

## **Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**

**April 18, 2023**

**Mexico Town Office**

**Calvin Lyons Hall**

### *Attendance:*

Selectmen: TJ Williams- Chair, Richie Philbrick- Vice Chair, Cliff Stewart, Randal Canwell.

Staff: Raquel Welch- Town Manager, Mat Theriault, Jame Theriault.

Public: Lisa Arsenault, Bob Arsenault, Veronica Childs, Charlene Mann, Pastor Joseph, Tammy Schmersal-Burgess and Calvin Burgess.

Public Hearing: Trailer Park Licenses

**^^Richie made a motion to enter Public Hearing at 6:30, seconded by Cliff. All in favor.**

**^^Richie made a motion to come out of Public Hearing at 6:34, seconded by Cliff. All in favor.**

**^^Richie made a motion to approve trailer park licenses for Oak Street and Abbott Brook, seconded by Cliff. All in favor.**

**TJ opened the selectmen's meeting at 6:35 P.M.**

### *\*Agenda Adjustments*

**^^TJ made a motion to add Executive Session 1 MRSA 405 6 (C),1 MRSA 405 6(D)and minimum bid amounts to the end of the agenda, seconded by Richie. All in favor.**

Approval of the regular Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes dated April 4, 2023.

**^^Richie made a motion to approve the regular Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes dated April 4, 2023 seconded by Cliff. All in favor.**

### *\*Warrants*

Approval of warrants dated April 11 and April 18, 2023.

**^^Richie made a motion to approve the warrants dated April 11 and April 18, 2023 seconded by Cliff. All in favor.**

### *\*New Business*

1. Presentation of Awards by Tammy Schmersal Burgess-

Tammy Schmersal Burgess presented a Legislative Sentiment (Spirit of America) to Lisa Arsenault and Raquel Welch-Day for their work in the community.

## 2. Toll Road

Pastor Joseph from Praise Assembly of God requested to have a toll rd on July 1, 2023 from 9-2.

## 3. Glen Gordon

Discussed the upcoming community forum that is going to be held on 5/1.

## 4. Road Name Change: Old Dixfield Rd to Coburn Rd and Falls Rd.

**^^Randy made a motion to hold a public hearing on May 16 to change Old Dixfield Rd to Coburn Rd and Falls Rd, seconded by Richie. All in favor.**

## 5. Thompson Hill Bids

**^^Richie made a motion to award the contractor bid to Cross Excavation in the amount of \$128,350 and the Box Culvert to Concrete Systems in the amount of \$63,234.00, seconded by Randy. All in favor.**

## 6. Parks and Rec Policy

**^^Richie made a motion to approve the Parks and Rec Policy, seconded by randy. All in favor.**

## 7. Solar Farm Ordinance

**^^ Richie made a motion to add the Solar Farm Ordinance to the June Ballot, seconded by Cliff. All in favor.**

## 8. Tiny Homes Ordinance

**^^Richie made a motion to add the Tiny Homes Ordinance to the June ballot, seconded by Cliff. All in favor.**

## *\*Old Business*

### 1. Animal Control Ordinance

**^^Tj made a motion to put the amended ordinance on the June ballot, seconded by Richie. All in favor.**

### 2. Fire Station

Discussion was had regarding cost effective ways to provide a new fire station and keep taxes down at the same time. The Board decided that they would utilize Meroby school when it is vacated to house all town employees minus Public Works. The Board and a few others will tour the building on Wednesday.

### 3. Poplar Hill Gate

^^Richie made a motion to table this until the next meeting to allow for the head of the snowmobile club and atv club to be present, seconded by Cliff. 3 to 1, motion carried.

#### \*RSU 10 Report

Discussion was had regarding the Region 9 budget and Board was asked to be sure they were present for the vote.

#### *\*Fire Department-*

Report Given

#### *\*Police Department-*

#### *\*Library-*

#### *\*Code Enforcement-*

Report Given

#### *\*General Assistance-*

#### *\*Recreation Department-*

#### *\*Town Managers Report-*

- the town is not able to have vagrancy laws
- Budget meeting for Region 9 is May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30
- Does the Board want to allow the ACO to carry a gun
- Need to look at Rent Control ordinances

#### *\*Road Commissioner*

- Complaint on the size of rocks in winter sand
- Clean up is May 1-12

#### *\*Selectmen's report-*

TJ- will not be here on 5/2

Richie-

Cliff-

Peter-

Randy- Nghia and David Gawtry have been working hard at Veteran's Park and it looks great.

*\*Public Discussion-*

Lisa Arsenault- talked about the community clean up day

Executive Session 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) (C) Acquisition of Property

**^^Richie made a motion to enter into executive session 1 M.R.S.A 405 (6) (C) at 8:09, seconded by Cliff. All in favor.**

**^^Cliff made a motion to come out of executive session 1 M.R.S.A 405 (6) (C) at 8:36, seconded by Richie. All in favor**

Executive Session 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) (A) Personnel Matters

**^^Richie made a motion to enter into executive session 1 M.R.S.A 405 (6) (A) at 8:37, seconded by Cliff. All in favor.**

**^^Richie made a motion to come out of executive session 1 M.R.S.A 405 (6) (A) at 8:46, seconded by Cliff. All in favor**

Executive Session 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) (D) Labor Negotiations

**^^Richie made a motion to enter into executive session 1 M.R.S.A 405 (6) (D) at 8:46, seconded by Cliff. All in favor.**

**^^Randy made a motion to come out of executive session 1 M.R.S.A 405 (6) (D) at 8:52, seconded by Richie. All in favor**

**^^Richie made a motion to accept the Public Works Union Contract as written, seconded by Randy. 3-1, motion carried.**

Executive Session 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) (A) Acquisition of Property

**^^TJ made a motion to enter into executive session 1 M.R.S.A 405 (6) (A) at 8:52, seconded by Cliff. All in favor.**

**^^Richie made a motion to come out of executive session 1 M.R.S.A 405 (6) (A) at 8:57, seconded by TJ. All in favor**

Foreclosed Properties-

**^^ Richie made a motion to list the following foreclosed properties for sale:**

Map 16 Lot 83 \$7185.47

Map 16 Lot 62 \$1096.73

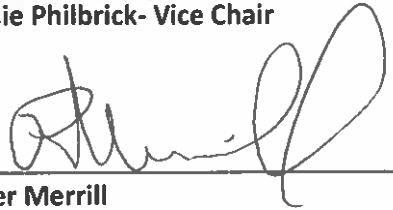
Map 20 Lot 232 \$1390.84

Map 22 Lot 151 \$8387.09

^^Richie made a motion to adjourn at 9:02. Seconded by Cliff, all in favor.


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Date

  
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Richie Philbrick- Vice Chair

  
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Peter Merrill

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TJ Williams- Chair

 5-2-2023  
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Randy Canwell

  
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Cliff Stewart

