

**TOWN OF LINCOLNVILLE
SELECT BOARD MEETING
May 8, 2023**

Present: Chair, Ladleah Dunn, Vice-Chair, Keryn Laite, Jr., Josh Gerritsen, and Town Administrator, David Kinney

Via Zoom: Mike Ray & Steve Hand

The quote was read by Ray.

1. **Citizens' Forum:**

There were none.

2. **Administrator's Report:**

David Kinney, the Town Administrator, noted:

- **Ballots:** Absentee Ballots are now available for the June 13th election; please stop by the Town Office or call during regular business hours. All absentee ballots are due back by 8 PM on June 13th.
- **Lincolnvile Sewer District:** Kinney communicated the Select Board's thanks and sent the documents that the Sewer District Trustees had asked for. They have since responded explaining that they would like to schedule a joint executive session to discuss the acquisition of the land adjacent to the Ferry Terminal.
- **Storm Damage:** Last week at this time, there was at least 6 inches of rain, which caused damage around town. Most everything now has been repaired, except for a portion of Martin Corner Road, which was closed to winter maintenance.

The Town has temporarily blocked the road and will need to explore what options are available, in the meantime, please do not try to drive through this area.

- **Paving:** At the end of last week, Kinney met with the paving contractor and he would expect them to begin before the month is out.
- **Breezemere Park & Beach Parking:** Kinney reported there will be times that the Town will need to close these locations, for a day or so, to do some improvements.
- **Young's Construction:** The Town of Lincolnvile extended an extra special thanks to Young's Construction for their work putting things back together after the rain storm.

3. **Meetings & Announcements:**

Administrator Kinney read the meetings and announcements.

4. **Upcoming Community Events:**

There were none.

5. **Meeting Minutes – April 24, 2023:**

Laite made a motion, seconded by Gerritsen that the Board approves the April 24, 2023, meeting minutes as presented. Vote: Laite – Yes, Gerritsen – Yes, Ray – Yes, Hand – Yes, Dunn – Yes.

6. **Wayne Pendleton – Assistance with Fire Damage Structure:**

Wayne Pendleton, owner of the property at 551 Hope Road, had a structure fire on February 4, 2023, which destroyed the home that his daughter Chrissy Pendleton and her family lived in at the time of the fire.

Mr. Pendleton came before the Select Board seeking help from the Town with cleaning up the debris and at this time, he told the Board there is nothing he can do and he needed help.

Chrissy Pendleton explained they have had a lot of family and friends that have come together to help the family, but the big issue now is the fees to dump the debris to take care of cleaning up the property.

Ms. Pendleton stated, “The fees are tremendous and I’m not sure how we’re going to do it and if there is any help that the Town could give us as far as the fees to dispose of the debris. I want to make it look nice; I don’t want it to look the way it does.”

Lyndon Pendleton, a family member, explained they have a gentleman who is willing to haul trash to the Mid-Coast Solid Waste Corporation if he can obtain a waiver for the fees.

Chair Dunn asked Laite & Gerritsen, who serve on the Mid-Coast Solid Waste Corporation Board of Directors if they know whether or not the Mid-Coast Solid Waste Corporation has the authority to waive these types of fees.

Laite explained that in his experience, he has never had anyone come before them seeking that these fees be waived. He explained that the Mid-Coast Solid Waste Corporations work with Towns but it would be up to the individual town to help financially.

Laite recommended, as a member of the Mid-Coast Solid Waste Corporation Board of Directors, that the Select Board consider what the Town of Lincolnville can do to help assist with the fees.

Gerritsen asked the Pendletons if they had a sense of how much the fees would be in total.

The Pendletons were not sure of the total cost, at this time.

Ray asked if the Town of Lincolnville could use General Assistance funds to pay for the cleanup fees.

Chair Dunn, explained that unfortunately, the Town of Lincolnville could not use General Assistance Funds since this is not the taxpayer's primary residence.

Chair Dunn suggested that Chrissy Pendleton, who was directly impacted by the fire, meet with the Finance Director and the Town Administrator, to narrow down the ask to help and possibly find a creative solution.

Kinney suggested that Ms. Pendleton call him at the office tomorrow to discuss a time that would work for them both.

The Pendleton's thanked the Select Board for their time and consideration.

7. **Heart & Soul Team Update:**

Susan Silverio, Chair of the Heart & Soul Committee, gave the Board an update on the following progress made by the Heart & Soul Team:

Phase 1 – Laying the Groundwork

July/September/October/November/December – Monthly Team Meetings with Cat – Community Network Analysis, identifying all the groups we need to reach.

2023:

January/February/April – Monthly Team Meetings with Cat – Volunteers for sub-teams for stories, data

February 5 – Public Launch at LCS – Imagine – 80 attendees:

Phase 2 – Exploring our Community (Connect) March – October 2023

Q. What do you appreciate about Lincolnville? What do you wish for the future of Lincolnville?

All data entered into a spreadsheet

LCS Librarian Loraine Murray takes questions on drawing sheets to all students

All data being entered on a spreadsheet

May 2 – Story Gathering Training at the Whale’s Tooth (26 participants, 11 unable to attend) Practiced gathering stories and learned to use Otter AI to create transcripts.

May 11, Thursday at 4:30 PM at the Lincolnville Community Library – to create a Story Gathering Strategy.

Silverio recommended getting the community together and offered to hold a potluck supper for the Town Meeting on June 15th to help bring people together.

Phase 3 – Make Decision (Plan) October – January

Phase 4 – Take Action – January – March 2024

Hand added that the process is going well and there was great effort at the last meeting.

The Select Board thanked Silverio for her update and continuing efforts.

8. **Rescue Truck as Surplus to Coastal Mountain Search & Rescue:**

Gerritsen made a motion, seconded by Hand, that the Board declare the 1994 Chevrolet Utility Truck, as recommended by the Fire Chief, as surplus with a value of less than \$5,000 and that the Fire Chief and the Town Administrator be authorized to dispose of the truck by donating it to the Coastal Mountain Search and Rescue, a Maine non-profit corporation. Vote: Laite – Yes, Gerritsen – Yes, Ray – Yes, Hand – Yes, Dunn – Yes.

9. **Select Board – June Meeting Schedule:**

Kinney explained that the first meeting in June is the night before the June 13th election; he suggested that the Select Board consider holding a warrant-only meeting on June 12.

The Select Board concurred and decided to hold that meeting at 5 PM at the Town Office.

10. **Selectperson Update(s):**

Laite: No updates at this time.

Gerritsen: The next Mid-Coast Solid Waste Board will hold a workshop on Wednesday, May 10, 2023, at 6:30 PM.

Ray: Unfortunately, the Waldo County Woodshed at the Sand/Salt building blew over during the last windstorm and the group is hoping to rebuild the structure as soon as possible.

Ray explained the way the woodshed landed; he felt the structure should not be in the way.

Hand: The last EMS Performance Review Committee canceled their last meeting due to no quorum.

Dunn: Dunn was hopeful that each town will be able to appoint two members to the EMS Performance Review Committee, which would be helpful to get a meeting together.

11. **Treasurer's and Payroll Warrant(s)-Approve & Sign:**

Laite made a motion, seconded by Ray, that the Board approves and signs the Treasurers and Payroll warrants. Vote: Laite – Yes, Gerritsen – Yes, Ray – Yes, Hand – Yes, Dunn – Yes.

12. **Executive Session – Title 1 MRSA Section 405(6)(A) Personnel Matter with Town Administrator:**

Hand made a motion, seconded by Gerritsen, that the Board enters into executive session with the Town Administrator pursuant to Title 1 MRSA Section 405(6)(A) to discuss a personnel matter. Vote: Laite – Yes, Gerritsen – Yes, Ray – Yes, Hand – Yes, Dunn – Yes.

Laite made a motion, seconded by Hand, that the Board accept the resignation of the Public Facilities Director, David Roundy, Jr. Vote: Laite – Yes, Gerritsen – Yes, Ray – Yes, Hand – Yes, Dunn – Yes.

13. **Adjourn:**

Ray made a motion, seconded by Laite, that the Board adjourn. The motion passed on a 5-0-0 vote. Vote: Laite – Yes, Gerritsen – Yes, Ray – Yes, Hand – Yes, Dunn – Yes.

Respectfully submitted,

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