

## **7/27/2022 Sorrento Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes**

Attending via Zoom were Select Board Chairman Rob Wilpan, Selectman Jon Mickel, Selectmen Craig Clement, Town Clerk Kathi Moore, Fire Chief Joey Clark, Tom Bailey, Susan Clancy-Dougherty, Dan Dougherty, Diana Gazis, Ann Hoffner, Joanne Holmes and Gina Tansey. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Jon Mickel.

MINUTES: Rob read the 7/06/2022. Rob made a motion to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Jon, unanimous vote, motion passed.

UPDATE ON PIER PROJECT: Jon has yet to see where the ramp makes contact with the pier. Tabled until end of season. As far as the end of the ramp area that needs repair, we will wait until the insurance company makes their inspection recommendations and work off of that.

UPDATE ON KEARSARGE & WAUKEAG VEGETATION REMOVAL: Our project is on Craig's list. Tabled.

UPDATE ON PURCHASE OF LED SIGN AT TOWN OFFICE: Knowles Electric has agreed to provide an estimate in 3 to 4 weeks.

UPDATE ON DOANE'S POINT SIGN POST: Joey said the sign will be put up as soon as possible.

UPDATE ON SPEED BUMPS: Joey reported the speed bumps are all installed.

UPDATE ON RADAR SIGN RETURN: Jon reported we are waiting for return instructions from the vendor and packaging. Kathi added that she received the return instructions but has not had the time to package the unit for shipping, as the original packaging was thrown out. Jon is to look in the CB basement to see if the box from the first sign is stored there.

UPDATE ON PROPOSED HARBOR ORDINANCE AMENDMENT: Rob shared an email he received from Harbormaster Lou Sutherland regarding his proposed Harbor Ordinance Amendment. Jon suggests adding "Without prior approval of the

Harbormaster". Discussion. Jon will send Lou an email asking him to attend the next meeting. Tabled.

UPDATE ON CAPACITY TAG AT COMMUNITY BUILDING: Joey called the Fire Marshall's office, they will be down in the near future to establish the capacity but for now go with 75 seated with tables.

UPDATE ON PLANNING BOARD OPEN MEETING DATE: Tom reported the date is July 21 and Kathi said she has reserved the Sorrento-Sullivan Rec Center for that date.

UPDATE ON LITTLE LIBRARIES/GARDENS: Tabled until Darla Crocker is in attendance.

UPDATE ON FIREHOUSE ROOF: Kathi reported that the ice stops have been completed.

UPDATE ON WATER ISSUE AT NEW SCHOOL: Diana reported that the Water Company met last week and it is clear that they cannot do an immediate fix on their end for water storage for the school. Rob reported that the mutual aid Fire Chiefs will meet tomorrow. Kathi said that the Ellsworth American is reporting that the school will not be ready for occupancy until at least December. Diana said the problem is that they can build the tank they need but the pumps are on backorder, a supply chain issue.

UPDATE ON QUOTES FOR REPAIRING ISSUES AT COMMUNITY BUILDING: Kathi reported that the contractor never returned to do the quote. Rob said he has not approached that contractor again about the back room repairs yet.

UPDATE ON POND STREET/OCEAN AVE SPEEDERS: Jon said he put the radar sign in the area of 22 Pond Street for a week and when he tried to download the data it only downloaded one days' worth so he lost all data but the last day. The top speed for that day was 46 mph coming around the corner. Jon relayed this info to the patrolling officer from HCSO and they will patrol that area more frequently. Jon then placed the radar sign facing the intersection of Ocean and Pond. He recently observed a dark colored bobtail tractor truck flying through the dock area and flew over the speed bumps. The area was congested with a lot of people at

the time. Joey said he has spoken with Scott at the lobster pound and he will discuss this matter during an upcoming driver's meeting. There was a discussion about the speed at which vehicles turn from Pond onto Ocean. Jon said there is no signage, there is an implied stop. Joey said there was a yield sign there but it can be changed. Rob made a motion to place a stop sign at the intersection of Pond & Ocean facing North, seconded by Jon, unanimous vote, motion passed. Also, Jon made a motion to put a stop sign at the North end of Pond Street facing South, seconded by Rob, unanimous vote, motion passed.

UPDATE ON SHARE THE ROAD SIGNS: Joey reported that yes, the Town can put up SHARE THE ROAD signs, at their expense. Jon asked Joey to order two, one for West Shore Road and one for East Side Road and place them within a half mile of town on roads.

UPDATE ON CENTER LINES ON WEST SHORE ROAD: Joey received one estimate for \$6500 and is waiting for another estimate.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Kathi said that she received a call from Stu Marckoon/Lamoine Town office asking if Sorrento has any interest in joining a multi-town Animal Control Officer agreement with Franklin, Gouldsboro, Hancock, Lamoine, Sullivan, Trenton and Winter Harbor. They are still working out the details. Jon said he would like to hear more, Rob said a big factor would be the cost for the Town. Kathi will email Stu for more information.

Jon said he had been contacted by several people about debris piles in the roadway across from dock and sea wall. He made contact with land owner and it turns out there are some mental health issues within the family, this is an ongoing thing, The family will try to curb the behavior and clean up the debris in a timely manner to avoid further problems. All of the piles have been cleaned up.

Joanne Holmes asked Joey if there is any thought of the Town doing any ditching in the near future. Joey said yes, Josh Trundy will start in the next 3 to 4 weeks.

Gina Tansey said when they arrived this summer it appeared that the town had created some more parking spots for the town dock. They sit at the bottom of

their property on Main St, across from the pier. They understand the need for additional parking but they are concerned about the drainage, having moved all the gravel in to create these spots on the side of the road has significantly blocked their drainage ditch. Jon said we have seen drainage problems in that area, partially addressed with a new culvert and diverting the culvert away from the new fishermen floats. Rob asked Joey how widespread are we ditching. Joey said he is starting by Barry Malmrose's and is going around the loop. It will be dug back and dug well; trees, brush and parts of lawn will be missing, but it has to be done.

Rob said he cannot attend the meeting on August 3, so the next meeting will be on August 10.

At 7:45 the Selectmen went into Executive Session with Kathi and Joanne.

At 8:12 the Selectmen returned. There was nothing to report from the Executive Session.

Rob made a motion to adjourn at 8:13, seconded by Jon, unanimous vote, motion passed.

(NOTE: The audio recording after the executive session was discarded by Rob)

Respectfully submitted on 8/9/2022 by Kathi Moore, Town Clerk