TOWN OF RUMFORD

BOARD *of* SELECTPERSONS Minutes

September 21st, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Rumford Falls Auditorium

Theriault Absent

6:00 p.m. Public Hearing on Sewer Rate Change

Chris Brennick gave overview of Sewer billing. Rates will go to quarterly. Town Manager stated we are trying to come up with a fair rate for the Town. We are currently waiting on the assessment from Rumford Water District to determine a formula. We are trying to determine what the base rate will be.

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Adopt Agenda - 8A – Appointment of a member to the Oxford County Budget Committee

Brennick motioned to add Seconded by DiConzo

Vote 4-0

1. Public Hearing:

Adoption of Local General Assistance Ordinance and Yearly Appendices for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Maximums.

Tom Bourret gave an overview of the changes and the new maximums for income into the homes.

Action following Public Hearing: Adoption of Local General Assistance Ordinance and Yearly Appendices for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Maximums

DiConzo motioned and seconded Sax

Vote 4-0

Hawker’s and Peddler’s License for Pumpkin Fest to be held on October 14th, 2023

Action following Public Hearing: Hawker’s and Peddler’s License for Pumpkin Fest to be held on October 14th, 2023

DiConzo motioned and seconded by Pepin

Vote 4-0

1. Special Presentation or Award:
   1. Public Comment:
   2. Town Manager’s Report: Carter met with County Commissioner to discuss county ACO position, we shared the ACO with other towns as well. The County Commissioner agreed that it is good idea. Will look at adding to budget.
   3. Department Heads and Committee Chairs: Roberts from Public Works stated that the box culvert on the isthmus road is done. Spencer paving has been in town and paved Porter Avenue, Kennebec Street, Franklin Street. They are also working on York Street. They have also worked on Blanchard, Jones, Raymond and Prospect Avenue. All big paving jobs are done besides Bellevieu. They are going to be doing curbing in October. We have also started to get our trucks ready for winter.
   4. Select Board

1. Discuss/Approve minutes from 09-07-23

DiConzo motioned and seconded by Pepin

Vote 4-0

1. Discuss/ Approve Warrant #12

DiConzo motioned seconded by Brennick

Vote 4-0

8A. Appoint a member to the Oxford County Budget Committee

Brennick motioned to appoint James Theriault and seconded by DiConzo

Vote 4-0

1. Discuss/ Approve Fire Alarm Box BIDS

Carter stated that we only received 3 BIDS for the Fire Alarm Boxes, Carter’s suggestion to be fair to the ones that did put in BIDS, to sell them for $100 across the board and what is left to sell them as a LOT.

DiConzo motioned to go with Carter’s suggestions and seconded by Brennick to lower the price of the fire alarm boxes.

Vote 3-0-1 (Pepin abstaining)

1. Discuss / Approve Community Development Advisory Committee

Carter has asked that a Select board member, Code Enforcement officer, Planning board member, Economic development director and also a member of the public that may use the facility. The member we would like to use is Melinda Sarle of Hartford Street.

Brennick stated that he would sit on the board as well.

They will also deal with handling complaints.

Brennick motioned to establish an advisory committee and seconded by DiConzo

Vote 4-0

1. Executive Session ref Economic Development 1 MRS 405 (6) (c)

Brennick motioned to enter Session and seconded by DiConzo

1. Adjourn 6:55 pm