Town of Blue Hill Select Board Meeting Minutes August 29, 2022

Called the meeting to order at 5:30pm,

- **1. Quorum and meeting attendance-** E. Best; J. Dow; S. Miller; B. Smythe; S. Dooley; N. Nadeau, Town Admin; L. Dow, Town Clerk; Annaliese Hafford, Olver rep; J. Milliken; T Horton; V. Leach; N. Sichterman; J. Roth, Weekly Packet;
- 2. Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes of August 22, 2022- 5-0 approved.
- **3. USDA Rural Development wastewater funding application public hearing @ 5:30p**-Annaliese Hafford from Olver discussed the Rural Development Loan/Grant application which has been submitted. She summarized the plan, including a list of immediate upgrades and replacement costs. The hope is to receive at least a 45% grant from Rural Development, further reducing the payment that will need to be paid on an annual basis. Included in the report prepared by Olver. No public comment outside of clarifying questions, with no objections from those present. 5:54 hearing closed.
- **4. Public Comment-** Resident Tim Horton: will there be more public hearings regarding the harbor dredging project. Ellen expressed that there would be at least one more before town meeting.

Old Business:

- 1. **GSA/School Committee Discussion-** Jim spoke with Terry Moulton, a GSA Board member responsible for finance, and determined that his presence at the meeting was not necessary, but encouraged Brock Muir to reach out. Nick said that he and Brock have been in communication and they plan to meet this week.
- 2. **Cemetery Moratorium Discussion-** Lyndsey met with Bobby Carter to compare plot maps. His feeling is that the moratorium should be extended until he is given clear direction for setting out the new plot sections at both cemeteries. Ellen and Jim will meet with Lyndsey look at the current maps and discuss. Scott moved extending the moratorium until September 20th, Jim seconded. 5-0 approved.

New Business:

1. Island Nursing Home Discussion- Skip Greenlaw asked the Board and the Town of Blue Hill for their assistance in obtaining ideas for affordable workforce housing for potential candidates for the Island Nursing home staff. There is a shortage of affordable housing statewide and the Island Nursing Home committee is hopeful that they are able to find staffing to keep the home open.

Administrator Business

1. Police Enforcement – Nick gave an update of the outcome of the police presence in town. He contracted with Hancock county for two shifts and will ask for a report after the second one has concluded. He will discuss with the Board a decided what to do moving forward.

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- **2.** Authorize N. Nadeau as a designee for the bank deposit box- Scott moved adding Nick to the town's safety deposit box. Butler seconded. 5-0 approved.
- **3. Fall recreation programming –** Nick received report from Andrew as to what he has been up to this year- gave the go head for fall rec soccer at affordable cost. Plans for basketball this winter.
- **4. FOAA request** The request has been completed. Nick has been in contact with Mr. Bernacki to inform him of the finished project as well as the final cost.
- **5.** Town Hall public access- Work has started on the front steps. The public will begin using the side door to access the building.

Other Business

- 1. Updates/Reminders
 - a. SolAmerica Hearing: September 1st @ 6:30pm
 - b. Solid Waste Committee meeting September 6th. @ 4pm
 - c. Next SB Meeting: September 12th- No Labor Day meeting.
- 2. **Comp Plan Committee-** Jim and Scott will meet to discuss their candidates for the committee. Their hope is to appoint 12 members.

Warrant signatures- Warrants Signed.

Adjourn- Meeting Adjourned 6:49p