Town of Machiasport Selectmen's Meeting Minutes April 22, 2024

Selectmen: Jeffrey Davis, Ryan Maker, Ryan Sprague

Support: Marcia Hayward / Clerk

Audience: Robert Arseneau, Amanda Sprague, Kathy Mercer, Bob Mercer, Celeste Sherman, Steven Hedlund, Sue Almendinger, Scott Porter, David Cale, Hillary Tibbetts,

Rose Arseneau

- 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 accept the minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

3. Adjustments to Agenda

School Budget: Scott Porter explained the proposed budget presented. Budget requests an increase over previous year of \$173,140. After considerable discussion Ryan Maker seconded the motion of Jeff Davis not to pass the proposed budget. All in favor, motion carried.

4. Old Business:

- **A.** Hospice Bids: Selectmen reviewed bids by Harbor Homes and Unity Construction LLC. Jeff recused himself for family connection to Unity Construction and Ryan S. recused himself for family connection to Harbor Homes. Both Jeff and Ryan S. authorized Ryan M. to decide on the bids. Low bid was Harbor Homes by \$2000 and bid was awarded to them.
- **B. Solar Ordinance:** Ryan Maker explained issues he had with the draft presented. Bob Mercer spoke on changes made to the draft. Robert Arseneau stated he would support whatever the Selectmen decided.
- **C. Harbor Master:** Wake buoy David spoke requesting permission to order a wake buoy. Jeff Davis advised the Town has one somewhere and he will find it. Also discussed was the weight capacity for the crane at the pier. Selectmen advised to order signage for 500# limit.
- **D.** Facebook Policy: Selectmen were presented with a draft Facebook policy. Ryan Maker seconded the motion of Ryan Sprague to approve as presented.

5. New Business: NONE

- 6. Selectmen's Report: None
- 7. Clerk/Treasurer's Report: In binder
- 8. Tax Collector's Report: In binder
- 9. Executive Session: Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) Assignment of officials / appointees / employees 6:29 PM Ryan Maker seconded the motion of Jeff Davis to enter executive session. All in favor, motion carried. Ryan Sprague seconded the motion of Ryan Maker to exit executive session. No motion made.
- 10. Adjourn: 7:08 PM Ryan Sprague seconded the motion of Jeff Davis to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Jeffrey Davis

Ryan Maker

Marcia I Hayward / Clark