Machiasport Selectmen's Meeting Minutes August 22, 2022

5:00 PM

Call to Order: Brian Smith called meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Review Minutes of Previous Meeting: Brian Smith seconded motion of Jeff Davis to approve the minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried. Group recited Pledge of Allegiance.

Adjustments to Agenda: None

Old Business:

Approve Architects proposal: After brief discussion Jeff Davis seconded motion of Brian Smith to approve contract of Artifex as architects for the garage projects for a fee of \$23,800 plus travel expenses. All in favor, motion carried.

RAM – reserve or minimum advertised bid? Selectmen discussed condition of truck, prices, and sales of similar units. Brian Smith seconded motion of Ryan Sprague to advertise minimum bid of \$20,000. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business:

DMR Aquaculture memo: Selectmen discussed memo from DMR advising the State has exclusive rights to several aspects of aquaculture permitting. Audience members, Gerry Crispino, Danna Defalco and Jimmy Clark offered input with respect to DMR authority. Tabled until we can speak with Crystal Canney.

Federal Election Roundtable: Clerk explained recent session hosted by Federal Govt. discussing security aspects of elections. Clerk requested portable radio be made available to elections staff as emergency measure in the event communication lines were compromised. Selectmen advised Clerk to speak with FD to determine if they have a spare or one that could be used for the day.

Trap Tree: Instead of a Christmas tree this year, Clerk requests a tree made of lobster traps. Jeff advised he can find sufficient traps to create a tree.

Trunk 'r Treat: Clerk request permission to host an event for October 29th from 2-4. Jeff Davis seconded motion of Brian Smith to host trunk 'r treat. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment: Jimmy Clark advised he wanted to read into the record: Jimmy read the covenants on the Pettegrow property. Brian asked for clarification of since he could not hear to which Jimmy responded he was tired of Brian's insults and instructed Brian to stop insulting him. Jimmy continued reading covenant and asked if he was describing the correct lots. Jeff Davis advised lot 35 is the property. Jimmy and Jeff continued in on-going conversation regarding the covenants and the restrictions on the land. Jeff advised Jimmy they could discuss this all night but if Jimmy wants documents, he will have to make a request for them. Argument / debate continued.

Selectmen's Report: Brian attended MTS meeting, in person, in Pembroke. Trash still going to Canada, they're not recycling. Bob Mercer advised Jonesboro sells cardboard and will get information to Marcia. Brian apologized to Robert Arseneau because the meeting started at 5:00

PM. Brian read letter from WCCOG asking for support from communities. Bob Mercer advised Jonesboro elected to try with WCCOG. Jeff Davis seconded motion of Brian Smith to pay WCCOG \$750.00 this year, and to review for next year depending on results. All in favor, motion carried. Clerk misspoke on the charges for FOAA and clarified according to State Law. Jimmy Clark asked why he is slandered and insulted every time he attends a meeting. Jeff advised he will provide whatever information it is that Jimmy is seeking.

Clerk / Treasurer's Report: in binder

Tax Collector's Report: in binder

Executive Session: Pursuant to M.R.S.A §405(6)(D) Negotiations between public employer and employees; Pursuant to M.R.S.A §405(6)(C) Use of property Jeff Davis seconded the motion of Brian Smith to enter Executive Session at 6:06 PM. All in favor. 6:34 exit executive Session. Jeff Davis seconded motion of Brian Smith to increase benefits as discussed. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjourn Jeff Davis seconded motion of Brian Smith to adjourn, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:35PM.

Brian Smith

Jeffrey Davis

Ryan Sprague

Marcia L. Hayward / Clerk