



Office of the Selectmen

**TOWN OF ROME, MAINE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
NOVEMBER 7, 2022 – MINUTES**

Paul Anderson, 1st Selectmen called meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 6:00 PM. Selectmen, Anderson and Archer were present. Also present for all or parts of the meeting were, Alice VanDerwerken, Sandy Shute, Joan Orr, Andrew Cook, Bert Lanquet, Bill McKenna, Tim Beals, Anthony Wilson, Lynn Matson, Carol Johnson, Tal Franklin, Larry Garrison, Kevin Gurney, Andrew Marble, Tammy Lyons, and Carolyn Hurley. Absent: Larry DiPietro, Jr., 2nd Selectmen.

Pledge of Allegiance:

A motion was made by Archer to approve the minutes of the October 24th, 2022, meeting and seconded by Anderson. Approved 2-0

Public Comment: None

New Business:

- Anderson read from Waste Management's 10-30-2022 Email
 - a) Waste Handling Fee Increase and Municipal Solid Waste Fee State Increase
- Tim Beals, Executive Director-Delta Ambulance – New Fees
 - a) Beals spoke about Delta's mission, vision and services provided to our community. Rome's call breakdown in 2022, as of the end of October, was 115 calls. He spoke about funding sources and said reimbursement for ambulance services has not kept pace with rising operational cost. While costs have risen, income generated by insurance reimbursement has not. Delta's historic approach to operations is no longer sustainable. Delta's is requesting a

cost per-capita charge of \$15. The new cost to the town would be approximately \$15,465.00. If Rome does not approve this new fee, Delta Ambulance would not be able to service the town. Beals distributed a hard copy of their presentation to the Select Board Members.

- Anderson has requested the Budget Committee to review and advise the Select Board of their recommendation.
- Anthony Wilson, Director of Communications & Operations - Rome's Contribution to 7 Lakes Alliance for 2023 Town Meeting Warrant
 - a) Wilson directed a slide presentation updating the Select Board about 7LA accomplishments, investment for healthier lakes, and future plans. Wilson spoke on additional/potential projects that funds from ARPA may be used if deemed by the Town.

Department and Committee Reports:

CEO/Planning Board, Andy Marble:

- Marble requested the Select Board's authorization to sign Franklin's Consent Agreement for the Replanting Project on Jamaica Point. (Timber Harvest Violation)

A motion was made by Archer authorizing Andy Marble, CEO to sign the Franklin's Consent Agreement pertaining to Replanting Project on Jamaica Point. Seconded by Anderson. Approved 2-0.

Treasurer and Tax Collector, Tammy Lyons:

- Lyons notified the Select Board the State Audit will begin in January 2023. Tammy has requested that the Auditor have the short report done by 2/15/2023.

Other:

A motion was made by Archer to accept a State Forestry Grant reimbursement of \$2,746.27. Seconded by Anderson. Approved 2-0

- **Anderson addressed the “minor” oil leak in the basement last Monday, October 31st, 2022. DEP, Oil Spill/Leak Department was called and arrived at the Town Office. Their determination is that approximately less than 20 gallons leaked out and after investigating of any contamination, they deemed it was safe and no additional cleanup was necessary. We were extremely fortunate said Anderson.**

A motion was made by Archer to adjourn the Selectmen’s Meeting at 7:39 pm, seconded by Anderson, approved by all 2-0.

***Respectfully yours,
Carolyn Hurley
Administrative Assistant
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Next regularly scheduled Select Board’s Meeting will be held on

Monday, November 21, 2022 @ 6:00 PM