

TOWN OF SANGERVILLE
SELECT BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Beginning @ 6:00pm
Wednesday, August 21, 2024

Item 1. Open Meeting:

- A. Selectpersons Present: (Chair) Jeff Peters, Josh Tracy, and Mike Gould
- B. Employees Present: Michelle Nichols, Matt Blockler
- C. Public Present: Bryce Howard
- D.

Pledge of Allegiance

If you've got a topic that will take longer, please schedule it with Michelle, so the board has time to look it over.

Item 2. Open Session: Limited to 2 Minutes-Extension per Chair

Bryce Howard had concerns about 18 wheelers going down East Sangerville Rd. Several years ago there was an agreement that there would be a weight limit and time limit for when these trucks could go down the East Sangerville Rd. He's unaware if there was anything in writing or if it was just a verbal agreement between Haley's and the town. L and M has been driving down this road, and the resident has counted several trucks on the road. Chair Peters pointed out that Haley's is no longer Haley's, so an agreement would likely be null and void by this point. They're starting at around 6:30ish and East Sangerville Road is being destroyed. The board needs to do further research regarding this topic to find out road weight limits and the like. Chair Peters suggested contacting commercial enforcement, and contacting Robbie about any past agreements. Josh is going to have a conversation with Rob Haley and John Raymond to see what information he can dig up.

Item 3: Sign the Minutes of Board Meeting

N/A

Item 4. Review of the Treasurer's Warrants:

- A. Payroll: 52 & 53
- B. Accounts Payable:

The board signed the warrants for both payroll and AP. They're saving one for later in the meeting. Vance Lambert has sent in the last bill, which included

roadside cutting. He probably wasn't informed of this, but he cut one side of the Line Road all the way to the Shaw Road on the Dover side. He didn't do anything for the other side of the Line Road. He didn't do Easler Road. Chair Peters asked, if anyone has shown him what he's supposed to be doing. The contract is going to have to be gone over to see what it states. Selectperson Tracy isn't sure if other roads were missed as well. The board is going to hold the check until they figure out what is going on, and do some research on the contract. Michelle has found the book with the rules on the dump. The gate should be closed and locked. Selectperson Tracy will drive Vance around to show him where our town lines are. Michelle is going to check out the bid package to see what was in it.

Item 6: Old Business:

A) N/A

Item 7: New Business:

A) Eagle Technology- to speak about IT Services - Caleb, a representative for Eagle Technology has come to speak to us about their IT services. We have some old computers, and have had some new systems given to us. Caleb has done a proposal on a full cyber security package. MMA has a security assessment for insurance, and there's a check list of things you have to answer yes or no to. If you answer yes to something that is not true then you can be denied insurance. Eagle has support hours of Monday thru Friday - 9 to 5. If we have any issues, we call them to help us take care of it. If they can't help us remotely with, they'll send someone out to help us. Caleb warned about scammers pretending to be IT representatives could try to scam us into giving over confidential information in an effort to "help" us. Eagle can help us get our new systems set up, and a tech would come up to do a full assessment of the network. The assessment, including the set up of the two new computers would cost about \$1,000 and take about 5 hours to set up the system. We're looking at a 3 to 5 year plan for coverage. Caleb informed us that there are robo calls that now call, and AI is used on the other end to take recording of our voices. It only takes three seconds for them to be able to mimic a voice. This means that scammers can make calls using AI, mimicking voices to trick us or residents into some scam. Caleb recommends we change over to the .gov system. Michelle has spoken to

someone regarding that. The board will review the contract with Eagle Technology before signing it. The board thanked Caleb for making the trip to speak to them. Chair Peters made a motion to table this until we know the results of our Special Town Meeting on Saturday, August 24, 2024 and until our next board meeting, which would be August 28, 2024.

- B) Sign Cemetery Deeds - The board signed the cemetery deeds. Michelle brought up that the town is losing money by selling these cemetery lots for the prices they're being sold at.
- C) Josh update on Flanders Hill work and hire someone to put up signs - Our signs were delivered today. Who do we have put the signs up?
Selectperson Tracy said that we have five posts at the old town garage. We also have some old road signs as well. Some of the signs are still in the package. Scott will be working on Flanders Hill Road tomorrow, weather pending. Could we hire Scott to put up the signs? We'll have to look into it. Memory Lane is off of Ames Lane. Knotty Pines Drive is off Burroughs Road. It's almost before the town line. Chair Peters made a motion for Scott to put the new signs up when he does the road work. Selectperson Tracy, 2nd. All in favor.
- D) Recommitment of Taxes and Settlement Certificate - the board signed off on the recommitment of taxes and the settlement certificate. The responsibility passes from Jeff Libby to Michelle Nichols. She's tax collector now.
- E) Abatements & Denials-Sign Abatements - We have one Supplemental to correct a tax bill, incorrectly filed under the wrong name and as an abatement. Multiple abatements. Corinna is looking to go back two more years to get abatements on their property they own in Sangerville.
- Robinson Abatement-Denied
 - Barrett Nuite Abatement-Denied
 - Estes Abatement-Denied-Susan came in to discuss with the board, and also agreed that her property was properly assessed.
 - Dunton Abatement-Denied
 - Gatcomb Abatement-Denied
 - Mayo Abatement- Denied
 - Haskell Abatement-Denied
 - Clukey Abatement-Denied

- Sutton Abatement-Denied
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Item 8: Executive Session for personnel decisions - 1 MRSA 405 § 6-A

Chair Peters made a motion to go into Executive Session for personnel matters -1 MRSA § 405 6-A. Chair Peters made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:46pm. Action taken. The board has decided to accept the resignation of Sammie, the Deputy Town Clerk. Chair Peters made a motion to advertise to replace her, Selectperson Gould, 2nd. All in favor.

Item 9: Town Clerks Report:

- A) Flanders Hill Clean-up Contract - Michelle put this one together, and the board signed it.
- B) Winter Plowing Contract - Michelle rewrote the handwritten contract, and the board signed it.
- C) Committee sign up sheets- sign up sheets for the Road committee, Forestry Committee, Budget Committee, and Parks Committee. People can come into the office to sign up for them.
- D) Brenda Schultz- Supposed to be our website host. Can't get in touch with her.
- E) Mr. Lambert issues on the Grant Road and Silvers Mills Road - Grant Road has some lines that are hanging down from Premium Choice or something. When he went down the road with his equipment, he got tangled up in it. He wanted the town to be aware that the lines are just thrown in the ditch. On the Silvers Mills Road, there's a line from a telephone pole, securing it to the guidewire and it's attached on the roadside. Could get caught.
- F) Line Road Agreement between Sangerville and Dover-Foxcroft -found information- copies in your packets
- G) Butch Lemieux owns the old dump site and he does not want it. He would like to see George Harms paid for the taxes he paid over 30 years. - 7 acres, billed by itself, and in tree growth. 3 lots combined to be put in tree growth. Butch doesn't want it, wants to deed it back to George Harms. Was George ever compensated for the town using his land as a dump? Butch asked Michelle to bring this concern to the board.
- H) We have heard from our lawyer concerning the government land, she would like to have a conference call with the board. - Michelle needs to

give the lawyer some options that would work for the board in doing this conference call. Chair Peters said that 7:30s would work well for him. Selectperson Tracy would do good around that time. Selectperson Gould will follow what works for the other two. Chair Peters suggested getting together on a Wednesday to facilitate that conference call. The board will aim for this Wednesday for a conference call.

- I) Update on Audit - the auditors have sent multiple emails asking for more information. Michelle has sent check registers, audits, deposits, and other documents from TRIO to them. She's hoping to have everything they need to them by tomorrow. They aren't able to give us a date when they will have the audit ready.
- J) Information on Trio Sequel v Trio Web- State wide information - Michelle handed out information to the board to show them the difference between the two types of Trio.
- K) Found a Board and Committee Policy -copies in your packets to review
Dated: September 5, 2018. This has not been on the website.-
Not sure why it's not on the website. This will come in handy, now that we're putting committees together.
- L) Policy on Disbursements Warrants for Employee Wages and Benefits.
Copy of policy in your packets - To prevent the situation we were in this year, where the staff couldn't get paid, and bills couldn't be paid. This policy would allow one board member signature in certain circumstances. We can review it, and if we need to make changes, we can do it at the next meeting. The verbiage came from MMA. This would be a policy update to put in our policy book.
- M) US Army Corps of Engineers from 2019- Copies to review in your packets
- Michelle found information concerning the village cemetery and the stuff going on with the embankment.
- N) Grant for new website to enhance cyber security

Item: 10: Road Commissioners Report: N/A

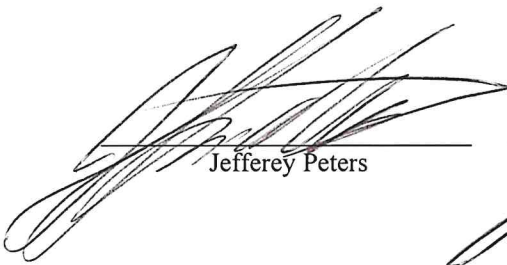
Item 11: Select Board Concerns: N/A

Chair Peters made a motion to adjourn.

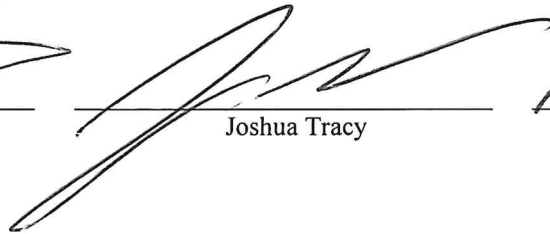
THE NEXT MEETING IS September 8, 2024, at the Fire Station (*Agenda subject to change without notice*)

Respectfully submitted,

Town Manager

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Joshua Tracy

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Michael Gould