

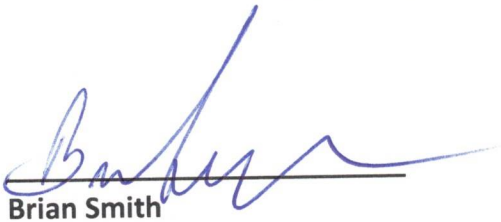
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

January 30, 2023

5:00 PM.

1. **Call to Order:** Brian Smith called meeting to order at 5 PM and led audience in Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Review Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Brian Smith seconded motion of Jeff Davis to accept minutes as provided. All in favor, motion carried.
3. **Adjustments to Agenda:** None
4. **Old Business:**
 - A. **Aquaculture Ordinance: Gerry/ Danna / Crystal:** Gerry advised Betsy made suggestions which were incorporated. Crystal stated her organization cannot defend verbiage that is not theirs. Crystal explained article which stated Machiasport was on a list from the state of possible aquaculture sites. She also advised of salmon anemia outbreak recently. Discussion of aquaculture, environmental risks and standards ensued. Jeff Davis rescinded motion to approve ordinance in hand and moved to table the issue until next meeting when Selectmen will have had time to compare wording of both ordinances. Brain seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
 - B. **Update Interest rates and CD's:** Clerk updated Selectmen on negotiations of interest rates with Bar Harbor Bank. Clerk suggested 26 -week CD is most profitable and town should consider 2 @ \$225,000 now and an additional 2 in 3 months. **Jeff seconded motion of Brian to approve CD's as mentioned above. All in favor, motion carried.**
 - C. **Beach Road – Theft complaint –** Cardboard, handwritten hazard signs were stolen from Beach Rd. and landowner states Sheriff's department will not prosecute unless the Town presses charges. Selectmen discussed and advised to call the SO and have Deputy warn the suspect that any further incidents will be prosecuted.
5. **New Business:**
 - A. **Firewood Sales: Jeff -** Jeff explained firewood will soon be available for sale at a cost of \$150.00 per cord in 26' length delivered. Most of the wood will be maple. Profit from sales to be used for Gator Rd. site and / or development.
 - B. **Harbor Master Job Description:** Brian read the job description and explained certification process. Selectmen advised Clerk to update job description to reflect State requirements for certification.

6. **Selectmen's Report:** Brian advised he was unable to get on to the NIMS training. Ryan was able to listen. There is an alternate date and Brian will attend. Ryan attended the MTS meeting. Price will not increase for now but will reassess in July.
7. **Clerk / Treasurers Report:** Clerk explained problems with postal service, late fees and disconnections. Clerk suggested paying outstanding balance as shown even though it will create a CR balance. Then, the account will be a month in advance. Jeff Davis seconded motion of Brian Smith to allow Clerk to use DR Card to bring Consolidated account to current status and maintain balance of 30 day credit. All in favor, motion carried. Clerk advised State has appraised the FOB land at \$170,000 and asked if the Town was prepared to move forward. Selectmen advised Clerk to inform State that the Town will sell at our assessed rate as previously discussed, as that is what the voters agreed.
8. **Tax Collector's Report:**
9. **Executive Session: None**
10. **Adjourn** Jeff Davis seconded motion of Brian Smith to adjourn. All in favor motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:49 PM.

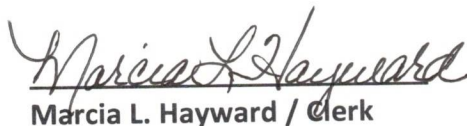


Brian Smith

Jeffrey Davis



Ryan Sprague



Marcia L. Hayward / Clerk