

TOWN OF WALES, MAINE

Incorporated Feb. 1, 1816

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MINUTES Board of Selectmen May 7, 2024 @ 6:00pm

Board Attendance: Eric Gagnon (Chair), Paul Burgess, Randy Greenwood

Staff Attendance: Sharon Siegel, Tr/TC; Scott Dimmick, FD/FR; Bill Austin, PW Director

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 6:00pm

Approval of minutes:

- Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on April 19, 2024, by Randy, 2nd by Paul. Vote: Approved 3-0-0

Public Comment:

- None.

Fire Department:

- E31 will go to Fleet Service on May 20th for work on the hydraulic tilt cab.
- The annual awards BBQ will be Sunday June 9th.
- The Budget Committee approved all Fire Department requests unanimously.
- Area Fire Chiefs met with local legislators regarding the proposed changes in OSHA standards.
- Fire Truck purchase: E32 replacement will be a cost of \$800,000 minimum so we should ask for approval for up to \$850,000.

First Responders:

- The new Rescue 71 truck has gone for detailing/lettering.

Public Works:

- We got a new picnic table for the park area.
- We are still waiting to hear from the engineer about the East Road/Avenue Road bridges.
- Bill is working with Picnic Painting to get an estimate to complete the alley side and back of the building.
 - The estimate is \$28000-\$35000 for labor and potential needed materials.
 - Motion to allow the PW Director to spend up to \$35,000 from the Municipal Property Improvement Capital Reserve account to continue the siding/window project by Randy, 2nd by Paul. Vote: Approved 3-0-0

General:

- Warrant and Notice of Election for RSU#4 Budget Validation Referendum election to be held on June 11, 2024
 - Motion to sign the Warrant and Notice of Election calling the RSU#4 Budget

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Validation Referendum by Randy, 2nd by Paul. Vote: Approved 3-0-0

- Nominations for MMA's Legislative Policy Committee
 - Motion to nominate Sharon Siegel to the MMA Legislative Policy Committee by Randy, 2nd by Paul. Vote: Approved 3-0-0
- We received a notice from MDEP stating that a petroleum discharge at 393 East Road has been remediated to their satisfaction and is no longer on the MDEP's Long-term Petroleum Remediation Priority List.
- Read and sign the Proclamation for Professional Municipal Clerks Week May 5-11, 2024
- Review and sign check number log.
- **Review Payroll Warrant FY24-23PR:** Motion to approve Payroll Warrant FY24-23PR for \$7,827.46 by Randy, 2nd by Paul. Vote: Approved 3-0-0
- **Review AP Warrant FY24-23AP:** Motion to approve AP Warrant FY24-23AP for \$42,997.12 by Randy, 2nd by Paul. Vote: Approved 3-0-0
- Electronic payments made \$8,887.68.

Executive Session

- Motion to enter into Executive Session with PW Director Bill Austin and Treasurer Sharon Siegel pursuant to 1 MRS §405(6)(A) – Personnel by Randy, 2nd by Paul. Vote: Approved 3-0-0
 - a. Entered into Executive Session at 8:13pm
 - b. Exited Executive Session at 8:27pm
 - c. Motion to set the PW Director's pay at \$30.00 per hour effective immediately by Randy, 2nd by Paul. Vote: Approved 3-0-0
- Motion to enter into Executive Session with the Fire Chief Scott Dimmick and Treasurer Sharon Siegel pursuant to 1 MRS §405(6)(A) – Personnel by Randy, 2nd by Paul. Vote: Approved 3-0-0
 - a. Entered into Executive Session at 8:29pm
 - b. Exited Executive Session at 8:54pm

Unfinished Business:

- Process for changing our form of government.
- Review policies/handbooks

With no objection the meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm.