TOWN OF OXFORD SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

Minutes - March 17, 2022

PUBLIC HEARING - 5:00 pm

Public Hearing – Welchville Dam – Intent to File Application

Sean Murphy and David Cloutier presented an informational meeting on the Hogan & Whitney Pond outlet grade control project application to be submitted on April 1st, 2022. 25 members of the public were present. Questions were answered at the end of the hearing.

Public Hearing Closed at 5:52 PM.

SELECTMEN'S MEETING AGENDA

Note: Selectmen's meeting to start immediately following the Welchville Dam Public Hearing

1. CALL TO ORDER @ 6:00 PM- Vice-Chair Sharon Jackson presided. Floyd Thayer, Dana Dillingham, Adam Garland, Elizabeth Olsen, and members of the public were present. Scott Hunter and Caldwell Jackson were excused.

2. ACTION ON MINUTES

2.1. Action on minutes dated March 3, 2022.

Motion to accept as written by Dana Dillingham, seconded by Floyd Thayer, and passed unanimously.

3. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Please state your name and the Town that you are from for the record Bill Penfold, Oxford – Brought forward a concern about unregulated Junk Yards in Oxford stating that waste oil, antifreeze, and other environmentally damaging contaminants that are regulated if a Facility is licensed are not being regulated at the undocumented facilities. Is there a solution? Sharon Jackson – Code Enforcement should enforce the Maine Statute that sets the regulations. Bill suggested a more restrictive ordinance. The Code Enforcement Officer is bringing a proposal to the Board in the near future.

Adam Garland stated the CEO could issue a series of warning letters that could lead to a court process to enforce clean-up or licensing.

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

- 5.1. GC Pizza Hut LLC Liquor License Renewal Application

 Motion to approve by Dana Dillingham, seconded by Floyd Thayer. and passed unanimously.
- 5.2. Renewal application for Pawn Broker Pa's Tradin' Co. Inc.

 Motion to approve by Dana Dillingham, seconded by Floyd Thayer. and passed unanimously.

5.3. Tax Foreclosed Property Update/Discussion

Motion by Floyd Thayer to authorize the Tax Collector to return to the owner of record his/her foreclosed property for the next 90 days for payment of 100% of all tax, costs and interest due and to authorize the Town Manager to sign any Quit Claim Deed for those sales. Seconded by Dana Dillingham and passed unanimously.

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PUBLIC HEARING - 6:30pm

Public Hearing - Mass Gathering Permit Oxford Plains Speedway: Opened – no comments – closed.

Public Hearing - Renewal Liquor License Daddy O's: Opened – no comment – closed.

BUSINESS ITEMS – Continued

5.4. Mass Gathering Application – Oxford Plains 250

Motion to approve by Floyd Thayer, seconded by Dana Dillingham, and passed unanimously.

5.5. Mass Gathering Application – Oxford Speedway weekly racing *Motion to approve by Floyd Thayer, seconded by Dana Dillingham, and passed unanimously.*

5.6. Renewal application for Daddy O's Liquor License *Motion to approve by Floyd Thayer, seconded by Dana Dillingham, and passed unanimously.*

5.7. Transfer Station/Recycling Center Fee Review – Ed Knightly

Ed Knightly – No fees are currently charged for stuffed furniture or mattresses/box springs. Residents can also bring up to 4 tires per day for free. The prices for the Town to have these products removed is increasing. Ed suggests adding fees for these items due to the number of goods he has coming into the station.

Dana Dillingham stated the fees were dropped due to the amount of trash being found on the side of the roads. He asked if Highway was still finding trash. The Clerk and Town Manager have heard no complaints and Highway has not brought in any of these items.

Sharon Jackson asked if Ed had a count of the number of items taken in a month. He didn't but would start.

Dana Dillingham reviewed the current expenses to the past years and saw no increase which warranted the need for a fee.

Floyd Thayer suggested the board revisit this at the end of the fiscal year so an expense comparison can be reviewed. The rest of the Board agreed.

6. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT

6.1. Transfer Station/Recycling Center Department Head Update – Ed Knightly

Ed Knightly has completed the State Recycling Report and the Recycle is at 67%. The State asks that municipalities be at 50%.

There was a break in to the Recycle Building on Feb. 6th with vandalism and a pair of gloves missing. Ed has recommended the purchase of a new loader this year, again. The old one is in its last hours. The Trash Trailer has been repaired by the company that damaged it when hauling.

7. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

The Budget season is going smoothly, the next meeting will be on March 24, 2022. The proposed budget is available on the website with videos coming soon.

8. SELECTMEN ITEMS – None

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9. SIGN WARRANTS – 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109
Motion to sign by Dana Dillingham, seconded by Floyd Thayer. and passed unanimously.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 6:41PM by Floyd Thayer, seconded by Dana Dillingham, and passed unanimously.