

Location: Carmel Town Office

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

Town Manager/CEO: Kevin Howell

Rec. Secretary: Coreen Sylvester

6:30 PM: Daniel Frye called the Selectmen's meeting to order.

MINUTES: Isaac Raymond made a motion to accept the minutes of July 10, 2023 as written. Jared Fitts seconded. Three voted in favor. Suzan Rudnicki and Tim Richardson abstained as they were not present for that meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Maine Municipal Association Election: The Town Manager stated MMA is having its annual election of executive committee members and asked Selectmen if they wanted to vote or designate him to vote. Jared Fitts made a motion to designate Kevin Howell to vote for MMA's executive committee members. Isaac Raymond seconded. Five voted in favor.

RSU 87 Director Vacancy: Kevin stated Phillip Richardson and Peter Pelletier submitted statements of interest for the RSU 87 Director vacancy. After discussion, Suzan Rudnicki made a motion to appoint Phillip Richardson as an RSU 87 Director until the next municipal election. Isaac Raymond seconded. Five voted in favor.

Law Enforcement Contract: Kevin said Sheriff Troy Morton notified him to say they are able to offer a new three-year contract for the Community Policing Contract.

Aroostook Renewable Gateway Project: The Town Manager attended the meeting held in Etna by LS Power on July 18th to discuss possible routes for new power lines. Kevin proposed sending an informational letter and map to potentially affected property owners. Selectmen had no objections.

Roadwork Update: There was discussion regarding current roadwork and potential future projects. Kevin said paving is being completed this week.

Salting vs. Sanding: Tim Richardson asked if there would be interest in using salt only instead of sand and salt mix from Cook Road to the center of town, from Ash Hill Road to the center of town, on Church Street and on Safety Lane to try to keep the sand out of the village. The Town Manager and Selectmen agreed to give it a try this coming winter.

WARRANT: Jared Fitts made a motion to accept the payroll warrant of **July 17, 2023** in the amount of **\$9,506.37**. Tim Richardson seconded. Five voted in favor.

WARRANT: Jared Fitts made a motion to accept the payroll warrant of **July 24, 2023** in the amount of **\$9,727.24**. Tim Richardson seconded. Five voted in favor.

WARRANT: Jared Fitts made a motion to accept the accounts payable warrant of **July 24, 2023** in the amount of **\$50,658.63**. Isaac Raymond seconded. Four voted in favor. Tim Richardson abstained.

ADJOURNMENT: Dan Frye made a motion to adjourn. Sue Rudnicki seconded. Five voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm.