

**Town of Sumner - Select Board Minutes  
July 25, 2023  
Following Executive Session at 6:00 pm**

The Select Board meeting was called to order at 6 pm.

**Members present:** Mary Ann Haxton, Don Munroe, Shawn Corson, Sherry Sullivan, Laurie Arsenault

**Public present:** Matt Demillo, Don Berry, Lee Berry, Gail Eastman, Sandra Farrar, Pauline Kirschner, Amy Corson, John Guy, Kelly Stewart, Cynthia Norton, Frannie Babb, Susan Runes, Dorothy Hinshaw, Edwin Hinshaw, Bill Savage, Tina Leitzel, Warren Leitzel, Earle Wingate III, Lori Hand, Kristen Chapman, Joel Chapman, Mark Giannelli, Douglas Fournier, Joanne Mauro, Cheryl Savage, Bonnie Bee-shop, Ralph Dunn, Wally Litchfield, Brian Bullecks, Chris Tripp, Staci Wallingford, Jesse Wallingford, Eugene Lucas, Jodi Gosselin,

Kelly Stewart submitted her written resignation to the Select Board prior to the meeting on July 25, 2023. Haxton made a motion that Stewart's resignation be accepted effective immediately. Munroe seconded the motion and voted.

**Motion for Executive Session:**

Haxton moved to go into Executive session at 6:01 pm, pursuant to 1 M.R.S. section 405(6)(E), to consult with the Town Attorney concerning the Board's rights and duties regarding the report of the independent investigator authorized on May 2, 2023, seconded by Munroe, and voted.

Moved out of Executive Session at 6:16 pm with a motion by Haxton, seconded by Munroe and voted.

**Reading of the July 11 and 19, 2023 Minutes; July 11 minutes Approved with a motion from Haxton, seconded by Munroe and voted. July 19<sup>th</sup> minutes Approved with a motion from Munroe, seconded by Haxton and voted.**

**Warrant #**

Checks	<i>Pending</i>
Receipts 1 – 86	\$61,276.42
2022-2023 Tax Collected	\$1,324,093.72
2021-2022 Tax Collected	\$1,299,650.27

**Open Session:**

**RSU #10 Report: Joel Chapman**

Chapman reported that summer recess will be ending, and there will be a meeting at the beginning of August.

**CEO/LPI Report: Fred Collins**

Front Street Site Visit Update  
Arthur Allen Road - Hart

**Roads Report: Shawn Corson**

Corson stated that he has moved back to Black Mountain Road and has added 8 inches of gravel on the top. Will be moving to Fields Hill Road on July 26<sup>th</sup>. Corson will add lower Sumner Hill Road to the agenda.

**ACO Report: Shawn Corson**

Leavitt Summons

Corson reported that he had the Sherriff go to Damon Road with him to give the summons and Leavitt was cooperative. Will still need a summons for Tuell Hill Road.

**Fire Department Report: Doug Fournier**

**Fournier reported that they did some training in South Paris; the new guy is doing Firefighter 1 & 2 training and they have had 10 calls so far this month.**

**Forms, Reports, Correspondence:**

**New Business:**

Select Board Meeting Policy – Rules and Process Change

Zoom Recordings at Select Board Meeting – Trial Basis

Will be audio only and will be converted to file.

Facebook, Website, Mail list Postings

Munroe stated that the website should be first to be worked on. Bill Glass is willing to help with setting up Facebook and creating a group page.

Budget Changes

The legal fees account is \$15,000. Will need to go back to the Budget Committee to discuss increasing the budget line.

Annual Town Meeting Date Changes – Haxton made a motion to move the Town Meeting to September 5, 2023, at 6pm Munroe seconded and voted.

**Old Business:**

CEBE Grant –Haxton made a motion to move forward with Eco heat Efficiency Maine Application, seconded by Munroe and voted.

Solar Ordinance Draft

Draft has been submitted to the Selectboard. Haxton motioned to accept seconded by Munroe and voted. The Selectboard will review and will sign the ordinance, it will then be put on website for public to review.

Volunteer Fire Department Payroll Process have not yet heard from Department of Labor.

**Upcoming events:**

Annual Town Meeting – September 5, 2023

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm with a motion by Haxton, seconded by Munroe and voted.