

Select Board Meeting
Tuesday January 9th, 2023
Town of Blue Hill
Minutes

Called meeting to order at 5:32pm

1. **Quorum and meeting attendance-** E. Best; J. Dow; S. Miller; B. Smythe; S. Dooley; N. Nadeau, Town Admin; L. Dow, Town Clerk; varies members of the public and the press.
2. **Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes of January 3rd** – Butler moved adoption of minutes as submitted. Scott seconded. Approved 5-0.
3. **Public Comment-** Jeff Milliken informed the select board that the Vulnerability Plan group of Brooksville and Blue Hill will be meeting on Wednesday with the Select Board of Surry to incorporate the town of Surry into the project of developing a Vulnerability Study now for all three towns. Nick will be there to represent Blue Hill. They anticipate an outcome with an amended resolution that all towns will agree to work for a Vulnerability Study that will incorporate the funds granted to Blue Hill and Brooksville to be combined with the funds granted to Surry. It will become a three-town study not just the two that Blue Hill resolved to do earlier in the fall.

Old Business

1. **Front Stairs Project Update and Discussion-**
 - a. Nick met with Brian last week to discuss concerns and negotiate the previously presented invoice. The board reviewed the notes with some minor edits and clarifications. Scott moved to authorize Nick to sign and have Brian sign, the contract set forth in the memo after clarification. Butler second. Approved 5-0.
 - b. Cory Esposito was recommended to install the railings. Nick will follow up on that lead.

New Business:

1. **Sign USDA RD Grant Resolution- TABLED**
2. **Consider alternate Planning Board member-** Scott moved to appoint Matthew Martin as the alternate Planning Board member per the Planning boards recommendation. Butler seconded. Approved 5-0.
3. **Healthy Ecosystems Ordinance discussion-** Ellen received an email from a group in Kennebunk Port regarding our current Healthy Eco systems ordinance, they are looking to implement on and asked for feedback. Scott's recommendation was since it was a citizen's initiative, that those involved in the drafting of the document should be asked. Ellen will respond with the information discussed.

Administrator Business

1. **2022 Auditor Engagement Letter-** Jim moved to authorize Nick to sign the engagement letter with RHR Smith and Co. Butler seconded. Scott asked for clarification on the single audit requirement. Nick will clarify. Approved 5-0.
2. **Update on Union 93 financial oversight-** Nick met with Reg Ruhlin to discuss moving away from the Select Board signing school warrants. Reg will meet with the school

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board Chair; Jan Snow to further discuss. Nick will provide an update when one is received.

Other Business

1. Harbormaster/wharf-

- a. Scott got a call from the Harbormaster regarding an ongoing issue with a boat/trailer being parked at the South Blue Hill Wharf. Denny may know the owner and will try to be in contact with them. Scott reviewing the laws surrounding abandoned property and will ask the Marine Resources committee to look into adopting rules and regulations governing the wharf.
- b. Denny informed Scott that he may want to have the crane at the South Blue Hill Wharf repaired. Upon notifying the board, they agreed that Denny should recommend it be put forth to the legislative body at the annual town meeting and will ask Denny to decide whether or not it be added to the warrant.

2. Meeting Updates/Reminders

- a. **Solid Waste Committee budget meeting** – Wednesday January 11th @ 4pm
- b. **Planning Board Public Hearing-** Wednesday January 11th @ 5:30 pm in theater.
- c. **Comprehensive Plan Committee-** Thursday January 12th @ 4pm
- d. **Select Board Meeting** – No meeting the week of the 16th in observance of MLK Jr Day.
- e. **Select Board Budget Meeting #3** – Thursday, January 19th @ 3pm
- f. **Select Board Budget Meeting #4** – Wednesday, January 25th @ 3pm
 - i. **Parking lot-2023 town report & warrants; personnel policy updates; ARPA reporting; USDA RD loan MMA update.**

Warrant signatures- Warrants signed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm

Approved 5-0 01/16/2023

Respectfully Submitted,

/S/Lyndsey Dow, Town Clerk