

**Select board Meeting Minutes
Nobleboro Town Office Meeting Room
March 15, 2023 @ 5:00 pm**

Select Board members present: Dick Spear, Jon Chadwick, and Richard Powell. Staff present: Michelle Cameron - Administrative Assistant to the Select Board and Stan Waltz - Code Enforcement Officer. Also present: Steve Plumb - resident, Jim Brinkler, Laurel Ames, and Nate House - Fish Ladder Committee, Ken York – Ken York, Inc.
Minutes transcribed by Michelle Cameron

OPEN MEETING: Spear opened the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

MINUTES: Approve 3/1/23 meeting minutes: **On motion Powell/Chadwick moved to approve the March 1 meeting minutes. Vote 3-0**

SCHOOL & TOWN WARRANTS:

1. Town AP Warrant #25: \$63,108.11
2. Town Payroll Warrant #23: \$12,890.16
3. School AP Warrants #24: \$207,828.20
4. School Payroll Warrant #22: \$55,617.53

On motion Powell/Chadwick moved to approve all warrants as listed. Vote 3-0

SIGN WARRANTS: 18-21

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Nate House: Nobleboro Broadband Committee update:** House stated that the Committee is still waiting to hear about the Connect Maine grant. House asked Spear if he would continue to be the liaison between the Broadband Committee and the Select Board. Spear agreed.
2. **Announcement of town report dedication:** Spear announced on behalf of the Select Board that the annual town report was dedicated to Steve Plumb this year. The Board thanked Plumb for his service to the town and presented him with a town report.
3. **Mowing RFP:** Chadwick will review snowplowing and mowing RFPs and have them ready for the next Select Board meeting. Discussion ensued regarding what should be included in the snowplow contract. Also discussed was the upcoming hot top RFP. Chadwick will talk to the Road Commissioner and work on that bid request as well.
4. **First National Bank Wealth Management review of account: On motion Powell/Chadwick moved to approve the review of account document and to allow First National Bank Wealth Management to handle the town trust accounts. Vote 3-0**
5. **Assessors' Return: County tax commitment:** The Select Board signed the County tax commitment document. Spear directed Cameron to hold the invoice until the first of September.

6. **313 W. Neck Rd: Property Condemnation: Stan Waltz, CEO:** Waltz explained the building located at 313 West Neck road is a bio hazard and the condition of it falls under state statutes for health hazards. Waltz has condemned the property and posted a notice on the door. Waltz requested the Board to vote in support of the condemnation of the building and that if someone needs to go inside the building, they will need to contact him before entering. **On motion Powell/Chadwick moved to approve the condemnation of the building located at 313 West Neck Road and anyone entering said building would need to contact Stanley Waltz before they do so. Vote 3-0**

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

1. **Notice of Conditional Contract Award: DEP Stream Crossing Project:** Powell stated that the town has been awarded a conditional contract of \$150,000. The Engineers suggest waiting until next spring to move forward with the project. The Select Board agreed that is wise to wait.

OTHER BUSINESS: Discussion ensued about the school budget figures in article 29 of the annual town meeting warrant. Spear stated that the AOS93 office will have the amended fund balance forward figure and additional local raise figure to Cameron soon.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Damariscotta Mills Pedestrian Bridge: Laurel Ames:** Spear opened bids for repair of the Fish Ladder pedestrian bridge. The two submitted bids were:

- John Copeland of Kennebec Trail Co. The bid amount was, \$59,510.17 which includes all materials and upper deck.
- Ken York, Inc. Bid amount was \$72,500 and includes all specs.

The Select Board will have a workshop next Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. in the town meeting room. The Fish Ladder Committee and Newcastle Select Board will be invited.

ADJOURNMENT: On motion Spear/Chadwick moved to adjourn at 5:45 p.m.