

3/03/2021 Sorrento Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes

Attending via Zoom were Rob Wilpan, Craig Clement, Jon Mickel, Kathi Moore, Joey Clark, Diana Gazis, Daniel Dougherty, Lou Sutherland, Tom Bailey and John Singer.

1. Minutes:

Kathi Moore read the minutes from the 2/17/2021 meeting. Rob Wilpan made a motion to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Craig Clement. Unanimous vote.

2. Update on 911 Addressing:

Jon Mickel has started the process by emailing MMA legal and is waiting for a reply.

3. Update on road salt bid:

Joey Clark said a reply via email came in today and it looks like our bid of 100 ton has been accepted.

4. Reports from Officers:

Harbormaster, Lou Sutherland: No Report

Fire Chief, Joey Clark: On Sunday 2/28/21 around 6 pm the fire dept. received a call about a possible fire in the Community Building's furnace room. After inspection by the dept. they found major soot and oily film damage to both levels of the building. On Monday morning ABM Mechanical was on scene to get furnace working and by 3 pm the furnace was up and running. An insurance claim was filed, Penobscot Cleaners, Seacoast Security and Bud Lee Electrician was called. On Tuesday the insurance adjuster arrived as well as Penobscot Cleaners, who has already submitted their estimate to the insurance company. In addition to cleaning, the walls, floors and ceilings need to be sealed and painted. Also 2 carpenters have been called to supply estimates for repairing boiler room to bring it up to code. Seacoast Security arrived on Wednesday, found malfunctions with the keypad upstairs, the heat sensor circuit, and low battery messages with the CM and TO units. All was fixed except the sensor, which will be fixed when repairs to the boiler room are complete. Rob suggested Seacoast install a CO2 alarm at that time as well. The cause appears to have been a plugged nozzle that caused a minor explosion. Joey has requested to have an insurance inspector who deals with boilers take a look.

5. Update on pier lights:

Rob Wilpan reported that Electrician, Donnie Lee, will be disconnecting the light facing the shore and fixing the daylight sensor.

6. New Business:

Jon Mickel reported that John Singer has contacted him about the esthetics of the new fishermen floats and would like to present his idea on how to fix it. John Singer then voiced his concerns that the blue Styrofoam and colors of the pressure treated lumber on the new floats are visible and out of sync with the scenery of the beautiful harbor. He suggested installing gray pvc decking along the sides of the floats to block out the "ugly colors", and also the outmost piling will stand 16' above low tide so that would stick out as well so maybe eliminate it. Lou Southland said the town has a state contract for the new floats and there must be 4 pilings, as stated in the contract. He said these floats were made the same as other floats in the harbor and there have

been no complaints about them and some are pressure treated with no paint. Any changes will not be at the town's expense. Rob said the project is already over budget. John suggested bringing all concerns to the town meeting to discuss, once the summer residents are here and have seen the floats. Jon Mickel said he believes the fishermen will feel the esthetics are a moot point, the floats will only get damaged from wear and tear, they are for commercial use and the expense of pvc decking not be feasible plus the decking will add weight to the floats. Jon suggested to table the issue until after the floats have been installed, awaiting reactions and comments from other residents.

7. Other Business: None

At 7:43 Rob made a motion to adjourn. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Kathi Moore, Town Clerk
3/05/2021