

**Town of Blue Hill
Select Board Meeting
Monday, April 29, 2024
Minutes**

Called the meeting to order at 5:30pm

1. **Quorum and meeting attendance** – E. Best (Chair), B. Adams, J. Dow, S. Miller, J. Wootten, J. Atwell (Town Administrator – online), M. Rockwell (Treasurer)
2. **Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes of April 22** – J. Dow moved to approve the April 22 Select Board Meeting Minutes as edited; S. Miller seconded. Vote: 5/0 Approved.
3. **Public Comment** – There were no public comments.

Business

1. **Banking/Investments** – Tabled.
2. **Public Hearing**
 - a. **Vending Permit Application – Stone Fox Farm (5:45pm)** – Stone Fox Farm has completed an application for a vending permit to serve ice cream at the Town Park. Public comment was in favor of ice cream at the park. S. Miller moved to approve the permit; J. Dow seconded. Vote: 5/0 Approved.
3. **Seaside Cemetery Rules – J. Dow** – Tabled. Hunter and Jim took out two truckloads of brush last week to aide in cemetery clean up.
4. **Sewer Extension Request – Peters Cove vicinity** – The Board hasn't heard back from Olver on this issue as of yet. E. Best was able to find a similar request from two years ago for Lucy Semler and at that time the cost estimate to extend was \$1.9 million. The Board decided to remove the item from Olver's list of items to do at this point as it is the same area of extension.
5. **Marine Resources – Float Construction** – Harbormaster Nick Niehoff addressed the Board. They have decided to reuse the finger floats again this year with some minor repairs. There are two new floats for South Blue Hill Wharf and should be in the water by Friday (May 3). The concrete planks have been replaced on the ramp and wharf in South Blue Hill. When asked about mooring applications, N. Niehoff felt we had just under 100 so far.
The Board discussed with N. Niehoff the grant opportunity that the Town is in the process of applying for. A letter of intent was approved for this \$50k grant. It is for the design and engineering of two wharfs and the infrastructure due to sea level rise and climate change. The full application is due by May 31, 2024.

Other Business

1. **Tax Acquired Properties** – The new regulations make it unattractive to foreclose on property. S. Miller asked Aga to touch on this in the April 30 legal meeting.
2. **Fire House Relocation** – Surveyors will be out on Wednesday or Thursday (May 1 or 2) to do some topographic work.

Executive Session

S. Miller moved to go into executive session at 5:51pm per 1 M.R.S. §405(6)(A) Personnel Matters; B. Adams seconded. Vote: 5/0 Approved.

The executive session closed at 6:39pm.

No action was taken after the session.

Adjournment

At 6:45 J. Dow moved to adjourn the meeting after warrant disbursements were signed; B. Adams seconded. Approved.