



Town Of Durham Select Board

Fire Station

615 Hallowell Road, Durham, ME 04222

May 28, 2024

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order & Establishment of Quorum, Pledge of Allegiance

In Attendance: Joe Roy (Chair), Josh Klein-Golden (Vice Chair), Joe Tomm, Deb Oliver and Jerry Douglass (Town Manager).

Absent: Heather Roy (Excused)

Guest(s): Matt Panfill (GPCOG), George Thebarge (Town Planner), Grady R Burns, Amy Dieterich, Kristin Collins, Cam Faranti, Steven Langsdorf

2. Amendments to the Agenda:

- None

3. Public Comments

- Michael Ozga, Davis Road ~ Comments on current School Board vacancy.

4. Q & A With Legal Firms

- a. 5:30pm (Skelton, Taintor & Abbott)
 - i. Has been in continuous practice for 160 years.
 - ii. Grady R Burns – Focuses on everything municipal.
 - iii. Amy Dieterich – Focuses on policy work.
 - iv. Will ensure a smooth transition from Linnell, Choate & Webber.
 - v. Bills in one tenth hour increments.
- b. 6:00pm (Preti-Flaherty)
 - i. Kristin Collins – Focuses on municipal Law since 2005; Point person for many Maine towns; Focuses on employment and land use law.
 - ii. Cam Faranti – Focuses on public financing, Tiffs, bond anticipation notes, and works with code officers.
 - iii. Steven Langsdorf – 25 years municipal law experience; Represents many large municipalities in Maine.
 - iv. They meet with staff and connect with the existing attorney to get up to speed with the town's current situation.
 - v. Bills in one tenth hour increments.

5. Old Business:

- a. Review of Union Church Quit Claim Deed
 - i. Discussion over what is on the Deed as Jack Conway presented.
 - ii. Select Board will make additional changes.

- b. Discussion and Award Property Revaluation Company
 - i. Two companies responded: KRT & Dirigo
 - ii. Motion: Josh Klein-Golden to select KRT
 - iii. Second: Joe Tomm
 - iv. Vote: 4-0

6. New Business:

- a. GPCOG Town Facilities Study (Matt Panfill, GPCOG & George Theborge, Town Planner)
 - i. Introduce the “Vision Plan”. A long-range plan for the center of town. A look at the triangle of land which the Town Office, Fire Department, and the Eureka Center sits on.
 - ii. Possibilities to increase accessibility for residents to recreate and walk between town buildings.
 - iii. Having a Vision Plan will allow the town to apply for grants through the DOT Village Partnership Initiative Program.
- b. Authorization to Sign Codification Contract
 - i. Motion: Joe Tomm
 - ii. Second: Josh Klein-Golden
 - iii. Vote: 4-0
- c. Authorization to Purchase Mower for Public Works
 - i. Motion: Joe Tomm
 - ii. Second: Josh Klein-Golden
 - iii. Vote: 4-0
- d. RSU5 Board of Directors Vacancy
 - i. Post announcement tomorrow seeking applications; Deadline June 25th.
 - ii. July 9th meeting with public feedback on candidates. Select Board will discuss and make a decision on who to appoint.

7. Manager Report:

- a. We have lost our cleaner. Town Manager is welcoming applications until May 30th
- b. Report by Casella that a resident is producing and using fake trash tags.
 - i. Town Manager has called the Androscoggin Sheriff’s Office.

8. Board Member Reports:

- None

9. Consent Agenda:

- a. Approve Minutes from May 14, 2024
- b. Approve and Sign AP for May 28, 2024 & Payroll Warrant May 17, 2024
- c. Approve Vessel & Vine Catering Permits at Replenova Farm
- Motion: Josh Klein-Golden
- Second: Deb Oliver
- Vote: 4-0

10. Upcoming Meeting(s) and Town News:

- Select Board Meeting June 11, 2024 & June 25, 2024 (6:30pm @ Fire Station)
- Planning Board Meeting June 5, 2024 (6:30pm @ Fire Station)

- 11. Adjourn:** Time 8:22 PM
- a. Motion: Joe Tomm
 - b. Second: Deb Oliver
 - c. Vote: 4-0