

**Location:** Carmel Town Office

**Selectmen Present:** Daniel Frye, Isaac Raymond and Jared Fitts

**Absent:** Suzan Rudnicki and Timothy Richardson, Jr.

**Town Manager/CEO:** Kevin Howell

**Rec. Secretary:** Coreen Sylvester

**Guests Present:** Adam Graham and Jim Dunning of Casella's, Glennis McSorley and Toby Pelletier

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

**MINUTES:** Jared Fitts made a motion to accept the minutes of August 28, 2023 as written. Isaac Raymond seconded. Three voted in favor.

**MINUTES:** Voting on the minutes of August 14, 2023 was tabled until enough Selectmen are present who attended that meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Trash Pickup Schedule Change & Fall Cleanup:** There was discussion between Adam Graham and Jim Dunning, the Town Manager and Selectmen regarding changing the weekly trash schedule to do half of the town on Mondays and the other half on Tuesdays. This is due to the logistics of staffing and drivers in order to get a more even balance on scheduling, and they will send a mailer to all residents to let them know of the change.

There was also discussion about fall cleanup, which will be on October 14, 2023 from 7:00 am to 4:00 pm at the public works lot.

**Carmel Days Update:** Kevin Howell gave an update on Carmel Days and said it is coming together well. Sponsorship is up from last year and more events have been added.

**State EMS Blue Ribbon Commission:** Kevin let the Board know he has been asked to sit on the State EMS Blue Ribbon Commission as a municipal representative. It is a group of sixteen individuals from all sectors of EMS to make recommendations for improvement in EMS, including municipal representatives, legislators and members of the fire service. Kevin said he has also been asked to sit on a focus group for the governor's office of policy and innovation in the future.

**Municipal Review Committee Board:** Kevin's seat on the MRC Board is up for nomination for his third term.

**Maine Municipal Association Voting Authority:** Selectmen signed a paper to authorize the Town Manager to vote at the annual MMA board meeting.

**Junior Firefighter Program:** The Town Manager said our Junior Firefighter Program is becoming very active and meet weekly. This year there are eight students from Caravel Middle School signed up for the curriculum, and hopefully will become junior firefighters when they are old enough.

**Municipal Building Expansion:** Kevin will be meeting with the architects on Friday to look at a proposed design for the municipal building.

**PFAS Update – Filter Quote – DEP Findings:** Kevin gave an update on the testing done by DEP at the town office and some residents’ properties downhill from us.

We received a quote of \$5,200.00 from AERUS for a filtration system. Selectmen asked Kevin to find out about maintenance and/or a service plan.

**WARRANT:** Jared Fitts made a motion to accept the payroll warrant of **September 5, 2023** in the amount of **\$16,840.30**. Isaac Raymond seconded. Three voted in favor.

**WARRANT:** Jared Fitts made a motion to accept the payroll warrant of **September 11, 2023** in the amount of **\$9,164.77**. Isaac Raymond seconded. Three voted in favor.

**WARRANT:** Jared Fitts made a motion to accept the accounts payable warrant of **September 11, 2023** in the amount of **\$279,327.67**. Isaac Raymond seconded. Three voted in favor.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Daniel Frye made a motion to adjourn. Jared Fitts seconded. Three voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.