

TOWN OF WALES, MAINE

Incorporated Feb. 1, 1816

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MINUTES Board of Selectmen October 10, 2023 @ 6:00pm

Board Attendance: Eric Gagnon, 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 6:04pm

Approval of minutes:

- Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on September 26, 2023 by Randy, 2nd by Paul. Vote: Approved 3-0-0

Public Comment:

- None.

Fire Department:

- They visited 1 daycare last week for fire prevention and will visit the other this week.
- We sent a truck to the football game for homecoming.
- We had a truck at the bonfire the night before the football game.
- The repeater cabinet has been completed and tested. The payment will be released.
- Dirigo Wireless contacted Scott regarding the Homeland Security Grant order. The charger & the batteries came in but not the radio.
- E31 repairs: Greenwood is going to do the repairs at our location on October 23rd.
- Scott prepared a preliminary Capital Improvement Plan through 2040.
 - Deck gun on E31 in 2026
 - New UTV in 2028 (cost share with rescue)
 - New Forestry Vehicle in 2034
 - New SCBA packs in 2040
- E32 replacement
 - Looking for as much water capacity as possible
 - Light tower (expensive as an add on to an engine) maybe
 - The lead time is about 2-3 years

First Responders:

- Scott distributed the quarterly report.
 - We had one report outside of the required 24hour reporting period.
- Rescue 71 project
 - Truck \$54908
 - Radio \$3800
 - Cap & tray \$7500
 - Emergency lights etc \$15612.30
 - Total \$81876.54
 - This leaves about \$5000 in the capital reserve

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- It'll be about 6-8 weeks to get all the parts.
- Scott presented a preliminary capital improvement plan through 2040.
 - Mobile repeater in Rescue 71 in 2026
 - New UTV in 2028 (cost share with fire)
 - Light tower in 2031
 - Cardiac monitor in 2037 (potential future requirement)

Public Works:

- The pre-bid meeting with contractors for the Turtle Bridge project is on October 19th.
- Bill attended some good workshops at the MMA Convention.
- Bill has gotten all of the items we want to sell together. Sharon will contact Randy Mains at Auctions International.

General:

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- Randy reviewed and signed the check log.
 - Check# 17904-17927 = \$180,340.37
 - Electronic payments = \$3,853.76
- **Review Payroll Warrant FY24-08PR:** Motion to approve Payroll Warrant FY24-08PR for \$8,367.72 by Randy, 2nd by Paul. Vote: Approved 3-0-0
- **Review AP Warrant FY24-08AP:** Motion to approve AP Warrant FY24-08AP for \$178,016.19 by Randy, 2nd by Paul. Vote: Approved 3-0-0

Unfinished Business:

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

With no objection the meeting was adjourned at 8:11pm.