R. Stanley Bean, and David Dunfee
Absent: Terri Jane Casavant
Other attendees present: Travis Gould – Town Manager, Rosanne Young, Buzz and
Louise Caverly, Sonny Buswell, Eugene Scott, Bill Molloy, Scott Bragdon, Paul Speed,
Elwell and Cynthia Hicks, Casey Noyes, Josh Campbell, Dianne Hodgkins, and Norman
Patterson

II. Call to order
Carl Dow called to order the regular meeting of the Corinth Selectperson’s Meeting at 7
pm on September 26, 2019 at the Corinth Town Office.

III. Approval of the minutes from September 12, 2019
Motion: Charlene Chesley to accept the minutes as read.
Seconded by Stan Bean
Voted: 4-0

IV. Announcements
- Town road Paving Project has been completed.
- ATV trails will close October 20, 2019.
- Town gravel roads have been graded.
- Department of Labor inspected the Fire Department and found no issues or
  hazards, great job to Scott Bragdon.

V. Comments
- Carl Dow stated that this is the Selectperson’s meeting and not a public meeting.
  Comments can be made during the comment section or by being called upon.
  He would like to keep the meeting under 3-4 hours and make the meeting run as
  smoothly as possible by sticking with things on the agenda and don’t get off
  subject to keep track of what is going on.
- Eugene Scott of Ledge Hill Road would like to know what is going to be done
  with the house owned by Travis Gould on the Ledge Hill Road next door to his
  house. There is a rodent problem affecting his home. The property owner will
  look into the matter.

VI. Public Hearing on General Assistance Ordinance Appendices A-D & Appendix H
2019-2020
- Carl Dow opened the Public Hearing at 7:09 pm on September 26, 2019.
- These are the state guidelines that have to be followed for general assistance, even
  if not adopted, they need to be followed.
- The guidelines determine who qualify for general assistance.
- A copy of the guidelines is available at the Corinth Town Office.
- There were not public comments.
- Public Hearing closed at 7:14 pm.
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- Motion by David Dunfee to accept the General Assistance Ordinance Appendices A-D and Appendix H 2019-2020
- Second by Charlene Chesley
- Voted: 4-0

VII. Old Business

A. Discussion with Keith Ewing P.E. about generator wiring and switch exchange at the Fire Station
   - Keith has not gotten back to Travis regarding this. Travis will contact Keith.

B. Discussion about rust on the 2003 Ford Town pickup
   - Travis stated Moors Garage would like some money up front to buy supplies for the repair of the truck. This is not usually how the town does business. Travis spoke with Carl who recommended speaking to Rick Cormier about repairing the truck.
   - Rick Cormier will repair the truck for the stated amount, $1500.00, that Moors was going to repair it for. This amount includes the cost of the body.
   - The body has already been paid for at $400.00.
   - Travis will get a written quote from Rick Cormier.

VIII. New Business

A. Discussion with the Recreation Director about a Cheering program and Recreation Business
   - Paul Speed stated the Recreation Committee met and it was requested to add a cheering program. The committee agreed to the program.
   - The cheering program would be district wide and there would be a fee for kids in other towns, but Corinth kids would be free.
   - Parents will be responsible for the cost of uniforms.
   - Currently the cheering program has approximately 20-30 children.
   - The program would be for grades 3-5.
   - 5 mats will be purchased at $4200.00. The Recreation Committee will provide $2000.00 to go towards the mats and fundraising will make up the difference, currently $1600.00 has been raised.
   - The mats will be stored at CMS.
   - Once the mats have been purchased, money will be used for competition fees at the Cross Center and Hermon High School.
   - This program will be run as other recreation programs.
   - The committee wanted to make the Selectpersons aware of the new program and make sure it was ok to start the new program.
   - Selectpersons agreed with the new program.

B. Review proposed Fire Department Wheelchair Ramp from Care Services Co.
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• The proposal was less than expected since the company offered a discount for ramp sections that had been rented out.
• Motion by Charlene Chesley to accept written report for aluminum wheelchair ramp
• Second by Carl Dow
• Voted: 4-0

C. Discussion about scheduling Don Gerrish to meet with Selectperson and the Town Manager
• Carl Dow asked what are we thinking of getting out of this?
• There was concern expressed about the lack of trust, integrity and honesty that this could not be fixed with the help of Don Gerrish along with concern that some Selectpersons and Town Manager cannot work through the issues and move on.
• Travis Gould recommended he be let out of his 5-year contract.
• Motion by Charlene Chesley not to schedule Don Gerrish at this time
• Second by Stan Bean
• Vote: 4-0

D. Discussion about appointing committee members to the Old Home Day Committee
• Travis Gould recommended to appoint Old Home Day Committee to John Pomeroy, Kristan Bryant, Terri Jane Casavant, Seldon Wheeler, Rosanne Young, Betty LaForge for a 1-year term.
• Others are welcome to join the committee and help.
• July 11, 2020 tentative Old Home Day Date for 2020
• Motion by Carl Dow to allow John Pomeroy, Kristan Bryant, Terri Jane Casavant, Seldon Wheeler, Rosanne Young, Betty LaForge to a 1-year term from this date, September 26, 2019.
• Second by Charlene Chesley
• Vote: 4-0

E. Review Warrants #40 & 41
• Motion by Carl Dow to accept warrant #40 & 41
• Second by Stan Bean
• Voted: 4-0

IX. Other Business
A. Email from Town Attorney
• Copy of email given to Selectpersons regarding hiring minute recorder.
• Selectpersons can hire a third party to take minutes.
• Carl Dow will work with Rosanne Young to select a minute format.

B. Comments
• Buzz Caverly stated to stay away from name calling and negative
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comments at the meeting.
• Charlene Chesley mentioned there were large potholes on the Beans Mill Road and Morison Avenue. Travis Gould stated he had spoken to Jason Grant today regarding potholes.

C. Executive Session
• Motion by David Dunfee to enter Executive Session Under 1 M.R.S.A 405 – Personnel Issue
• Second by Charlene Chesley
• Vote: 4-0
• Executive Session entered at 7:58.
• Motion by David Dunfee to come out of Executive Session 1 M.R.S.A 405 at 8:16 pm
• Second by Carl Dow
• Vote: 4-0

D. Outcome of Executive Session
• Motion by Carl Dow to release Town Manager of Duties through his contract: with severance package, with lawyer writing up the final statement, and with no slander either way Selectpersons or Town Manager. Everything goes the same as it has been and have a cash audit done. Town Manager agreed, as the contract says, to work two weeks in town office from September 26, 2019 to October 10, 2019.
• Second by David Dunfee
• Vote: 4-0

X. Adjournment:
• Motion by Carl Dow to adjourn the meeting at 8:19pm
• Second by David Dunfee
• Vote: 4-0

Submitted by Rosanne Young,
Minute Recorder