

**TOWN OF SANGERVILLE  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MEETING AGENDA MINUTES  
Beginning @ 5:00PM  
Wednesday, April 3, 2019**

**Item 1. Open Meeting: (Pledge).** Chairman Mike Wark called meeting to order at 5:03 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

- a. **Selectmen Present:** Mike Wark, Jody Cabot, Dale Gray
- b. **Employees Present:** Lois Jones
- c. **Residents Present:** George Nuite, Ryan Clarke

**Item 2: Approval of Minutes:**

- A. **March 20, 2019.**
- B. **March 27, 2019.**

Selectman Cabot made a motion and Selectman Gray 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the minutes, as written. All in favor.

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

- A. **Payroll #20.**
- B. **Accounts Payable #18, 19, 21.**

Selectman Gray made a motion and Selectman Cabot 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve all warrants. All in favor.

**Item 4. Open Session: Limited to 2 Minutes – Extension per Chairman.** None.

**Item 5: Selectmen Concerns.** None.

**Item 6. Committee Reports.**

A. **Rec Committee** – Town Manager informed Board that the Rec Committee did not receive the New Balance grant for playground equipment. It was mentioned it may be a good time to lock the gate, to prevent damage to the road, because the road is becoming soft and muddy. Maybe put a closed sign on the gate or temporarily install Boston barriers.

**Item 7. New Business:**

- A. **State of Maine property on Route 23. (Welcome sign area).** The State of Maine owns the land where the Town of Sangerville welcome sign is located. They are going to be disposing of that parcel and asked if Sangerville is interested in purchasing it. Board is definitely interested in keeping the sign and area, and are asking the cost. Some further discussion focused on perhaps selling the majority to an abutting landowner and keeping an easement for the sign and sign area only. Manager will contact person at state to inquire about cost of parcel.
- B. **Motor Vehicle Agent.** Selectman Cabot made a motion and Selectman Gray 2<sup>nd</sup> to appoint Dorene Foss as the Motor Vehicle agent, effective immediately. All in favor.

**Item 8. Old Business:**

A. **Ryan Clarke.** Ryan Clarke was in attendance to hear information gathered by Town Manager. Manager had spoken with Tobey Cleaves regarding the process the Cleaves Farms

completed to put their irrigation line under the road. Briefly outlined their process, of twenty or so years ago. Manager had also spoken with Phil Curtis regarding best option and how best to give permission. Mr. Curtis advised that boring would be best option, as it would be less likely to disturb the road and cause heaving, however, running it through a culvert is optimal. If we allow boring, then we would have to sign an easement similar to an electrical/phone line easement, to cover any liability issues. Selectman Gray made a motion and Selectman Cabot 2<sup>nd</sup> to not allow the boring under Flanders Hill Road. All in favor. Mr. Clarke mentioned there is a culvert near his property, but would still need permission to run his irrigation line through the culvert. Chairman Wark made a motion and Selectman Cabot 2<sup>nd</sup> to allow Mr. Clarke to use the nearest culvert in proximity to his property, as a pass-through under the road. All in favor.

**Item 9. Correspondence.**

**A. Anonymous letter.** Manager read a letter received in the mail by an anonymous resident.

**B. Foxcroft Academy.** Foxcroft Academy sent an update on the ice arena. It is expected to be completed in August.

**C. Town Manager resignation.** Town Manager gave resignation, last work day will be Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019.

**D. Selectman Gray.** Selectman Gray had commented that he had received a text message regarding the tax acquired property having a lien against it from DHHS. Manager stated that there is nothing recorded in the Registry of Deeds concerning this document. Will double-check with Town Attorney if there is any concern the Town should have, or pass along, to a possible purchaser.

**Item 10. Request for Additional Agenda Items.** None.

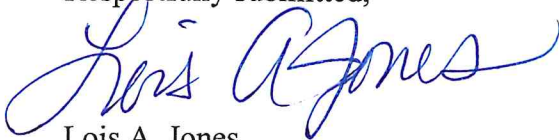
**Item 11. Executive Session.**

**A. 1 MRS 405 (6) A.** Selectman Cabot made a motion and Selectman Gray 2<sup>nd</sup> to go in to executive session at 5:35 pm under 1 MRSA 405 (6) A, personnel. All in favor. Chairman Wark made a motion and Selectman Cabot 2<sup>nd</sup> to come out of executive session at 6:03 pm.

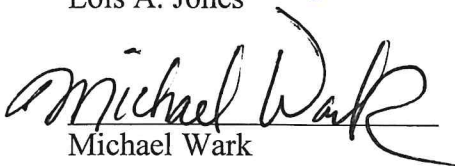
Selectman Cabot made a motion and Selectman Gray 2<sup>nd</sup> to grant to the office staff the Town Manager proposed budgeted raises, effective May 1<sup>st</sup>. All in favor.

**Item 12: Adjourn.** Chairman Wark made a motion and Selectman Cabot 2<sup>nd</sup> to adjourn. All in favor.

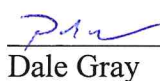
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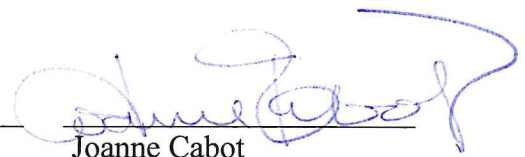
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Michael Wark



Dale Gray



Joanne Cabot

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April 3, 2019

Ryan Clarke  
471 Flanders Hill Road  
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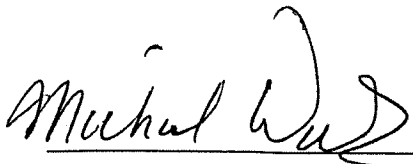
RE: Town of Sangerville Culvert use by landowner

Dear Sir or Madam,

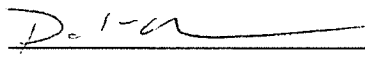
At the April 3, 2019 Board of Selectmen's meeting, the Board for the Town of Sangerville voted unanimously to deny Ryan Clarke boring privileges under the Flanders Hill Road. However, we, the Board, voted unanimously to allow Ryan Clarke the use of the culvert in closest proximity to the west end of property located at 420 Flanders Hill Road.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the Town Office.

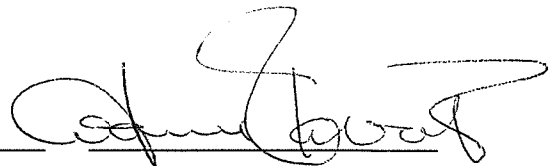
Respectfully,



Michael Wark



Dale Gray



Joanne Cabot

To: Town Manager  
Board of Selectmen  
Residents of Sangerville

It appears that nobody is paying attention. Everyone in town should be concerned about the direction the town is headed.....

Just because things are quiet around town doesn't mean good things are happening. For example: The 10 year span from 2007 to 2017 our mil rate went up approximately 6 points, which in hind site may sound like a lot until you really take a look at things going on in that 10 years. But, now we seem to be steady with a small decrease at a time when everything around us has gone up, like groceries, utilities, school budgets and many other things in our everyday lives.

Would you rather have small and steady increases or be surprised when it jumps unexpectedly and you have already earmarked your income to pay for something else.

What have we lost for a small decrease in the mil rate? We lost our Public Works. You know the department that handled all the things around town that everyone called to complain about while doing a great job at keeping road work projects moving and doing the things that keep the town looking tidy.

What will we lose next? Will it be the Fire Department? Then maybe the Town Office staff? Maybe everyone will be happy going to Guilford, Dexter, Dover, or even Bangor for the same services we used to get in our own town.

In the last 12 years you have had 7 Town Managers (soon to be 8). With every change, the reins get tighter and tighter to the point that the Town Manager now can not do the job they are hired to do.

Do we know who is really calling all the shots? If nobody ever goes to selectman's meetings we don't know what's being discussed or recorded, especially since the posted agendas have almost no information until the meeting. What happened to the transparency? I guess it can be shut off!!

**A concerned resident**

Arnold B. Shorey  
Head of School



FOX CROFT  
ACADEMY

March 18, 2019

Ms. Lois Jones, Town Manager  
Town of Sangerville  
P.O. Box 188  
Sangerville, ME 04479

Dear Ms. Jones,

I am writing to you to update the progress on the Piscataquis County Ice Arena (PCIA). The Director of the PCIA facility reports that there is a great deal happening on the job site.

- One side of the locker rooms has been poured with plumbing in place
- The roof is in place
- Pipes have been laid and covered for the "chillers" for the ice surface
- The second floor has been poured

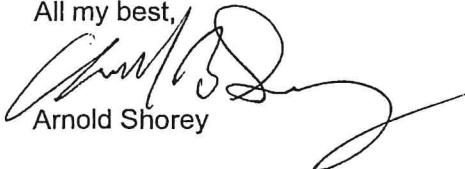
A lot of work is now in progress and the project is still slated to be completed in August. We are excited about having a "first class" ice arena for the region. Our next steps are to create a job description for the Director of Programs and have this person start working with the various groups that will be using PCIA: "Learn to Skate", USA Youth Hockey, curling, etc. Also, a PCIA Advisory Committee will be formed and we are looking to have representation from the surrounding towns as the Piscataquis County Ice Arena is intended for the region to enjoy.

There have been two public meetings to date to provide information about the PCIA and I want to convey to you our willingness (mine and Lucas Butler's) to attend a meeting in your town to present information and answer any questions. Also, if you know of someone in your town who might be interested in serving on the PCIA Advisory Committee to provide input on supporting programs for the region please contact me at (207) 564-8351 or email me at [arnold.shorey@foxcroftacademy.org](mailto:arnold.shorey@foxcroftacademy.org).



The Libra Foundation has provided the county with a great opportunity and as managers of the PCIA we want to maximize the programs that support the interest of the Piscataquis region.

All my best,



Arnold Shorey

C. Jere Michelson, President of the Libra Foundation  
Richard Swett, President of the Foxcroft Academy Board of Trustees

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Board of Selectmen  
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RE: Town Manager Resignation

Dear Board:

First, I want to say thank you to the Board for giving me the opportunity to work with such a great community and its residents. While I will miss working with the citizens and staff of Sangerville, it is time for me to look ahead to my future. Please accept this letter as my resignation as Town Manager for the Town of Sangerville. According to my contract, I must give a 45-day notice. May 18<sup>th</sup> will complete my 45-day notice. However, I plan on taking two weeks vacation, beginning on May 6 to May 17. Therefore, my actual last day of work will be Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Respectfully,



Lois A. Jones



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EVENT Selectmen's Meeting

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Ryan Clarke