TOWN OF CORINTH, MAINE
SELECTPERSONS’ MEETING OF
May 9, 2019

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 7:00PM by Carl Dow.

Selectpersons present: Carl Dow, R. Stanley Bean, Charlene Chesley, and David Dunfee. Terri Jane Casavant arrived at 7:06PM.

Others present: Travis Gould, Town Manager; Sara Torbett, Deputy Clerk; Irvin & Louise Caverly, Stewart Brooks, Kenneth Buswell, Jr., Terrance Duran, Stanley Grass, and Roseanne Young.

Minutes: Terri Jane Casavant made a motion to accept the Minutes of the Regular Selectpersons’ Meeting of April 11, 2019. The motion was seconded by Carl Dow and passed with a vote of 5-0. Charlene Chesley made a motion to table the Minutes of the Regular Selectperson’ Meeting of April 25, 2019. The motion was seconded by R. Stanley Bean and passed with a vote of 5-0.

There were comments made from some of the Selectboard that Minutes do not need to be so detailed and should record the motions made, seconds, and votes, along with a brief description of the agenda item. There was also mention that the drafted Minutes should be received by the Board earlier so they have time to review them before the meeting.

Announcements:
- Happy Mother’s Day
- Gravel roads will be graded soon
- The Town Manager hired Bre-Annah French to clean the Town Office at $12.00 per hour with a minimum of $25.00 per cleaning
- Town Manager posted for hiring an Assistant Recreation Coordinator and two Junior Rec Counselor positions

Comments:
- Irvin Caverly wanted to congratulate the Town and Town Manager for the success of the Roadside Clean-Up on Saturday, May 4th. He thought that it was well organized and people pulled together in support of everything from picking up litter to the food prepared by the Fire Department. He said thanks to all who helped.

Old Business:
A. The Town Manager said that he had contacted three different striping companies. On-the-Line, Inc. from Bangor gave an estimate of $869.00, Fine Line from Hermon was $950.00 and he received no response from Wilson’s Line Striping after contacting them twice. He recommended they go with On-The-Line, Inc. and get it done as soon as possible. The Town Manager confirmed that hash marks in the walkways are included so no one will park in front of the side door. R. Stanley Bean made a motion to go with On-the-Line, Inc. The motion was seconded by Carl Dow and passed with a vote of 5-0.

B. The Town Manager said that he called Harcros and emailed Cargill and there has been no response because it is too early. The deadline is May 17th and a decision should be made if we are going to go with Penobscot County. He recommended that the Board should go with the same as the County. It is safest to go with the County because they have the biggest purchasing power with all the Municipalities working together as a whole usually gets the best price. Historically, Morton Salt does as good or better than the County and last two years they have been equal with the County. R. Stanley Bean made a motion to hold off going with the County and stay with Morton Salt. The motion was seconded by Terri Jane Casavant passed with a vote of 5-0.
C. The Town Manager said that MMA had not gotten back to him about John Allen’s flooded basement.

D. Carl Dow researched on the MMA website on hiring an outside entity to work with the Selectboard and the Town Manager. MMA doesn’t do it, but they do use Don Gerrish. He signed up for a training class for Elected Officials in Dover in November. The Town Manager spoke with Don Gerrish on the phone and he was the only one in state that meets with the Town Manager and Board to describe the rolls and what each do. He works with them to be able to work together and communicate properly in order to be functional for the Town. David Dunfee says what he does is more like arbitration, which is different from the class. Carl Dow recommends everyone else should go to the Elected Officials training. Carl Dow made a motion to table it for now, remove it from the Agenda, and see what goes on. The motion was seconded by R. Stanley and passed with a vote of 3-2.

E. Reviewed and signed the policy for the Town pick-up usage. After discussion, the Board set the mileage reimbursement rate of $0.58 a mile. Carl Dow made a motion to accept the Town of Corinth Town Truck and Mileage Policy, effective May 9, 2019. The motion was seconded by David Dunfee and passed with a vote of 5-0.

F. The Town Manager gave info that last year in 2018 there was $2,000.00 in the election budget and we spent just under $1,600.00. This year for 2019 you have $2,100.00 in the budget, so not a lot to work with. When the Clerk works over 40 hrs, time and a half would be paid for overtime at about $25 per hour that would come out of that budget. It would be at least two times a year. David Dunfee mentioned that most places do not do overtime, instead they have them leave early on a different day and that’s what we are doing. The Town Manager says he tries to be flexible with the weekly time off scheduling and that seems to work best. There has been no complaints from the Deputy Clerks. This item will be removed from future agendas.

New Business:

A. Terri Jane Casavant made a motion to appoint Jennifer Thomas as softball coach for the Rec. The motion was seconded by Carl Dow and passed with a vote of 5-0.

B. The Town Manager said Donny Tate, President of ATV Club, came to see him and wanted to know if Town roads are open without the ATV trails being open. Stanley Grass said that state law says Town roads are not open until ATV trails are. R. Stanley Bean made a motion to only have Town roads open to ATVs when ATV trails are open. The motion was seconded by Carl Dow and passed with a vote of 5-0.

C. Reviewed Revenue Sharing & Excise tax revenues through April 30, 2019. The Town Manager said the excise is lower than this time last year, but is confident we should be fine on 2019 Excise Tax Revenue.

D. Carl Dow researched the MMA website about someone to take the minutes for the Selectboard Meetings. They can hire, find a volunteer or whoever they want. He also read that the Office is not required by statute to post an agenda or keep minutes of their meetings. They are not mandatory, but helpful to the Town. He did not get a 100% answer, but will do more research. Carl Dow made a motion to table it until there is more information. The motion was seconded by Charlene Chesley and passed with a vote of 5-0.

E. The following 2019 $100.00 scholarships were awarded from the Kiwanis Club Trust Fund: Faith Fugel, Luke Preble, Dustin Simmons (Charleston).

F. The following 2019 $100.00 scholarships were awarded from the Thelma B. Foster Trust Fund: Alyse Campbell, Erika Mitchell, Gage Poulin, and Madison Speed.

G. The following 2019 scholarships were awarded from the Geneva Mae Smith Trust Fund:
   1st year
   - $1,300 for 6 year program: Ian Wright
   - $1,200 for 4 year program: Kaitlyn Bailey, Alyse Campbell, Abigail Chandler, Tyler Collins, Joseph Cormier, Brandon Dow, Faith Fugel, Victoria Hallett,

- $450 for 2 year program: Katelynne Albright
- $1,200 for 4 year program: Kalena Parks and Sydney Allen

H. The Town Manager recommended to appoint Carolyn Chambers as Election Warden for the State Referendum & the MSAD/RSU 64 Referendum on June 11, 2019. R. Stanley made a motion to appoint Carolyn Chambers as Election Warden. The motion was seconded by Carl Dow and passed with a vote of 5-0.

I. Reviewed and signed the Regional School Unit Budget Validation Referendum Warrant and Notice of Election.

J. Carl Dow made a motion to accept Warrant #s 20 & 21. The motion was seconded by Charlene Chesley and passed with a vote of 5-0

Other Business:

- Stanley Grass talked to the Selectboard concerning the speeding issue on the road he lives on, Beech Grove Rd. There is heavy traffic on the road and the speed is 35mph, but no one goes that and there is a sharp corner. He is concerned for his daughter, who is still recovering from a car accident. He asked if the Board would consider lowering the speed limit to 25mph in front of his place and putting up some handicap signs. Carl Dow made a motion to lower the speed limit there to 25mph and put up handicap signs. The motion was seconded by R. Stanley Bean and passed with a vote of 5-0.
- The Town Manager informed the Board that the Fire Department received a Safety Enhancement Grant of $2,000.
- The Town Manager said that Kyle Kinney suggested buying different outdoor trash cans with covers. Carl Dow made a motion to authorize the Town Manager to work with Paul Speed, Rec Director and buy 3 trash cans and that the funds should come out of grounds maintenance. The motion was seconded by Terri Jane Casavant and passed with a vote of 5-0.
- Charlene Chesley asked the Town Manager if there is a rule about excessive trash on residents’ properties. She has received a few calls about a few locations of concern. The Town Manager asked her to direct complaints to the CEO.
- Charlene Chesley asked if a discussion for a policy for handling office mail can be added to new meeting’s agenda.
- Charlene Chesley asked if the Board needed to sign papers naming the office staff. The Town Manager mentioned that he appoints the office staff and he will do that and then the Board can sign them.
- The Town Manager informed the Board that the Heavy Loads Limit signs are not pulled off yet, but they did expire on May 1st.
- The Town Manager talked about the hot top in front of the Fire Station and that Ralph McNaughton will get to it soon.

Adjournment: David Dunfee made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45PM. The motion was seconded by Carl Dow and passed with a vote of 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Torbett
Deputy Clerk