

MACHIASPORT SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 20, 2024 5:00 PM

SELECT BOARD: Jeffrey Davis, Ryan Maker, Ryan Sprague

Support: Marcia Hayward / Clerk

Audience: Bob Mercer, Kathy Mercer, Jen Peters, Jacob White, Robert Arseneau, Rose Arseneau, Barbara Maloy, David Cale, David Freedberg, Anna Grimshaw

1. **Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance:** Ryan Sprague called meeting to order and led audience in Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Review Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Ryan Sprague seconded the motion of Jeff Davis to approve minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.
3. **Adjustments to Agenda:** NONE
4. **Old Business:**
 - A. **Liberty Hall - Anna Grimshaw & David Freedberg / Ryan M.:** Ryan Maker explained that the Town would be unable to provide funds for Liberty Hall this year and wanted to begin a conversation about the Friends of Liberty Hall taking ownership of the building. Anna Grimshaw explained that Friends of Liberty understand the Town will be unable to contribute every year. David Freedberg explained that it's always been important from their perspective for the community to own the building. Discussion ensued. All agreed it was something to think about.
 - B. **School Budget:** Select Board discussed amended budget proposal. Bob Mercer questioned why the school board was not in attendance and historically have not been. Select Board did not have an answer. **Ryan Maker seconded the motion of Jeff Davis to add the amended budget to the warrant with a notation that the Select Board did not recommend.** all in favor, motion carried. Ryan Maker asked if in the future, there is a way for the School Board and Select Board to work closer together. Bob spoke on other towns and their procedures.
 - C. **Add Solar Ordinance to Warrant?** Discussion ensued regarding status of the ordinance. Clerk was instructed to send to Attorney and ask if he can have a reply in time for Town Meeting. **Ryan Maker seconded the motion of Ryan Sprague to post the ordinance in Warrant for town vote. If necessary, amendments will be made afterward and presented at a Special Town Meeting.** All in favor, motion carried.
5. **New Business:**
 - A. **Community Resilience Partnership:** Jenn Peters Jen Peters of Sunrise County Economic Council spoke on the Community Resilience Partnership and its benefits to municipalities. Once enrolled, SCEC will help the Town through the process of grant preparation. Select Board later instructed Clerk to start the process.
 - B. **Permission to trsf. \$2000. from E 25-25-03 Fire Calls to E 25-25-08 Training to cover over expenditures through year end?**
Move \$1200 from E 20-20-01 Office Supplies to E 20-20-54 Publishing

Move \$500.00 from E 20-20-11 Reg. of Deeds to E 20-20-07
Printing & Postage
Move \$400 from E 20-20-01 Office Supplies to E 20-20-55
Training and Travel
Move \$1000 from E 30-30-51 to E 30-30-55 Road Signs
Move \$250 from E 45-45-13 Repair / Maint. to E 45-45-17
Utilities

Clerk requested a change the \$ 500 from Registry of Deeds to \$2000
Ryan Sprague seconded the motion of Jeff Davis to approve the transfer
of funds as noted above, including the change in Registry of Deeds. All
in favor, motion carried.

C. Approve Town Meeting warrant with/ without above changes.

Clerk explained 2 two increases from budget meeting to increase
Publishing and Printing & Postage lines in the proposed budget.

**Ryan Maker seconded the motion of Jeff Davis to approve the above changes
to the proposed budget. All in favor, motion carried. Jeff Davis seconded the motion
of Ryan Sprague to approve the Warrant with the above changes. All in favor, motion
carried.**

6. **Selectmen's Report:** Jeff advised that Robbie is done cutting.

7. **Clerk/Treasurer's Report:** Clerk advised speaking with Marion Transfer and changing the
contact to herself in order to obtain the emails and attend meetings. Any municipalities
missing 3 meetings will have their rate changed from \$.07/lb. to \$.10/lb.
Clerk advised Board she needs to know how far to go with the hospice building. Clerk has
list of items needing attention/ service. Ryan Maker asked if there was money in the budget to cover
any repairs and Clerk advised there is money available. Ryan suggested addressing the
Clerk's list as long as funds are available. Board agreed the Town Office will move to the hospice
building.

8. **Tax Collector's Report:** In Binder

9. **Executive Session:** NONE

10. **Adjourn:** Ryan Sprague seconded the motion of Jeff Davis to adjourn. All in favor, meeting
Adjourned at 5:56 PM.

Ryan Sprague



Ryan Maker



Marcia L. Hayward / Clerk

Sign in, Agenda,