

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 School Meeting Room
Monday November 23, 2015
6:30 p.m.**

- A. Salute to the flag.
- B. Roll Call. Meeting was called to order at 630pm, all selectmen were present.
- C. Consent Agenda: Chairman Veneziano added to items to the agenda. #7 Appoint new trustee to the Anson Madison Sanitary Board, and Item K – An executive session to discuss a personnel matter.
- Warrants dated: # 13 (11/02/15 - \$525,058.14); Payroll Registers: # 45 (11/5/15 - \$11,730.85); # 46 (11/12/15 - \$11,974.22); # 47 (11/19/15 - \$11,066.29). Motion to approve from Selectman Ducharme, second by Selectmen Edgerly. Motion approved 5-0
- D. Discuss acceptance of meeting minutes of November 2, 2015. Motion to approve minutes by Selectman Johnson, seconded by Selectman Fortin. Motion approved 5-0.
- E. Old business (Selectmen's Concerns from immediately preceding meeting). None
- F. Items of Communication.
- Town Manager Curtis reminded the board that there are several meetings and workshops upcoming. Monday November 30th the board is invited to the Anson/Madison Sanitary Plant to tour and discuss upcoming projects. The Road Commissioner is also invited to attend. Meeting begins at 6pm.
 - On Monday December 7th there will be a special workshop meeting to discuss the costs associated with developing a transfer station. Ross Nason with KVCOG will be there to guide the discussion, meeting will begin at 630 and will be posted for public notice.
 - The Town Manager reported back to the board what he and the Road Commissioner had discussed regarding rumble strips on Ward Hill Road. The Town Manager showed DOT data regarding accidents at that site and the decrease in accidents since installing the flashing stop sign in 2010. DOT's advice was not to install rumble strips as they cause more issues with noise than they do to avoid accidents. The Town Manager and Road Commissioner will look into painting "Stop Ahead" in the roadway next spring. Selectman Ducharme recommended cutting back some of the trees ahead of the sign to make it more visible.
 - Bids for a one year mowing contract have been posted with a deadline of December 14th.
 - The Town Manager met with auctioneer and real estate agent Adrien Harris to review the two pieces of property to be auctioned off in mid-December. The demo of 400 Main Street is scheduled for December 5, the contractor asked if the town wanted it done sooner, but the board wants to wait until all the legal paperwork clears on December 3rd.
 - Checkbook balance at approximately \$1.1M. The Town Manager reported that he met with MSAD59 Superintendent LeRoy regarding delaying a payment in February to March 2016 if the town needed to wait for tax revenues to come in. The superintendent will check with his book-keeper but he believes they can do that.

G. New Business

1. Public Hearing Liquor License for “Fireside Café”: Public Hearing was opened at 6:45pm. Town Manager explained that if the board approved the liquor license then the state would send an inspector to determine if the entrance to the café is within 300 feet of the Junior High School across the street. Owners Mike and Mary Jane Pelletier were in attendance and verified that the license was for beer and wine and not for an open bar. Seeing no further questions the public hearing was closed at 6:50pm. Mr. Fortin motioned to approve the liquor license for Fireside Café, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion approved 5-0.
2. Discuss designation of Madison Village Area: The Town Manager introduced Joel Greenwood with KVCOG who provides assistance to towns with ordinance creation and updates. The board and the public reviewed handouts and a map of the proposed village area which is the area in town that has a density of at least 500 residential homes per square mile. This area could be used for future ordinances that would pertain to a certain area of town. The Town Manager mentioned the raising of farm animals and the use of fireworks as two examples that the Property Maintenance Committee had discussed.

Chairman Veneziano asked if there were any drawbacks to this idea. Mr. Greenwood explained that it is a type of zoning and many times residents are resistant to that. Mr. Ducharme explained that the property maintenance committee discussed this as a way of prioritizing certain home maintenance that has a greater effect on values in town than out of town.

Mr. Fortin asked about grandfathering and Mr. Greenwood explained that is the case with most ordinances, existing situations remain until there is a change of use. The proposed village area would have to be discussed at a public hearing before it goes to voters at Town Meeting. Mr. Greenwood recommended a February/March timeframe for public hearings at which several ordinance changes could be discussed.

3. Discuss Policing with Purpose w/ Sheriff Lancaster: Sheriff Lancaster was on hand to introduce new employees, Deputy Jon Norris is in training and Administrative Assistant Sharon Carey is in training to take the place of Stacy Slate in the Madison Office. Deputy Lucas Libby was not available tonight but has begun his training and will be introduced to the board at a later date.

The Sheriff also took a few minutes to explain Policing with a Purpose which is more than just ‘riding around in a patrol car’. The Sheriff explained the priorities are the downtown area, the schools and the camps along the lake. Mr. Fortin asked about the amount of time patrol cars are on Route 201 as opposed to in town. The Sheriff says they are limiting the time on 201 as that area is also covered by the State Police.

4. Discuss Small Claims Court v. Dwayne Holmes (Maine Property Services): The Town Manager explained that the Town has received a writ of execution in the order of \$3600 against Maine Property Services for not fulfilling the mowing contract for town cemeteries in May of 2015. Attorneys are placing a lien on MPS property in Oakland. The Town Manager asked the board if they wanted to continue pursuing this matter with a Disclosure Hearing in Kennebec County Court. The Town Manager mentioned that he has put 10 hours into this matter and that there would be time and court costs in pursuing further action. It is the desire of the board that the Town Manager pursue a disclosure hearing with MPS and Mr. Holmes. Town Manager will report back.
5. Discuss Matching Grant submission for Little Wonders Daycare: In addition to Little Wonders, Elm House Laundromat and Roy’s Water Park have completed the proper paperwork to receive their grant awards. Selectman Fortin motioned to approve grants to be paid from TIF to Elm House for \$715.43, to Roy’s Water Park for \$5,000 and to Little Wonders Daycare for \$5,000. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion approved 5-0

6. Discuss terms of lease for Old Point School tenants: At the last Board meeting the Selectmen approved creating lease agreements for the three tenants of the Old Point School building (SCTV11, The Madison Historical Society and the People Who Care Food Cupboard). The Town Manager had asked by email for the term of the agreements and the responses were mixed. Mr. Ducharme mentioned that he preferred going year to year in case the residents wanted to change the use of the property at town meeting. Motion from Mr. Johnson to go year to year with the leases, seconded by Mr. Ducharme. Motion approved 5-0.
7. Appoint interim trustee to the Anson Madison Sanitary District: The district trustees need to fill a seat until the election in June and they have recommended George Elias. The Town Manager has spoken with Mr. Elias and he is willing to serve. The Town Manager also checked with the Town Clerk to see if there was anyone who ran for the position last June that was not elected. There was none the incumbents ran unopposed. Motion by Mr. Fortin to appoint George Elias to fill the trustee position for the Sanitary District until the June 2016 elections, seconded by Mr. Edgerly. Motion passed 5-0.

H. Selectmen's Concerns. None

I. Citizen's Concerns. None

J. Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter under 1 MRSA 405 (6)A: Motion to enter executive session by Mr. Edgerly, seconded by Mr. Ducharme. Motion approved 5-0. The board entered executive session at 710pm.

The board came out of executive session at 750pm. No action taken

K. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 751pm.