

Town of Livermore Falls

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James Long- Chair
Ernie Souther- Vice
William Kenniston

Bruce Peary
James Cyr

Select Board Meeting
Tuesday, January 3, 2023
Livermore Falls Town Office
3:00pm

Board: Jim Long, Ernie Souther, William Kenniston, Bruce Peary, James Cyr
Department Heads: Bill Nichols, Mike Adcock
Residents/Public: See sign in Sheet

6:00 Pledge of Allegiance

6:03 Jim made motion to enter executive session for MRS Title 1 Chap.13 & 405 § (6) (E)

Ernie made second motion

VOTE: 5-0 to enter executive session

6:34 Ernie made first motion to exit executive session

Jim made second motion

VOTE 5-0 to exit executive session

Jim calls regular meeting to order

Approval of minutes from December 20, 2022

Will made note of the volunteers that we named were not recognized as part of the national recognition but he did want them to be recognized.

Ernie made first motion to accept the minutes with the change of volunteer status

Will made second motion

VOTE 5-0 to accept minutes with change regarding volunteers.

OLD BUSINESS:

PETITION: All board members have copies and are engaging with an investigator; the investigator's name is Stacey Neumann out of Portland.

Jim made first motion to go accept Stacey as the investigator for the town

Ernie made second motion

VOTE: 5-0 to go with Stacey Neumann as investigator for the town.

Fire Department Consultant: Jim will see if we can get consultant Sherman Lahaie to assist in an advisory role. We will be looking for help with hiring and making sure BOL report has been worked and everything is complete and back to where it needs to be.

Jim made first motion

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Ernie made second motion

VOTE: 5-0 to accept bringing Sherman on board as consultant.

East Livermore Substation Update: Jim says we understand that this is a sore spot with many and want you to know that Sherm will assist us with this also. We have also asked Tom Barker to join the committee for the sub-station and he has accepted.

Fire Chief Selection Committee Update: Ernie and James met with Amanda and they have decided to expand and reopen the position, want to advertise in Bulldog, Lewiston Sun, Kennebec Journal and Maine Firefighters chief association and hopefully it will reach other potential candidates. Letter to go to the 3 previous applicants letting them know that the applications will still be considered and they do not need to reapply and we are just hoping for a bigger pool to pick from.

Non-urgent Fire Department Call Reimbursement:

Non-urgent fire department calls pay scale has been approved by Jay and Livermore, we need to pay for this within the confines of the budget, we need to see if we can pay for this through the Fire Department, Town manager to work with other towns on getting this paid for services dating back to Oct 1,2022

Jim made first motion to direct town manager to work with Jay and Livermore to come back with plan on how to pay for the services provided by the other towns.

Ernie made second motion

VOTE: 5-0 to proceed with a plan on paying back other towns for their services.

FYE 2022-2021 Audit Update:

Fiscal year audit update at the next regular board meeting January 17,2023 someone from RHR will be here Thursday January 5th to finish up audit.

Warrants/abatements/deeds/quit claim- Correction

1 correction to a Quit Claim for a map and lot number and market value

Correction done and verified

Jim made first motion to accept corrected copy

Ernie made second motion

VOTE: 5-0 to accept corrected tax form

Board:

Will- nothing

Jim- update the fees for code enforcement, feel we are losing a lot of revenue for the town by not charging proper fees.

Also, draft ordinances- mobile food and solar energy, these are in the Board's packets. Please look them over.

What will it take to be ready for the April 25th election, can it be ready? The attorney has highlighted the suggested changes.

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Next meeting we will talk about the medical marijuana license renewals

More restrictive policy in place as soon as we can

Ernie- emergency medical response license really needs to be put back in place.

Town manager will work on this. Ernie asked Veronica what is needed to get the license back and she responded with 1 medic which we have.

Jim says we need to concentrate on getting the fire department up and running the way it should be.

James- nothing

Department Heads

Billy: demolition at the dump went from \$60.00 per ton last May to \$125.00 per ton now and feels the fuel surcharges will not be going away anytime soon.

Mike: nothing for the police department

Respectfully Submitted by:

Doris Austin, Town Clerk

