

Garland Select Board
Meeting Minutes
September 11, 2024, at 6:00pm
108 Corinth Rd

1. Opening Ceremonies:
 - a. R. Fick called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.
 - b. R. Fick, N. Watson and T. Scott attended as a quorum of the board. L. Keefe, Administrator, present.
 - c. R. Fick motioned to accept the agenda as presented with an add-on: Planning Board update – “letter l.” Seconded by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott voted Aye.

2. Public Comments: R. Fick motioned to open to public comment at 6:02pm. Seconded by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott voted Aye.

Sue Berryhill attending

T. Scott said she and her husband visited the Highway sand/salt shed and it appears that it is quite full. She also visited other surrounding towns’ sand/salt sheds, and we are a lot further along in putting up material.

R. Fick voted to close to public comments at 6:06pm. Seconded by T. Scott. T. Scott & N. Watson voted Aye.

3. Consent Agenda:

R. Fick motioned to accept the consent agenda items as presented: Campbell Stream Crossing meeting minutes and August bank statements. Seconded by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott voted Aye.

4. Motions/Discussions:
 - a. R. Fick motioned to approve and sign the August 28, 2024, meeting minutes as presented. N. Watson seconded. N. Watson & T. Scott voted Aye.
 - b. R. Fick recused herself from discussion/vote due to conflict of interest. N. Watson motioned to approve and sign the Junkyard Renewal Permit for Christopher Fick dba Far Out Foreign Auto for the period of September 11, 2024, to October 1, 2025. Seconded by T. Scott. T. Scott and N. Watson voted Aye.
 - c. R. Fick motioned to approve and sign the Maine Revenue Services 2024 Municipal Valuation Return as presented by Maine Assessment & Appraisal. Seconded by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott voted Aye.
 - d. T. Scott recused herself from discussion/vote due to conflict of interest.

R. Fick motioned to approve and sign the abatement forms for:

Acct# 1261 abatement for land assessment \$222.95
Acct# 346 abatement for building assessment \$2405.44
Acct# 1116 abatement for land assessment \$195.49

All seconded by N. Watson. N. Watson & R. Fick voted Aye.

- e. T. Scott recused herself from discussion/vote due to conflict of interest.

R. Fick motioned to approve and sign the Supplemental Tax Warrant (Title 36 M.R.S.A., Section 713): Seconded by N. Watson. N. Watson & R. Fick voted Aye.

Acct #1261 corrected to assess taxes for land & building \$2826.38

Acct # 1116 corrected to assess taxes for land & building \$521.23

R. Fick motioned to assess Acct # 1116 the \$100 fine for not submitting a Notification to Build permit. Seconded by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott voted Aye.

- f. R. Fick motioned to accept K. Flynn's resignation effective 9/13/24. His last day of work is 9/12. Seconded by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott voted Aye.

- g. R. Fick motioned to schedule a workshop session for development of a cash flow spreadsheet on 9/25/24 at 5:00pm. Seconded by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott voted Aye. L. Keefe to post.

- h. R. Fick motioned to reinstall a land line at the Highway Garage for safety. Seconded by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott voted Aye.

- i. A final review for edits of the Personnel Policy was conducted. R. Fick motioned for L. Keefe to present the edited draft for approval at the next meeting. Seconded by T. Scott. T. Scott & N. Watson voted Aye.

- j. L. Keefe outlined the 2 proposals from Harris Systems for the TRIO upgrade from Sequel to Web – one with Trio hosting and the other with us hosting. If the agreement is signed by December 2024, there is a \$2,000 discount on the cost of the upgrade. We have until the end of 2025 to complete the upgrade.

R. Fick motioned to approve the TRIO Web upgrade with the hosting. Seconded by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott voted Aye. L. Keefe to bring the contract to the next meeting for signatures.

- k. Activity in the cemetery recorded during 10p-1a. Several cars coming at different times but searching around the same area. R. Fick motioned to purchase a set of cameras. Seconded by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott voted Aye.

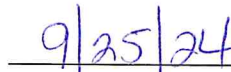
- l. R. Fick read the update from the Planning Board in an email sent by N. Pitts.

1. Looking for someone to fill the vacancy left by Ursula.

2. Discussed boat ramp improvements at Garland Pond and culvert replacements. Will explore grant opportunities
 3. Peter Malia, Penquis CAP, will speak to their new housing division for affordable housing, at the 10/8 Planning Board meeting. There is grant funding available. S. Berryhill stated the discussion centered on housing for the elderly.
5. Updates/Pending:
- L. Keefe presented updates from discussions during the last meeting. The edits have been made to the Transfer Station Fee Schedule and will be available to hand out on 9/21.
 - L. Keefe provided a reminder to K. Wood that the redi-block needs to be ordered ASAP so the grant is not forfeited.
 - R. Fick stated she gave information to K. Wood on Maine IFW beaver control measures.
 - R. Fick stated that New England Motors is building a new garage to accommodate large trucks. Their labor cost is \$95/hr vs the rate we currently pay elsewhere of \$115. Something to consider.
6. R. Fick motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:09pm. Seconded by N. Watson. N. Watson & T. Scott voted Aye.

Respectfully submitted,

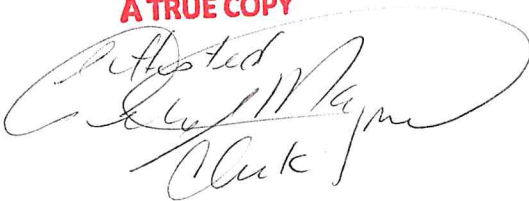

Regina Fick, Select Board Chair


Date


Nova Watson, Selectperson


Teresa Scott, Selectperson

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