

**TOWN OF LINCOLNVILLE  
SELECT BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 23, 2024**

**Present:** Ladleah Dunn, Mike Ray, Robyn Tarantino, and Steve Hand

**Absent:** Keryn Laite, Jr. (excused)

The quote was read by Tarantino.

1. **Citizens' Forum**

There were none.

2. **Administrator's Report**

David Kinney, the Town Administrator reported:

- The paving for Tucker Brook and Masalin Roads is complete except for driveway transitions and shoulders
- Tree and brush clearing has started on Greenacre and Slab City Roads, the contractor has experienced an equipment breakdown and awaits repair
- Calderwood Road reconstruction walk through has been conducted by Contractor, engineer and town. Punchlist of remaining items, mostly clean up and restoration of vegetation remain
- Central Maine Power is about to commence with a five-year maintenance trim of the power circuits
- FEMA paperwork for the January storms has cleared initial review and awaits further FEMA review
- Absentee ballots will be available on or before October 7<sup>th</sup>.
- The escrow agreement for Harbor Ridge has been prepared and sent to the developer for review
- The floats at Breezemere Park will be removed by others this year for less money. The launching ramp floats will be hauled in mid-October so property owners should be aware.

3. **Meetings & Announcements**

Administrator Kinney read the meetings and announcements.

4. **Upcoming Community Events**

None

5. **Meeting Minutes – September 9, 2024**

**Motion by Hand, second by Tarantino, to approve the September 9, 2024 meeting minutes as presented. Motion Passed. Vote: 4-0.**

6. **Discussion with Waldo County Sheriff's Office**

Due to Select Board member Laite's absence this item was postponed to October 28<sup>th</sup>.

7. **Public Hearing Winter Road Closing of Martin Corner Road**

**Motion by Ray, second by Hand, that the Board open a public hearing concerning the winter road closing of the Martin Corner Road pursuant to Title 23 Section 2953. Motion Passed. Vote: 4-0.**

No public comment offered.

**Motion by Hand, second by Tarantino, to close the public hearing concerning the possible winter road closing of the Martin Corner Road. Motion Passed. Vote: 4-0.**

**Motion by Hand, second by Tarantino, that following a public hearing pursuant to Title 23 MRSA §2953(2), and due deliberation, it is the opinion of the Municipal Officers of the Town of Lincolnville that the Martin Corner Road from 171 Martin Corner Road to its end at the Moody Mountain Road is so located with reference to population, use and travel thereon, that it is unnecessary to keep it maintained and open for travel during the months of November, December, January, February, March, and April. Motion passed. Vote: 4-0.**

8. **Public Hearing General Assistance Ordinance**

**Motion by Ray, second by Tarantino, that the Board open a public hearing concerning the General Assistance Ordinance and appendices. Motion passed. Vote: 4-0.**

No public comment offered.

**Motion by Ray, second by Tarantino, to close the public hearing. Motion passed. Vote: 4-0.**

**Motion by Hand, second by Tarantino, that the Board adopt the 2024 General Assistance Ordinance and Appendices A-H with an effective date of October 1, 2024. Motion passed. Vote: 4-0.**

9. **Proposed Land Use Ordinance Amendments – Richard Butler, Planning Board Chair**

Dick Butler, Chair of the Planning Board, along with Planning Board members Sandy Delano and Dick Vermeulen presented a Planning Board request that would allow the Code Enforcement Officer to be the permitting authority for projects within 100 feet of the shoreline. Planning Board stated that permitting is done this way in several other towns and would be speedier for applicant. Planning Board suggested that perhaps this could be moved onto the Land Use Committee for an ordinance rewrite.

Tarantino expressed concern about public notice or the lack thereof with review being done by CEO versus Planning Board in a public meeting.

Dunn did not want to place more work on Land Use Committee until they wrapped up work with ordinance regarding the current moratorium.

Hand liked it being easier for the applicant but concerned about potential unintended consequences. He suggested speaking with the Town Attorney before the Board decided to move forward.

By consensus the Board agreed to Hand's suggestion. Kinney to arrange Board session with Town Attorney.

The Board thanked the Planning Board for bringing the item forward for consideration.

#### 10. **Heart & Soul Team Update**

Cindy Dunham, Heart & Soul Team Chair, thanked the Board for adopting the resolutions the last time and update was given as well as having the resolution posted on the web site. Dunham stated that the community conversations held to date had 3 to 25 attendees and 8 lists of ideas were created. This coming Sunday afternoon the Team will be hosting a summit to allow folks to prioritize action ideas. The Team is also looking forward to their October 21<sup>st</sup> workshop with the Select Board and Comprehensive Plan Review Committee.

#### 11. **Ferry Terminal Project – Letter to MaineDOT**

Kinney provided a brief history leading up to the drafting of the letter.

Tarantino inquired about possibly adding solar generation to the letter.

**Tarantino made a motion, second by Hand, to that the Board approve and sign the letter dated September 23, 2024 to MaineDOT Senior Project Manager Mackenzie Kersbergen that sets forth the current concerns of the Select Board in regards to the ferry terminal project.** After the motion was made Ray suggested adding the word “to” in the last sentence.  
**Motion passed. Vote: 4-0.**

#### 12. **Discussion of Non-water Dependent Floating Structures**

Tarantino stated that the report to the legislature included in the packet was interesting and helpful. She suggested a tickler or something for the upcoming legislative session.

Ray opined how best to communicate with legislators.

Hand thought it a good idea for open communications with State Representative and Senator.

**Dunn moved, with a second by Ray, to appoint Robyn Tarantino as the Board's representative on non-water dependent floating structures and asked that she keep the Board informed of associated legislation, potentially testify at the legislature with prior Board approval and notice. Motin passed. Vote: 4-0.**

Suggestions were made to reach out to Kate Dufour at MMA and James Kossuth of Northport the regional representative to MMA's Legislative Policy Committee (LPC).

### 13. Board of Assessors

**Motion by Hand, second by Tarantino, that we suspend our meeting as the Select Board and that we convene as the Board of Assessors. Motion passed. Vote: 4-0.**

**Motion by Tarantino, second by Ray, that the Board sign the Certificate of Assessment to be returned to Municipal Treasurer (Amended BETE), the Assessors' Certification of Assessment (Amended BETE), the 2023-2024 Municipal Tax Assessment Warrant and Certificate of Commitment. Motion passed. Vote: 4-0.**

**Motion by Tarantino, second by Hand, that the Board authorize Ladleah Dunn as Chair of the Select Board to sign the Affidavit Correct Local Government Record regarding the 2023 tax commitment. Motion passed. Vote: 4-0.**

**Motion by Hand, second by Ray, that the Board grant abatement #2024-02 to John & Terrie Kelly in the tax amount of \$160.95 to correct an error in the record. Motion passed. Vote: 4-0.**

**Motion by Ray, second by Tarantino, that we approve and sign the 2024 Municipal Valuation Return as prepared by the Assessors' Agent. Motion passed. Vote: 4-0.**

**Motion by Hand, second by Tarantino, that we adjourn our meeting as the Board of Assessors and reconvene as the Select Board.**

### 14. Confirmation of Town Clerk's Appointment of Election Warden

**Motion by Tarantino, second by Ray, that the Board approve the Town Clerk's appointment of David Kinney as Election Warden for the November 5, 2024 Election. Motion passed. Vote: 4-0.**

15. **Selectperson Update(s)**

Hand – LCS Facilities Committee meeting this week

Ray – none

Tarantino – General Assistance training, MCSWC tour, first Waldo County Budget Committee meeting of the year held with 3 more scheduled.

Dunn – Internal Review Committee for WCSO post lethal event scheduled for October

16. **Treasurer’s and Payroll Warrant(s)-Approve & Sign:**

**Motion by Ray, second by Tarantino, to approved and sign the Treasurer’s and Payroll warrants. Motion passed. Vote: 4-0.**

17. **Adjourn:**

**Motin by Tarantino, second by Ray, to adjourn. Motion passed. Vote: 4-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

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David Kinney  
Town Clerk