

Town of Sorrento
Board of Selectpersons Minutes
Town Office
8/7/24

Attending. Hilly Crary (chair), Diana Gazis, Rob Wilpan, 5 observe, (11 person, and 5 observers on ZOOM.

Call to order and good news report. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM. The good news was that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) site visit to get background information regarding the January 2024 storms has occurred. The visit was very thorough, spending 6 hours on Ocean Avenue. Tie

Adjustments to the Agenda. A Bulky Trash Update item was added to the agenda and the Hazard Mitigation item was removed.

Approval of Minutes of Regular and Extra Selectboard Meetings. A motion was made by Rob and seconded by Diana to approve the 7/17/24 and 7/24/24 selectboard meeting minutes. This motion was passed unanimously, and the minutes were then signed.

Approval of Disbursement and Payroll Warrants #3. A motion was made by Rob and seconded by Diana to approve Disbursement Warrant #3 and the associated payroll warrants. The motion passed unanimously, and the warrants were signed.

FEMA 1 and 2 updates.

1. Debris disposal site. Our disposal site at the Salt Shed was not approved by Maine's Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to receive the wood chips resulting from the tree removal after the winter storms. We called them, DEP and got temporary registration for this site so that our application to FEMA for reimbursement for storm damage could be filed before the deadline of July 31. We will advertise these wood chips to anyone who wants them and will spread the leftover chips on the grass on town property on Fuller Road.

2. Ocean Avenue site visit. Four officials from FEMA came to look at the storm damage along Ocean Avenue near the Town Green. The visit took 4 hours and the information they gathered, combined with the information from the drone survey of Ocean Avenue, will be used in applications for government funding for storm damage repairs and for mitigation of future storm damage.

Town pier lighting update and harbor floats storage update. A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to have a foundation installed for a new lamp post for the lighting at the walkway to the town pier. Because we can no longer store any of the harbor floats at the

[wings' beach, it was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously that these floats now be stored in the parking lot at the town dock.

Speed sign update. The batteries for the speed sign have arrived, but we need the proper connector in order to be able to connect the computer to the speed sign. The July speed patrols by squad cars from the sheriff's department have been successful and a number of speeding tickets have been issued. It was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously that we continue the patrols through August.

Town Buildings Committee appointments. Dale Strohrnaier and Crosby Noyes have been appointed to the Town Buildings Committee.

Community Building back room update. Office equipment from the Fire Department will be removed from the Community Building back room, in order to make this room free in order to do renovations.

Sewer line repair update. A section of the 100 year old pipe draining Waukeag Avenue has now been replaced. This took longer than expected and will probably cost more than the \$5000 to \$7000 that we approved for payment.

Bar Harbor Bank and Trust proposal. It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously that we make the transition to Bar Harbor Bank and Trust for all town accounts.

Lease of 6 Bay View Avenue. It was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously that the VIA lease to a section of 6 Bay View Avenue be increased from \$2000 to \$2500. The lease with West Cove Boat Yard will be brought to the selectboard to approve after a section concerning the use of town land next to the old fire house has been clarified.

Emergency Medical Service (EMT) coverage. Schoodic EMS says it will no longer answer our calls after 8/31/24. We had 25 calls for service in 22-23 and 22 calls in 23-24. We will talk with Northern Light and Sullivan about EMT coverage.

Welch tree trimming. We need an updated plan, so Rob will ask Teresa Davis for a projected plan, as she made the plan for the Singers next door. The Welches would have to pay for the plan and the work.

Bulky Trash. Bulky Trash pick-up --, on Saturday, August 10, at the Sant Shed on Fuller Road.

Public Comments on Agenda Items. A question was asked as to whether a history of the Community Building was needed before the details of what the new Town Building Committee would be responsible for were decided. This history is not needed, only agreement between the Community Building Committee and the Town Building Committee as to the details.

Meeting adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

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Diana Gatz
Robert Welch

Minutes of Extra Select Board Meeting on August 14, 2024 at the Town Office:

Hilly Crary and Diana Gazis in attendance with 1 observer.

Meeting called to order at 4 pm:

Discussion of the Budget, Bulky trash, Municipal sewer line, WCBY lease.

The only motion made was to adjourn the meeting at 5:04 pm.
Motion 2nded and passed.

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