

Working Selectboard Meeting

January 31, 2023

In attendance:

Ed Pentaleri

Linda Kristan

Charlie Culbertson

Jon Luoma

Beth Whitney

Call to order: 9:04

It was moved and seconded to approve minutes from Jan. 17 as amended. Motion passed.

Review of the draft budget from the Alna Volunteer Fire Department. Beth offered explanations and shared that the training pay needed to be updated.

Ed suggested that the LOSAP item be on a separate warrant item. Beth agreed to that suggestion.

LCTV will provide the sound system for the March town meeting.

Tom Aldrich will check into some possibilities for the cemetery trustees opening.

The warrant review will be scheduled for Feb. 22.

Ed will check with clerks about timing for absentee ballots.

The Roads Committee has been very successful, but it may be time to move to more formally noticed meetings rather than the *ad hoc* format. It makes sense to have members formally appointed in the future.

There have been a number of meetings held at the town office, and some scheduling conflicts have occurred. Ed has asked Pete Coughlan to have a spot on the town website that will indicate availability for use of the meeting room. Information about requests for use of the room could be funneled through the clerks.

An RFP for Alewife harvesting should be in place in Feb. so that a contract will be ready to send to Mike Brown by April 20th. Ed has had a conversation with a harvester, Edward Keister, who has already expressed interest in obtaining the alewife harvesting rights in Alna. That person will be on the alert to watch for the RFP.

More salt will be delivered by the end of the week.

At our next working meeting we will review the warrant and budget.

Charlie is very much interested in working as General Assistance administrator after the new board members are elected. He will also share digital information about SAM.gov and CAGE code. That

information should be shared with the town clerk and she should be added as an additional point of contact with SAM.gov.

Linda will work with whoever takes over ARPA responsibilities after the election.

Work needs to be done on the North Old Sheepscot Road this year. There is still some money remaining in the operating account to accomplish the needed work.

There will need to be an environmental assessment completed for the Egypt Road Bridge replacement. Mid-Coast Conservancy is working on an application to submit to the Department of Marine Resources.

The Efficiency Maine grant paperwork was complete as of yesterday.

Ed and Katie have everything save the Alna VFD report for the annual report.

Ed, Sarah, and Lynette attended an alarm system training session last week.

MMA Risk Management advised back in 2018 that a NO TRESPASS sign should be placed on the salt and shed building. We should ask Chris Cooper to affix new signs with rivets when he does maintenance on the building this year.

Proposed agenda:

Permit fees

Meeting room calendar

Alna VFD Budget

It was moved and seconded to adjourn at 10:02. Motion passed.