



**Town of Cornish, Maine**  
**SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, July 10, 2024 @5:00**



- Selectboard Member – Chair - Jessica Larson called the meeting to order @ 5:03 P.M.
- Roll Call – Chair - Jessica Larson, Dan Sherman, David Pike, Monique Guptill, Dee Hartford, M. Angel Eastman per-diem Secretary, were present.
- All Payroll and Accounts payable warrants were reviewed and approved by all Selectboard Members.
- Minutes from June 12, 2024, were approved by all Selectboard Members.

**TOPICS DISCUSSED:**

- **ARFS:**
  - Old High and Anderson Drive.
    - Ann Nelligan and Beth Phelps
    - Jessica Larson (Selectboard) will follow up with Bob Sturgeon.
  - Diann Perkins (Chair of the Cornish Fairgrounds Advisory Board).
    - The gate paddle lock between the Fairgrounds Pub and the Cornish Racetrack was cut by bolt cutters.
      - The Fairgrounds Pub would like it left unlocked.
      - The Town of Cornish does not own the fencing or gate on the Pub side.
      - No lock shall be placed on the gate.
      - For events on the Cornish Fairground's Racetrack the Chair of the Cornish Advisory Board needs to ask permission from the Pub to paddle lock the gate.
      - Refer to the Conditional Use Permit.
    - The Cornish Fairgrounds Wheels & Meals on July 2, 2024, was fantastic.
      - August 6,20, 2024, and maybe September is in the works.
  - Cliff Whitney
    - Would like the trees to be removed from the Mill Pond before this affects the river flow.
      - Trees that had come done during the April storm have been removed (David Pike and Bob Sturgeon).
      - The Selectboard will see if other trees can be removed.
  - M. Angel Eastman
    - Little River flows into the Mill Pond.
    - The water flow is being obstructed by a rock wall completely across the river.
    - This has been done by The Mains family which they were spoken to before about the obstruction they have built.
    - Jessica Larson (Chair Selectboard) will speak to the CEO (Dan Vaillancourt).
- Meeting with Assessor:
  - Robert Konczal and Hannah Hutchinson.
    - Letters correction.
      - P needed to be out in front of please.
  - There was a long discussion on what was involved in how the mil rate is processed.
    - Mil rate 9.30 for the year 2023-2024.
    - The new assessment is included in the Mil rate.
    - If the Towns people have any questions defer them to the Assessor via email.
    - All selectboard members approved.
- **Use of Town Properties:**
  - Elaine Mason
    - Would like to have a wedding/reception on 10/05/24 in the Pike Hall.
    - All requirements must be meet.

- All Selectboard members have approved.
  - Electronic waste
    - September 14, 2024
    - All Selectboard members approved.
- Pedestrian Flashing light Signs.
  - Shall be placed in the vicinity of Thompson Park.
  - Jessica Larson will contact MDOT for placement.
  - All Selectboard members approved
- **Unfinished Business:**
  - Eagle Eye Display Station - **Tabled**
  - Tri -Town disposal Contract – **Tabled**
  - Casella Tipping contract expires June of 2025. - **Tabled**
  - Back street – **Tabled**
  - Place of Historical Signs – **Tabled**
  - Late Mail –
    - The mail is either late or not showing up for days.
    - Jessica Larson will write a letter to the Cornish Postmaster regarding this matter.
  - Cornish emergency Disaster Plan
    - Nancy will be getting in contact with Monique Guptill.
  - Permit fees – **Tabled**
  - Fire truck – **Tabled**
  - Maine Bond.
    - Documents are all together. Selectboard will review the application.
    - The application will be sent to Toni Reed for review before final submission.
  - Placement of Flagpole update.
    - Has been completed.
    - There will be no removal of the spruce tree.
    - Looking into the future there might be a park and use the spruce tree for Christmas lighting.
    - All Selectboard members approved.
  - FEMA Report – April 4-7
    - Meeting on July 15, 2024@ 3:00 pm.
  - Cornish Fairgrounds Grandstand - update.
    - Brent Nelson is working on the repairs that needed to be done.
    - Evan Colby is doing the electrical.
    - Fire Marshall on July 17, 2024 @10 am
  - Memorial Day thank you letter had the wrong address.
    - Been re-address and sent.
  - Speed limit signs on the High Road are being reviewed by Jessica Larson.
  - Cornish Emergency Disaster Plan.
    - Meeting on 7/23/24 @ 10 am.
  - Eagle Park
    - Contract with the Town of Cornish and Pratts and Sons have been signed.
  - Mowing Contract – Dana Batchelder
    - All mowing and weed whacking shall be done at the same time on Cornish Town property.
    - Approved by all members of the Selectboard.
  - HECTor Tower Project – Hessian Hill
    - Will talk to James Seymour about his estimate.
    - Can not go outside the billing contract they already have with the State of Maine grant.
    - Jessica Larson will follow up.
- **New Business:**
  - LRAP

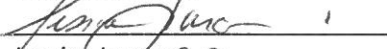
- Forms have been sent to Jean for review.
- Response received from Jean and the E-Document sent up to State for reimbursement.
- Abatements
  - R08-023
  - Value was incorrect in 2023.
  - This abatement fulfills the original.
  - All Selectboard members approved.
- **Public Comments:**
  - Diann Perkins
    - The sidewalk on Bridge Street needs to be repaired.

**ADJOURNED: 7:30 P.M.**

Approved by Selectboard:



Daniel Sherman



Jessica Larson



David Pike

