

#### Office of the Selectmen

# TOWN OF ROME, MAINE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING NOVEMBER 21, 2022 – MINUTES

Paul Anderson, 1st Selectmen called meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 6:00 PM. Selectmen, DiPietro and Archer were also present. Also present for all or parts of the meeting were, Dwight Allison, Kim Enos, Ed Pearl, David Roy, Jason Juskewitch, Andrew Marble, Tammy Lyons, and Carolyn Hurley.

## Pledge of Allegiance:

A motion was made by DiPietro to approve the minutes of the November 7th, 2022, meeting and seconded by Archer. Approved 3-0

**Public Comment: None** 

**Department and Committee Reports:** 

**Comprehensive Committee, Paul Anderson:** 

• CPC met on November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Anderson reported the Preliminary Plan should be available by mid-December.

# **CEO/Planning Board, Andy Marble:**

- Marble received complaints of trash/bottle billed up at the property of Michael Burnham, located on 855 Watson Pond Road. Marble will be issuing a letter to the owner to address this issue.
- Marble reported Planning Board members did a site visit located at 7 South Waterside Estates. The assessment from the site visit is that the 2<sup>nd</sup> driveway must be removed.

### **Town Clerk, Barbara Brickett:**

- Brickett spoke on the November 8, 2022, Election. Rome has 980 registered voters and 625 voters cast their ballot. It was a great turn out 63.8%. All Petitions received were signed, verified, and returned.
- Brickett thanked Julie Morrison for all her help during Election time and she also thanked her warden and ballot clerks for their work as well.
- On the TC report, she reported that the Rabies Clinic will be on 12/3/2022.

## **Treasurer and Tax Collector, Tammy Lyons:**

- Lyons asked about the balance of \$1250.00 in the Connect Maine Grant. The Select Board indicated that the Broadband Committee has disbanded.
   Anderson suggested to call Connect Maine Grant and asked if we should return the \$1250.00.
- Lyons asked about the Good Shephard Food Grant of \$14,000.00. Archer said that some of the monies would be spent on a new commercial refrigerator.
   She will continue getting prices.
- Lyons handed out Harris information for the Select Board to review for future discussion.
- Lyons reported RDJ Assessing, requested the Reevaluation and digital mapping quote for 2025. They will not be able to implement till 2026. RDJ Assessing will honor the 2025 quote. The Select Board was fine with that.
- Lyons asked about Article 43, Fire Department Truck Reserve Account, \$166,000.00. Ed Pearl indicated the new fire truck will be received by October 2023. The Select Board would need to make a motion to move funds from taxation to the Fire Department Truck Reserve Account.

A motion was made by Archer to move \$166,000.00 from taxation to the Fire Department Truck Reserve Account. Seconded by DiPietro. Approved 3-0

### Other:

The Select Board opened and documented the bids received for 7 locations.
 The highest bidders were notified and have 30 days to forward an amount equal to their bid to the Town of Rome. Once paid, each bidder will be sent a quick claim deed.

 The Select Board spoke on the existing internet service which can no longer support the usage and therefore, have decided to switch the internet service "only" from TDS to Spectrum. Archer will contact the Spectrum Agent, John Andreu on moving forward.

A motion was made by Anderson to move the internet service "only" from TDS to Spectrum. Seconded by Archer. Approved 3-0

Archer received a quote of \$950.00 to fix the leak in the bathroom roof.
 DiPietro will call for additional quotes to fix the roof.

A motion was made by Archer to adjourn the Selectmen's Meeting at 7:57 pm, seconded by Anderson, approved by all 2-0.

Respectfully yours,
Carolyn Hurley
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Next regularly scheduled Select Board's Meeting will be held on

Monday, December 5, 2022 @ 6:00 PM