

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  
OLD POINT AVENUE FACILITY, 108 OLD POINT AVENUE, MADISON  
Tuesday, October 9, 2012  
6:30 p.m.**

- A. Salute to the flag. Done.
- B. Roll Call. Present were Albert Veneziano, Bruce Bristow, Jack Ducharme, Paul Fortin and George Elias.
- C. Consent Agenda.
  - 1. Warrants dated: #20 (09/24/12), #21 (09/24/12), and #22 (09/25/12). Selectman Elias made a motion to accept. Selectman Bristow seconded. Motion passed.
- D. Discuss acceptance of meeting minutes of September 24, 2012. Selectman Elias made a motion to accept the minutes. Selectman Bristow seconded. Discussion: Selectman Ducharme indicated that Machias was spelled wrong under item #5; under item #3 we should note that during that initial process, two Selectmen chose not to participate. Selectmen Elias noted that Item #4 should state that it was the amended motion that died for lack of a second. No more discussion. Motion passes with amendments as noted above.
- E. Old business (Selectmen's Concerns from immediately preceding meeting). None.
- F. Items of Communication.
  - 1. Jake brake signs have been installed; more people have requested signs on other streets.
  - 2. Summit Natural Gas will be in Maine and would like to meet with Board members next Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at the Old Point Avenue Facility to give us an update.
  - 3. Maine Natural Gas would like to make a brief presentation at the Board's October 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting.
  - 4. Town received a dividend check from MMA on our Workers Comp and our Property and Casualty insurance in the amount of \$5,873. Amount to be divided between the Town and Madison Electric.
  - 5. Town put in for lighted, flashing yellow, crosswalk signs. Town Manager Berry said that we will receive one set, to be put in at Madison Paper. There is a possibility that the State will give us a couple more lighted signs.
  - 6. Town Manager would like to get some available dates for continued discussions on union contracts:  
1) Highway – Selectman Bristow and Ducharme can meet on Wednesdays until 5:30 p.m.; and 2) Police – Selectman Fortin just needs some notice.
- G. New Business.
  - 1. Update and discussion on old Jr. High School property. Jim Lord from Dirigo Engineering presented the Board with engineering design plans for the proposed parking lot. Three options were presented – all have an entrance off of Henderson Street. Water run-off from Nichols Street and the Junior High would be redirected to the storm drain reducing the amount of water flowing into the basin. A bus lane and parking options were discussed, separating bus lanes from parking noted. Pedestrian safety was discussed – one direction of flow of buses (exiting onto Nichols Street) and flow for parking lot discussed. Two-way vehicular traffic on Henderson Street discussed. Adding a skating rink in grassy area during winter months was mentioned. Moving the parking lot and bus lane back to the property

line was suggested. Board agreed to leave the details to the Town Manager. Selectman Ducharme made a motion to accept the principals of Option 1's design and instruct Dirigo Engineering to move forward with that option and to allow the Town Manager to make minor decisions relating to that option including moving the parking lot back to the property line. Selectman Elias seconded. Motion passed. The time line was discussed. Bidding removal of building separate from bidding the construction of the parking lot was mentioned. Selectman Fortin made a motion to move forward with the building demolition bid first and to bid separately the parking lot and to move post haste on the building demolition. Selectman Ducharme seconded. Selectman Bristow asked how we'll pay the successful bidder. Town Manager Berry said he is sending a letter to DECD requesting the use of TIF funds to pay for this project which is adjacent to the TIF district. Motion passes.

- 1a. Madison Electric Works (MEW) discussion of credit line and land issues. Calvin Ames, Superintendent for MEW stated that ISO New England now requires credit assurances from utilities, which is basically an overdraft protection against their account. Because of the way MEW's charter is written, the Selectmen must authorize it. Any loan must be paid off completely within a year. Selectman Elias made a motion to authorize a business loan agreement and promissory note in the amount of \$200,000 for Madison Electric. Selectman Ducharme seconded. Motion passes.

The property MEW owns in Norridgewock is under contract. The 2010 Town Meeting voted to transfer property from Madison Village Corporation to Madison Electric. However, Attorney Corson did not include one parcel in the transfer deed. Selectman Elias made a motion to sign a Quit Claim Deed for the property in Norridgewock. Selectman Ducharme seconded. Motion passes.

2. Public hearing to adopt changes to General Assistance Ordinance, Appendix C (which is a listing of the maximum levels of assistance for housing, both heated and unheated.) Chairman Veneziano opened the public hearing. No comments. Public hearing closed. Selectman Elias made a motion to adopt the General Assistance Ordinance changes to Appendix C. Selectman Ducharme seconded. Motion passes.
3. Appoint a Trustee to the Madison Public Library Board of Trustees (to fill a vacancy until the June election). Cindy Howes has resigned. Howard Daigle has observed a Trustees meeting and has agreed to serve as Head Trustee. Selectman Elias made a motion to appoint Howard Daigle as Head Trustee to Madison Public Library Board of Trustees. Selectman Ducharme seconded. Motion passes.
4. Discussion on goals. Goals have been ranked in order of importance. Town Manager Berry recommended that the Board develop a dynamic Comprehensive Plan for the Town, which would address several of the items on the list of goals. He suggests we utilize Tim Curtis to facilitate the development of the plan. The Board was receptive to this idea. Selectman Fortin suggested prioritizing some of these goals prior to starting the budget process.

H. Selectmen's Concerns. Selectman Elias mentioned seeing tractor trailer truck entering the parking lot to Family Dollar, blocking Old Point Avenue and the sidewalk – thought the Town should have thought this through better. A similar problem exists on Main Street with Dunkin Donuts deliveries. Selectman Fortin had no concerns. Selectman Bristow mentioned cutting the corner of River Road to fix a hole. Road Commissioner to look at it. Selectman Ducharme complimented the Town Clerk on assisting a citizen to vote over the weekend.

I. Citizens Concerns. None.

J. Adjournment. Selectman Elias made a motion to adjourn. Selectman Bristow seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.