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John Spear  
Jeff Northgraves  
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Selectboard Minutes  
Date: October 10, 2023, 6:00 PM at the Municipal Building  
**Items Are Often Taken Out of Order to Accommodate Schedules**

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

**South Thomaston Selectboard Present:** John Spear, Sue Snow

**Others Present:** Terri-Lynn Baines, Pennie Alley, Denise Rzeznikiewicz, Maureen Spencer, Sondra Wallace

**Via Zoom:** Walter Reitz, Sally Merchant

**I. Call to Order**

Spear called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

Spear led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. Adjustments to Agenda**

There were no adjustments to the agenda.

**IV. Review and Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes (September 26th)**

*Snow moved and Spear seconded a motion to approve the minutes of September 26<sup>th</sup>.*

**Motion passed 2-0.**

**V. Old Business**

**a. Discussion on Ambulance Write offs**

Baines explained that after Comstar stops sending bills to ambulance patients she has sent letters requesting payment, along with the Town hardship form which if signed and returned could qualify the account to be written off. Baines has sent three letters along with the hardship form, only three patients have responded. Baines would like to know how many letters to send before proposing the accounts be written off.

*Snow moved and Spear seconded a motion to table a discussion on the ambulance write-offs to next meeting.*

Several questions were asked regarding the accounts that are delinquent. Baines will provide the answers for the next meeting.

**Motion passed 2-0.**

**b. Approve FYI 2022-23 Audit**

*Snow moved and Spear seconded a motion to approve the 2022-23 audit.*

**VI. Motion passed 2-0.  
New Business**

**a. Conversation with Sheriff Patrick Polky**

*Snow moved Spear seconded a motion to table the conversation with Sheriff Patrick Polky to next meeting.*

**Motion passed 2-0.**

**b. Discussion on How to Enforce Prohibiting ATVs on Recently Purchased Properties**

*Snow moved and Spear seconded a motion to table the discussion on how to enforce prohibiting ATV's on recently purchased properties.*

The Town has no choice but to enforce prohibiting ATVs on the Smith property. When placing this on the next agenda the wording will be changed to include all the Town properties to the rear of the stump dump.

**Motion passed 2-0.**

**c. Request from Librarian to spend money from the library donation account**

Alley requested she be able to spend \$400 from the library donation fund to purchase salt for the softener system at the Gilford Butler Center and would also like to purchase a commercial dehumidifier for \$750.

At the next meeting, when Jeff is in attendance she would like to discuss raising the limit of the amount in the purchasing policy that can be spent before Selectboard approval is needed. The amount that can currently be spent before Selectboard approval is \$200.

*Snow moved and Spear seconded a motion to approve \$400 to be spent on salt for the water system at the Gilford Butler Center.*

**Motion passed 3-0.**

*Snow moved and Spear seconded a motion to approve up to \$750 for a commercial dehumidifier.*

There was a brief discussion on whether there was anything else needed to hook up the dehumidifier.

**Motion passed 3-0.**

**d. Discussion with Librarian/Community Center Director regarding directors' nominees to the 501c3 Board of Directors**

*Snow moved and Spear seconded a motion to table the discussion with Librarian/Community Center Director regarding the Directors' nominees to the 501c3 Board of Directors.*

**Motion passed 2-0.**

**e. Discussion on an Employee Evaluation Process**

*Snow moved and Snow seconded a motion to table the discussion on an employee evaluation process.*

**Motion passed 2-0.**

**f. Monthly Reports**

The Selectboard reviewed the monthly reports.

**VII. Correspondence**

There was no correspondence.

**VIII. Warrants Review and Approval**

The Selectboard approved the warrants.

**IX. Schedule Future Meetings**

The October 24<sup>th</sup> meeting will be rescheduled to either Oct 30<sup>th</sup> or Nov 1<sup>st</sup>.

**X. Public Comment for Items not on the Agenda**

Alley let the Selectboard know she received the \$2000 check from the Coastal Maine Regional Broadband Grant.

Alley received a \$100 donation to the library from Barabara and John Naeger.

*Snow moved and Spear seconded a motion to accept a \$100 donation from Barbara and John Naeger for the library.*

**Motion passed 2-0.**

Spear announced the Town received a Community Resilience Partnership Community Action Grant for a solar project.

**XI. Adjourn**

With no objections the Selectboard adjourned at 6:22 pm.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Selectboard approved October 30, 2023