

Location: Carmel Town Office

Selectmen Present: Daniel Frye, Suzan Rudnicki, Isaac Raymond, Jared Fitts and Timothy Richardson, Jr.

Interim Town Manager: Andrew Hart

Rec. Secretary: Coreen Sylvester

Guests Present: Fire Chief Ralph Shaw, Budget Committee Members David Richardson, Wilbur Senter, Nancy Dysart, Jeannie Savoy, Evelyn L. Smith, Bryan Roy and Troy Garland and Gerald Burns III, Glennis McSorley and Toby Pelletier

5:30 PM: Daniel Frye called the Selectmen's meeting to order.

MINUTES: Suzan Rudnicki made a motion to accept the minutes of February 7, 2024 as written. Jared Fitts seconded. Five voted in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

Interim Town Manager: Daniel Frye introduced Andrew Hart and gave a summary of his background. Andrew gave a summary of his background as a town manager and a county administrator. Andy stated he wants to keep the town moving forward, and said he has been made to feel very welcomed by the office staff.

CMP Pole Permit: Isaac Raymond made a motion to sign a CMP pole permit for the corner of Newburgh Road and Hinckley Hill Roads. Timothy Richardson Jr. seconded. Five voted in favor.

Roads: Tim Richardson said that in December he and Kevin Howell had a discussion regarding Perry Lane becoming a muddy issue. He got a call today from a resident on that road, so he went and looked at it. If a fire truck had to go down it, they would most likely have to call a tow truck. Tim made some calls and got a contractor out there to fix the bad spot, but down the road we may have to look into fixing the road. Part of the problem is the sides of the road are higher than the middle.

Tim said everything is good with the roads. The roads are all posted, and he has had calls from a couple people requesting permits.

Recycler's License for Leonard Automotive: Isaac Raymond made a motion to sign the Recycler's License Zoning Renewal for Leonard Automotive. Jared Fitts seconded. Five voted in favor.

CMP Lights Cook/Plymouth: Dan said Kevin had started the CMP paperwork for lights at the corner of Cook and Plymouth Roads and down by the sand shed. Andy has completed it and filed the paperwork with CMP.

Sensor on Sand Shed Door: Tim let the Board know we had to have a sensor replaced on the sand shed door. One of the safety sensors wouldn't open or close and had to be opened manually.

Update on FEMA Grant/December 18th Storm Damage: Andy said he spoke with the EMA Director regarding damage to one of our dugouts and roads, has submitted the request for public assistance and has gotten set up as the contact person. Now waiting to hear back from FEMA. The Secretary of Agriculture has authorized a natural disaster for Penobscot County, and said to share the email (from February 1st) about it with agricultural producers in our area.

Code Enforcement Officer Update: Isaac Raymond stated he had met with interim C.E.O. Jordan McLaughlin and they drove around to familiarize him with the town.

Update on The Village Park: Isaac Raymond said he has contacted a representative regarding the Recreational Trails Program grant, and we do have a year with the possibility of an extension. There was discussion about whether we want to have Alan Perry continue with the surveying; it has not been permanently pinned yet for the property we got from Aaron Hawes.

Communication Options: Dan Frye said he has figured out how to add information to the Town's website and the electronic sign, and is still working on finding out how to access the Town's Facebook page.

WARRANT: Jared Fitts made a motion to accept the payroll warrant of **February 12, 2024** in the amount of **\$5,901.64**. Tim Richardson seconded. Five voted in favor.

WARRANT: Jared Fitts made a motion to accept the accounts payable warrant of **February 12, 2024** in the amount of **\$64,630.59**. Sue Rudnicki seconded. Five voted in favor.

ADJOURNMENT: Daniel Frye made a motion to adjourn. Tim Richardson seconded. Five voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:26 pm.
Timothy Richardson, Jr.