

**Town of Whitefield
Select Board Meeting Minutes
09 April 2024**

Present: Seth Bolduc (Chair), Keith Sanborn (Vice-Chair), James Torbert, Joshua Leard, Brent Hallowell and Yolanda Violette.

1. The meeting was called to order by Seth.
2. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes 26 March. Motion carried 5-0.
3. Accounts payable and payroll warrants were approved and signed.
4. Updated permit fees for the amended subdivision ordinance
 - (a) Minor Subdivision - 5 lots or dwelling units or less, Section 6 Minor Subdivisions -6.2 Procedure -B - page 8: \$15.00 per lot / dwelling unit.
Additional fees: Advertising and Postal Notifications will be at cost.
 - (b) Major Subdivision - more than 5 lots or dwelling units preliminary plan. Section 7 Preliminary Plan for Major Subdivision - 7.1 Procedure - B - page 10: \$15.00 per lot / dwelling unit.
Additional Fees: Special account for independent consulting services: \$25.00 per lot / dwelling unit, once drawn down by 75% the fund is to be restored to 100%, any balance upon completion will be returned to the applicant.
 - (c) Final Plan, Section 8 Final Plan for Major Subdivision - 8.1 Procedure -B - page 13: \$20.00 per lot dwelling unit.A motion was made and seconded to accept the updated permit fees. Motion carried 5-0
5. Personnel Policy amendment, adding a paragraph to Article 6, to allow for remote work from home on a case by case basis with approval from the Administrative Assistant and a majority of the Select Board. New paragraph would be in Article 6 C. of the Town of Whitefield Personnel Policy. A motion was made and seconded to accept the policy amendment. Motion carried 5-0. The Select Board proceeded to sign the new policy.
6. Roads:
 - (a) Jewett bridge replacement update, the detour for bridge replacement will not allow for heavy truck traffic to travel across town roads, they will be detoured to state roads, while light vehicle traffic will be detoured over town roads, awaiting final agreement from MDOT.
 - (b) Road salt estimate for 24/25, a motion was made and seconded to participate in the state bid for salt for next winter committing to purchase 400 ton +/- 100 ton. Motion carried 5-0
 - (c) Street light request, a resident in the area of Wiscasset Road and Thayer road has requested a street light at that intersection citing safety concerns. A motion was made and seconded to have Central Maine Power install a streetlight at the intersection. Motion carried 4-1
7. Ambulance Service, Keith reported he is still waiting to hear from Wiscasset Ambulance on the feasibility of Wiscasset covering a portion of town to reduce response time, as well as Delta considering a "fly car" located in town to get care to patients before the ambulance arrives.
8. The Select Board was reviewing the Disposition of Tax-Acquired Property Policy, it was decided that the town lawyer should be consulted regarding verbiage.

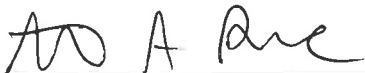
9. Correspondence: None

10. Other:

- a. Mills Road septic concern, at our last meeting Bradley Bowden came before the board with concern about an abutting property (363 Mills Road) that is discharging suspected septic wastewater from a failed/non existing septic system onto his property. Plumbing inspector Arthur Strout joined the meeting and will be going to the site to collect more information and reinspect.
- b. There is a shredding day on 4 May 2024 in China at a cost of \$150. The Select Board decided not to promote this event.
- c. There is a Public Hearing (Wednesday, April 10) for the Holistic Sober Center at 6pm. All are invited.

11. Executive Session, a motion was made and seconded to enter executive session - Personnel Matter Title 1 M.R.S. 405(6)(A). Motion carried 5-0. Board entered executive session at 7:07 PM, and exited at 7:12 PM. No vote was made following the session.

12. Meeting adjourned.


Seth A Bolduc, Chair

23 APRIL 2024
Date


Keith D Sanborn, Vice Chair


Joshua T Leard MA 710351


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