

**TOWN OF ROME, MAINE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
AUGUST 6, 2018
MINUTES**

Chairman Richard LaBelle called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 6:00pm in the Selectmen's Office at the Rome Community Center in Rome. Selectmen LaBelle, Stratton, and Charles were present. A quorum was declared. Also present for all or parts of the meeting were Carroll Bubar, Abby DiPietro, Lawrence Garrison, and Tammy Lyons.

Recitation of Pledge of Allegiance.

Charles/Stratton Motion to accept minutes for July 23, 2018 selectmen's meeting.
LaBelle, Stratton, Charles in favor (3-0)

Road Commissioner Carroll Bubar provided an update on the continued construction on Route 225. Bubar spoke earlier in the day with a Pike employee; they have almost completed the first coat of asphalt. Once that is complete they will be working on ditching and culverts. They hope to be completing the final coat of asphalt and finishing up the project within three weeks.

Roadside mowing was recently done, but will be being re done. Mowing had been completed but it was not cut short enough or far enough off the road. Road Commissioner Bubar will be personally completing the second mowing. Bamboo continues to be an invasive plant near the Town roadways and we are working to mitigate its impact and spreading.

A call was recently received at the Town Office from a resident of Dry Point Drive. The resident was concerned at the amount of gravel in the road way due to a wash out. Bubar checked on the situation and discovered that there is a significant wash out that he hopes to fix with cold patch.

Stratton/Charles Motion to approve purchase order for cold patch, not to exceed \$300.
LaBelle, Stratton, Charles in favor (3-0)

Selectman LaBelle noticed that the Roads and Bridges account was drawn exceptionally low, considering planned expenses. After reviewing the account, it he was made aware of an expense misclassified against that account instead of the North Pond reconstruction account. This \$10,840 expense should be properly accounted for under the reconstruction project and restore the balance for Roads and Bridges. These changes will correct the balance in the roads & bridges account to \$12,485 once this warrants bills are paid from that account.

Stratton/LaBelle Motion to re-classify \$10,840 payment to Rick Labbe from Roads and
Bridges to the North Pond Road reconstruction.
LaBelle, Stratton, Charles in favor (3-0)

The Board received notice from KVCOG that Morton Salt won the bid for rock salt for winter road maintenance with a bid of \$52.25/ ton.

The purchasing policy drafted by the Board over the last month has been finalized. A copy of the policy and procedures has been emailed to all department heads for distribution among all town employees.

LaBelle, Stratton, Charles in favor (3-0)

LaBelle/Charles Motion to sign a quitclaim deed releasing the Town's interest in Map 29, Lot 130, to Jason Juskewitch.
LaBelle, Stratton, Charles in favor (3-0)

LaBelle/Charles Motion to sign a quitclaim deed releasing the Town's interest in Map 30, Lot 154, to Mike Adams.
LaBelle, Stratton, Charles in favor (3-0)

LaBelle/Charles Motion to sign a quitclaim deed releasing the Town's interest in Map 30, Lot 166, to Mike Adams.
LaBelle, Stratton, Charles in favor (3-0)

A Save the Date was received for a FirstPark open house, scheduled for September 13, from 5-7 pm; food, tours, networking and prizes!

A communication was received from Maine Bureau of Motor Vehicles regarding the Larry DiPietro, Sr. licensing concerns. The municipal attorney has drafted a response letter for the Board of Selectmen to consider issuing.

Stratton/Charles Motion to sign the letter the Maine Bureau of Motor Vehicles regarding Larry DiPietro, Sr. licensing.
LaBelle, Stratton, Charles in favor (3-0)

Stratton/Charles Motion to adjourn.
LaBelle, Stratton, Charles in favor (3-0)

Meeting adjourned at 7:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Abby DiPietro
Assistant to the Selectman