

TOWN OF MADISON - PUBLIC NOTICE

The Inhabitants of the Town of Madison are hereby notified of a public meeting. The time, place and purpose of which are as follows:

**MINUTES
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Meeting Room Old Point Ave School
Monday September 26, 2016
6:30 p.m.**

- A. Salute to the flag: Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm
- B. Roll Call: Selectmen Al Veneziano, Jack Ducharme, Paul Fortin and Ron Moody were present. Selectman Mike Edgerly was absent. Town Manager Tim Curtis was also in attendance.

C. Consent Agenda:

Warrants Dated: # 9 (9/8/16 - \$399,455.71); Payroll Registers: # 37 (9/15/16 - \$9,978.77); # 38 (9/22/16 - \$11,941.62). Motion by Mr. Fortin to approve, seconded by Mr. Moody. Motion carries 4-0.

- D. Discuss acceptance of meeting minutes of September 12, 2016: Motion from Selectman Moody to approve, seconded by Mr. Ducharme. Motion carries.

- E. Old business (Selectmen's Concerns from immediately preceding meeting): None

F. Items of Communication:

Electrician Andrew Heald has begun work on a number of projects at the Old Point School including installing new lights in the basement for the Food Cupboard, and re-routing some wiring for the Historical Society. The Town is waiting on word back from an Efficiency Maine Grant to replace lights in Room 102, 103 and the hallway.

Town Manager Curtis updated the board on repairs at the East Madison Dam. The water levels have been lowered to accommodate the repairs which hope to be done in the next two weeks. Mr. Moody asked why there was not more lead time given to boat owners before the lake levels were lowered. The Town Manager said that the timing was admittedly poor and inconvenient for boat owners, but the opportunity to do the repairs came up faster than anticipated.

TRC Environmental of Ellsworth has asked permission to do a couple of days of field work at "The Pines" as part of research for Brookfield Power's re-licensing of the Weston dam down river. The work is expected to take 2-3 days and take place mainly along the river bank.

The Town Office received an invitation to a recognition of the Spirit of America winners at the Somerset County Courthouse on October 19th at 6pm. Madison's Raymond Soucy will be recognized and a representative from Madison should be there. Town Manager Curtis will be out of town that day. Selectman Fortin said he would try to attend.

The Town Manager shared a very nice letter commending Head Librarian Julie Forbus for excellent work.

Current Checkbook Balance is \$1.6 million with a TIF account balance of \$101,362. The checkbook balance does not include Madison Paper's first half installment which the Town Manager expects to receive this week. The payment of \$860,000 to Somerset County is due at the end of October.

G. New Business

1. Public Hearing: 2016/2017 State Maximums for General Assistance: Chairman Veneziano opened the public hearing to discuss the GA State Maximums at 6:40pm. Town Manager Curtis noted that there were only minimal changes to the maximum allowances for households with up to 6 people (less than \$4 in most cases). There were no further comments. The public hearing was closed at 6:42pm. Motion from Mr. Ducharme to approve the new State Maximum figures for use in the Town's General Assistance Program, seconded by Mr. Fortin. Motion carries 4-0.
2. Discuss Request regarding Kincaid Cemetery: George and Carol Stoutamyer have requested that their family be able to use Kincaid Cemetery for burials as needed in the future since the cemetery is part of their property at 97 Kincaid Road. The Town Manager drafted a condition to the deed which would allow for the burial of George, Carol, Carol's brother Ralph and the families of their three children. Motion by Mr. Moody to approve, seconded by Mr. Fortin. Motion carries 4-0.

While on the topic of cemeteries, the Town Manager was seeking clarification on action the board took in August of 2014 regarding the sale back to the Town of a lot in Forest Hills. The motion said the funds to re-purchase a lot would come from the cemetery account. Town Manager Curtis said the Finance Director would rather it say from the Cemetery Trust Interest Revenue account. Mr. Ducharme wanted clarification as to where money would go when we sold a lot. The Town Manager said the revenue account and that would be consistent. Motion to amend the minutes of August 25, 2014 as such by Mr. Fortin, seconded by Mr. Ducharme. Motion carries 4-0.

H. Selectmen's Concerns: None

I. Citizen's Concerns: None

- J. Executive Session to discuss an Economic Development proposal pursuant to 1MRSA 405(6)(c). Motion from Mr. Fortin to go into executive session, seconded by Mr. Ducharme. Mr. Moody asked for the rationale to go into executive session, Town Manager Curtis explained that a request from a business developer needed to be discussed privately to avoid the sharing of any proprietary information. Motion carries 4-0. The Board entered executive session at 6:48pm.

The Board came out of executive session at 7:10pm with no action taken.

K. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 7:11pm.