**6:00 PM**

**Public Hearing – Walmart TIF**

**Mike Brown of King St. Oxford asked if there was a specific business taking the land that is being added to the TIF. Butch Asselin explained that the 18 ½ acres is a business park added to draw businesses to the town.**

**Lois Pike of Oxford asked how much land was in TIF. Butch replied 624 acres which was not even ½ of the TIF acreage allowed.**

**Public hearing closed at 6:02 PM.**

**July 2nd, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER at 6:03PM –Chairman Scott Hunter presided. Samantha Hewey, Caldwell Jackson, Dana Dillingham, Sharon Jackson, Butch Asselin, Elizabeth Olsen were present along with members of the public using Microsoft Teams virtual meeting.**

1. **ACTION ON MINUTES**
   1. ***Action on minutes dated June 18th, 2020.***

*Motion to approve by Caldwell Jackson and seconded by Dana Dillingham. Passed 5-0.*

1. **ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA –**
2. **To sign the amended agreement between the MPERS and Town of Oxford.**
3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS – Please state your name and Town that you are from for the record.**

Claudette Pierce of King Street Oxford: Submitted letter concerning speeding on King Street. She has been threatened when asking cars to slow. She appreciates the officers, however it is unsafe and more needs to be done.

Mike Brown – Speeding is an emotional subject for the residents of this neighborhood. Can we monitor the speeds? Chief Ward is putting together a speed sign to do just that in the next few weeks.

Sharon Jackson suggested adding a speed limit sign to the opposite side of the street.

Samantha Hewey stated that speeding was a problem everywhere.

The public also commented that the sidewalk on King Street was rough and in bad need of repair causing those who are walking to use the road instead of the sidewalk.

Janette Smith stated she was frightened to cross the road.

1. **OLD BUSINESS** 
   1. **Discussion and decision on dangerous building at 260 King Street.**

Neighbor Claudette Pierce stated the building is in worse condition presently then when it had been deemed a dangerous building.

Janette Smith stated the amount of trash and the condition of the building was attracting racoons and rats which in turn are making their way to the neighbors.

CEO Joelle Corey-Whitman: In 2014 a dangerous building order was filed at the Registry of Deeds. All hearings were completed. The order gave the owner 60 days to clean up or it would be destroyed. She needs authority from the board to move forward. The attorney has recommended notifying the owner and including all documentation. There is no statute of limitations on the order.

*Caldwell Jackson motioned to go forward to enforce the order. Seconded by Samantha Hewey. Passed 5-0.*

* 1. **Discussion on Thompson Lake Dam meeting between abutting lakeside towns.**

Butch sent a letter to schedule a meeting and has heard back from Poland who is willing to meet in August or September and Otisfield who is willing to meet in July.

There seems to be information about the funding of the project that is incorrect. The intent is to take funds from the current reserve account with any overage coming out of fund balance.

*Caldwell Jackson motioned to transfer $220,000 from fund balance to 85-01-85-56 Capital reserve account for Thompson Lake Dam. Seconded by Sharon Jackson and passed 5-0.*

Butch has scheduled the meeting for the Thompson Lake Dam Advisory Committee to be held July 16th, 2020 at 2 PM. Butch had stepped down as chair of the Thompson Lake Dam Advisory Committee.

Discussion was had about who was supposed to sit on the committee, when it was formed and why and what was to be done going forward.

Sharon Jackson though that this committee was formed in 2010 to advise the Board of Selectmen with 2 members from each of the towns of Oxford, Poland, Casco and Otisfield. Oxford’s Town Manager was to chair the committee.

Due to need of clarification a motion was made:

*Motion by Sharon Jackson to have the Oxford Thompson Lake Dam Advisory Committee, formed by the Oxford Board of Selectmen, consist of 1 selectman or the town manager and one resident from each of the towns of Oxford, Poland, Casco and Otisfield. The Chairman of the Committee shall be the Oxford Town Manager who shall only vote to break a tie. All Towns need to contribute at a minimum to serve on the committee. (Amount to be determined and set by the Oxford Board of Selectmen.) Seconded by Samantha Hewey and passed 5-0.*

1. **NEW BUSINESS**
   1. **To accept the bid on the General Obligation Bond to fund road improvements from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at an interest rate of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with a total interest cost of $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

TD Bank – Interest Rate 1.33 – Total Interest Cost $91,581.22

Androscoggin Bank – Interest Rate 2.09 – Total Interest Cost $141,747.30

Northeast Bank – Interest Rate 2.51 – Total Interest Cost $170,403.90

Butch explained that the TD Bank Bid had several conditions including not locking in the interest rate for 30 days and penalties for early pay off.

*Dana Dillingham motioned to accept the bid from TD Bank not to exceed 1.33 on July 9th, 2020. IF the rate does exceed the 1.33 motion to accept the bid from Androscoggin Bank for 2.09. Seconded by Samantha Hewey and passed 5-0.*

* 1. **To amend Article 15 to read:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $~~1,486,269~~ $1,080,584 for the Long-Term Debt, TIF Debt, Interest, Filing Costs Accounts.

Contingent on acceptance of TD Bank bid on General Obligation Bond. This brings the overall budget to 0.1% decrease as compared to the 2019/2020 budget.

*Motion by Samantha Hewey to amend Article 15 to read: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum not to exceed $~~1,486,269~~ $1,080,584 for the Long-Term Debt, TIF Debt, Interest, Filing Costs Accounts. Seconded by Dana Dillingham and passed 5-0.*

* 1. **To approve a supplemental tax bill for account 3081 in the amount of $130.50.**

This 1972 mobile home was moved into the Park without a building permit. The CEO is waiting to issue a building permit to the current owner until the building passes a required electrical inspection on an older mobile home.

*Motion to approve by Sharon Jackson and seconded by Samantha Hewey. Passed 5-0*

* 1. **To accept from Susan Milligan her resignation from the Oxford Recreation Committee.**

*Motion to accept by Dana Dillingham and seconded by Sharon Jackson. Passed 5-0.*

* 1. **To reappoint Denise Landsperg to the Planning Board.**

*Motion to appoint by Dana Dillingham and seconded by Samantha Hewey. Passed 5-0.*

* 1. **To approve the Request to transfer from 85-01-85-11 Fuel Reserve to Account 80-02-10-05 KOW Fuel Oil for the amount of $539.14.**

*Motion to approve by Samantha Hewey and seconded by Sharon Jackson. Passed 5-0.*

* 1. **To authorize the Town Manager to sign the proposal for construction oversight of the Thompson Lake Dam Rehabilitation Project.**

*Motion to authorize by Caldwell Jackson and seconded by Sharon Jackson. Passed 5-0.*

* 1. **Discussion and decision on the formation of a Historic Preservation Committee.**

*Motion by Caldwell Jackson to form the Oxford Historic Preservation Committee and appoint Patricia Hess, Patricia Larrivee, John Crumpton, Henry Jackson, Heather Langelier and Kathleen Dillingham to the committee. Seconded by Samantha Hewey. Passed 5-0.*

* 1. **To appoint Patricia Larrivee to the Historic Preservation Committee.**
  2. **To appoint John Crumpton to the Historic Preservation Committee.**
  3. **To appoint Henry Jackson to the Historic Preservation Committee.**
  4. **To appoint Heather Langelier to the Historic Preservation Committee.**
  5. **To appoint Kathleen Dillingham to the Historic Preservation Committee.**
  6. **To sign the amended agreement between the MPERS and Town of Oxford.**

*Motion made to sign the amended agreement by Caldwell Jackson and seconded by Samantha Hewey. Passed 5-0.*

1. **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT**

Mike Ward – SRO Position – Waiting for Rick Colpitts. Sharon Jackson spoke in support of having the position.

1. **TOWN MANAGER’S REPORT**

* Town office closed July 3rd , 2020 for Independence Day.
* All departments came in under budget with the exception on Administration and the Public Safety Building. Total estimated is $248,375.

1. **SELECTMEN ITEMS**

**Dana Dillingham –** Have official names ever been given to the dams? Always been called Thompson Lake Dam and Welchville Dam.

**Samantha Hewey –** Received a call asking the Town of Oxford to consider making it mandatory to wear face coverings in public.

Butch stated that the Town meeting will be asking that everyone wear masks.

**Sharon Jackson -** Asked that when the Transfer Station is closing for a holiday that it gets posted on the sign at the end of the road a week prior to closing.

1. **SIGN WARRANTS – 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 1, 2**

*Motion to sign the warrants by Samantha Hewey and seconded by Sharon Jackson. Passed 5-0.*

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion to adjourn by Caldwell Jackson at 8:11 PM and seconded by Samantha Hewey. Passed 5-0.*