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## **SELECTBOARD MINUTES**

**Date: August 7, 2018**      **Time: 11:00 AM**      **Place: Municipal Building**      **Rev.0**

Present: Selectboard Members: Jan Gaudio, Walter Reitz and Cheryl Waterman  
Others: Town Administrator Terri Baines, John Spear, Assessor's Agent Kevin McCormick and Tom Brannan.

Note: A listing as present does not denote attendance for the entire meeting.

### **I. Call to Order**

Reitz called the meeting to order at 11:00 am.

### **II. Adjustments to the Agenda**

Gilford Butler School was moved to A. under IV. New Business

### **III. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda**

There was no public comment.

### **IV. New Business**

#### **A. Gilford Butler School**

At the August 2<sup>nd</sup> School Board meeting the RSU#13 School Board voted to authorize the Superintendent to transfer ownership of former Gilford Butler School property to the Town of South Thomaston. The offer will be held open until October 5, 2018. There will need to be a special Town Meeting for the Town to vote to accept or reject Gilford Butler School. The Gilford Butler Futures Committee is holding a public hearing on September 26<sup>th</sup> for public input.

So far a deed recording the transfer of Gilford Butler from The School Authority to Sad #5 hasn't been located. There is a deed from Sad #5 to



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RSU #13. This issue needs to be resolved. John Spear is looking into this.

**B. Execute Certificate of Commitment and Other Related 2018 Tax Documents**

McCormick presented the Board with 5 tax rate calculation forms. The mil rates ranged from .01348 to .01352. There was a discussion on uses of overlay. The Board and McCormick discussed using surplus and what amount the Board would like for overlay. The Board asked McCormick to run another tax rate option using money out of surplus. The Board decided to use \$20,000 from surplus which gives the Town a mil rate of .01343, a .00025 increase. On a \$100000 assessment the tax bill will go from \$1318 to \$1343, an increase of \$ 25.

**Gaudio moved and Waterman seconded a motion to apply \$20,000 from surplus to other revenues resulting in a mil rate of .01343.**

**Motion passed 3-0.**

**C. Snow Plow Contract**

**Waterman moved and Gaudio seconded a motion to accept the DOT Snow and Ice Agreement.**

**Motion passed 3-0.**

**Gaudio moved and Waterman seconded a motion the Chair be authorized to sign the DOT Snow and Ice Agreement.**

**Motion passed 3-0.**

The Board discussed the amendments to Kalloch's plow contract. The Board ask Baines to invite Kalloch to the August 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.



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#### **D. Update on Town Landing**

Gaudio has not heard from Gartley & Dorskey.

#### **E. Discussion on Noise and Odor Complaint on Spruce Head Island**

The complaints covered noise (bait trucks, forklifts, fisherman's trucks, refrigeration trucks) and odor from bait.

The Board discussed that it's a working waterfront and what the Board could do to address the issue.

While the noise from various sources is known the fact is that the noise is the result of a working waterfront. The board has no authority to take action on this subject. Reitz will contact the management of the three buying stations (Atwood's, Spruce Head Co-op and McLoon's) and see if there is anything they can voluntarily do to help the situation.

#### **V. Adjournment**

**Reitz moved and Gaudio seconded a motion to adjourn at 12:35 pm**

**Motion passed 3-0.**

Selectboard approved 8/14/2018