**TOWN OF SANGERVILLE**

**SELECT BOARD**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Beginning @ 4:00pm**

**Wednesday, February 21, 2024**

# **Item 1. Open Meeting: Chair called meeting to order at 4:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.**

1. **Selectpersons Present: Mike Wark (Chair), Dale Gray, and Jody Cabot**
2. **Employees Present: Patrick Lewis, Michelle Nichols**
3. **Public Present: None**

**Item 2. Approval of Minutes:**

1. **Special Select Board Meeting: 02/07/2023**

Selectperson Cabot made a motion to approve the minutes, Selectperson Gray, 2nd, all in favor.

**Item 3. Review of the Treasurer’s Warrants:**

**A. Payroll – #10, #11**

**B. Accounts Payable – #12**

Selectperson Gray made a motion to approve a and b as read, Selectperson Cabot 2nd, all in favor.

**Item 4. Open Session: Limited to 2 Minutes – Extension per Chair:**

**Item 5. Old Business:**

1. **Gould Property –** The highest bidder backed out of purchasing the property. Sam did some research and found some legislation that says the property can be awarded to the second highest bidder, who was Jamie Clukey. She can pay this week, and we can get a quit claim deed written up. The select board discussed changing the policy, so that bidders who are interested submit a deposit via a check with the amount they want to bid on it. If they don’t win then check is given back to them, but kept as a nonrefundable deposit if they win the bid. Michelle asked for clarification on how to go about getting a quit claim deed written up. Dale made a comment about going in the negative with this property. Michelle is to check with the lawyer on what the price will be to have a quit claim deed done.
2. **Town Office – Rent –** The new lease for the town office rent increased the rental price by $39.00 due to inflation in utility costs. Patrick will meet him in the morning to sign the new lease.

**Item 6. New Business:**

1. **Property Maintenance Ordinance-** Michelle has been searching for the Property Maintenance Ordinance, but she can’t find the original. She’s found copies, but the lawyer needs a certified original copy. The one that’s on the town website is a copy. You can’t certify a copy of a copy. Michelle has looked in the old town office and the current town office, but we can’t find anything. Michelle we suggested we speak with the town lawyer to how we handle this concerning dates or do we have to do an affidavit?

**Item 7. Town Manager Report:**

1. **Animal Control Officer-** Gary, our animal control officer has had to resign from his position due to medical reasons. The doctor won’t let him return to his position. Joe Guyotte stopped by, and offered his services for $100.00 a month, an hourly rate, and mileage. The town is currently looking for an animal control officer, and will advertise the MMA website.
2. **Petition for Article – Annual Meeting-** The Ad-Hoc committee asked for us to review their petition. Patrick and Michelle reached out to MMA to inquire if they were allowed to help them in any way. MMA said that since it isn’t a board approved committee, MMA is not allowed to assist them. Patrick wanted to make it clear that legally we aren’t allowed to get involved.
3. **Bank Balance-** Michelle has been working on budget stuff, and trying to balance TRIO with the bank account. There seems to be a discrepancy between the two. This has gone on long before she got here. She’s trying to find out where the issue is. It could go all the way back to 2018. Michelle met with someone at Camden National and they spent two hours going over the figures, and neither one could match what the bank has up to TRIO. The board suggested that Michelle should get in touch with TRIO because they think it’s a TRIO issue.
4. **Budget Meeting:** The budget committee meeting has been moved to March 18th, 6pm at the Sangerville fire station. There are three people on the committee, Matt Bell, Leslie Moore, and Rick Cabot.

**Item 8. Road Commissioner Report:**

1. **Roads Posted-** Patrick is going to post McPhetres Road tomorrow, the last road that needs to be posted.

**Item 9. Select Board Concerns:**

**Adjourn.**

Chair Wark a motion to adjourn at 4:28pm, Selectperson Gray, 2nd. All in favor.

**THE NEXT MEETING IS March 6­­­­, 2024, at the Fire Station *(Agenda subject to change without notice)***

Respectfully submitted,

Town Manager

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Michael Wark Dale Gray Joanne Cabot