

TOWN OF WALES, MAINE

Incorporated Feb. 1, 1816

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Minutes Board of Selectmen December 3, 2024 @ 6:00pm

Board Attendance: Eric Gagnon (Chair), Paul E Burgess

Staff Attendance: Sharon Siegel, Tr/TC; Scott Dimmick, FD/FR

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

Approval of minutes:

- Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on November 17, 2024 by Paul, 2nd by Eric. Vote: Approved 2-0-0

Public Comment:

- None.

Fire Department:

- The Holiday party went well.
- They installed a loaner repeater and the interference problem has not occurred.
 - They will leave it installed for 1 month to be sure and address it then if it turns out to be a problem with the repeater.
- There is some grant funding available for Fire Departments but we have all of the equipment that qualifies.
- We responded to a call at the railroad tracks. CSX was cutting rails near a pile of ties and caused a fire. The fire reignited after they left the site.
- Scott turned in his work log for the past 2 weeks.

First Responders:

- Scott turned in his work log for the past 2 weeks.
- New Rescue 71 is in service.
- Tri-County is no longer going to be a Maine EMS regional center. They are trying to remain a training center.

Public Works:

- None.

General:

- Board of Assessors: Eric Gagnon, Paul Burgess
 - Review Abatement: David King Real Estate
 - An error in assessing was discovered when Mr. King questioned his acreage. 7.3 acres was duplicated when his Farmland application was processed.
 - Motion to approve an abatement for David King R06-039 for \$236.74 by Eric,

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2nd by Paul. Vote: Approved 2-0-0

- Review Abatement: BD& C Construction Personal Property
 - Bryan Smith, Sole Proprietor, requested an abatement stating that the business does not own any assets.
 - Motion to approve an abatement for BD&C Construction P92 for \$28.25 by Eric, 2nd by Paul. Vote: Approved 2-0-0
- Review Notice of Violation issued by CEO for 203 Oak Hill Road.
- Review Letter from DMR re: 2025 Sabattus Pond Drawdown
- Received FY25 LRAP \$23,692.
- Received Report from BLS re: inspection on October 23, 2024.
 - Findings: 3 Serious citations, 2 not serious
 - Serious citations: (\$700 fine each)
 - Pump testing for E31 & T33 not completed within 12-month annual period
 - This has been completed.
 - Sharon will request a Penalty Settlement hearing.
- Review and sign the check log.
- **Review Payroll Warrant FY25-12PR**: Motion to approve Payroll Warrant FY25-12PR for \$16,216.78 by Paul, 2nd by Eric. Vote: Approved 2-0-0
- **Review AP Warrant FY25-12AP**: Motion to approve AP Warrant FY25-12AP for \$343,131.15 by Paul, 2nd by Eric. Vote: Approved 2-0-0
- Electronic payments made \$4,070.59.

Unfinished Business:

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

With no objection the meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.