

TOWN OF RUMFORD BOARD *of* SELECTPERSONS MINUTES

October 21, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Municipal Building Auditorium

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance

Public Hearing. Discussion/ Approval of Liquor License and Special Amusement Permit Eagles 129 Rumford Ave Rumford, Maine. Also Liquor License for VFW 330 Waldo Street Rumford, Maine and The Lure Restaurant 105 Congress Street Rumford, Maine

No comments.

3. Action following Public Hearing: Discussion/ Approval of Liquor License and Special Amusement Permit for Discussion/ Approval of Liquor License and Special Amusement Permit Eagles 129 Rumford Ave Rumford, Maine. Also Liquor License for VFW 330 Waldo Street Rumford, Maine and The Lure Restaurant 105 Congress Street Rumford, Maine
4. Motion by DiConzo and seconded by Theriault to approve Liquor License and Special Amusement Permit for Discussion/ Approval of Liquor License and Special Amusement Permit Eagles 129 Rumford Ave Rumford, Maine. Also Liquor License for VFW 330 Waldo Street Rumford, Maine and The Lure Restaurant 105 Congress Street Rumford, Maine

Vote 5-0 in favor.

5. Adopt Agenda
6. Comments

Public Comment: April Archer spoke on the town currently being without taxi service. Carter stated that River Valley Taxi closed with no notice.

- a. Town Manager's Report

Stacy Carter stated he has initiated a mask mandate for all Town buildings and for all employees. Carter explained the reasoning was because there was a growing number of cases in the county and our area. Carter also states we have had some exposures.

Carter noted the Pumpkinfest was a little dreary but was well attended and people enjoyed themselves.

b. Department Heads and Committee Chairs

Dale Roberts from Public Works noted that Prospect Avenue was done for the winter, Kimball also had some road work and work on the guardrails will be done.

c. Select Board

Peter Chase noted that Pumpkinfest was a great success. Chase congratulated Kris Howe and Envision Rumford.

Brennick also noted that Pumpkinfest was great and also noted the decorations at the Fire Dept. and Town Hall looked wonderful. Brennick also noted that the Town had posters supporting Domestic Violence Awareness and appreciated that was done.

DiConzo thanked the Fire Dept. for their efforts for Pumpkinfest.

7. Approve Minutes October 6, 2021 and October 7, 2021

Motion to approve Minutes of Oct 6, 2021 no changes, October 7th, 2021 approve with the change of adding Public Comments speaker made by DiConzo and seconded by Theriault.

8. Approve Warrant #17

Motion to approve Warrant # 17 by Chase and seconded by Brennick. Vote 4-1 (DiConzo)

9. Eliminate evening hours

Motion by Diconzo and seconded by Chase to eliminate evening voting registration hours for the night of election. Vote 5-0 in favor

10. Appoint Warden for State election

Motion by Brennick and seconded by Theriault to approve DiConzo for Warden and Chase for Deputy Warden. Vote 5-0 in favor.

11. Discuss/Approve Town funds for Mt. View Annex Road maintenance

Mr. Shaw spoke on his request for funds for Mt. View Annex Road maintenance and presented a sheet to the board titled Review and Reconsider. Brennick noted this would be not be a motion to reconsider as this is the first meeting on his request. Brennick noted a letter from our town attorney Jennifer Kreckel to Mr. Shaw's Title Attorney. Carter states the Town will not be putting money into the maintenance and that Mr. Shaw is misinterpreting a prior ordinance.. No action taken.

12. Discuss/Approve new rule of 5 yr. open enrollment in Maine PERS

Carter handed out an information sheet from MainePERS that states Employers must take prompt actions for the provisions to apply to employees. Carter explained that

this is the Maine Retirement system for employees. Carter noted in handout the motion would adapt the provisions of 5 M.R.S. 18252-C as enacted by PL 2021, Chapter 286 as allowed by MainePERS Rule Chapter 803 for its non-participating employees with optional membership who previously declined to participate in MainePERS. The offer allows enrollment until November 1, 2021.

Motion by Brennick and seconded by DiConzo to approve the new rule of 5 yr. open enrollment in Maine PERS with members electing by Nov 1st. Vote 5-0 in favor.

Carter noted they will have to elect by November 1st. Motion revised to say effective date of adoption by Nov 1st.

13. Discuss/Action on Concord River/Abbotts Mill dam.

George O'Keefe spoke on Concord River/Abbott Mill dam. O'Keefe spoke on why the non-working facility is exempt. At this point there is no effect to public as it is not in operation. O'Keefe stated he has talked to Maine Fish and wildlife and has letters from them regarding the dam. Discussion held on Economic Impact to keeping or removing the dam Questions were asked and answered. O'Keefe directed to get more info on removal of dam.

14. Executive Session ref Legal Matter 1 MRS 405 (6) E

Motion to go into Executive Session made by Brennick and seconded by DiConzo at 7:14 p.m. Vote 5-0 in favor. Out at 8:00 p.m.

15. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by DiConzo and seconded by McLean Vote 5-0 in favor adjourned at 8:01 p.m.