

TOWN OF RANDOLPH
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Tuesday, June 9, 2020
5:00 p.m.

BOS PRESENT:

Mark Roberts, Chair
Robert Henderson, Jr.
Matt Drost

OTHERS PRESENT:

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk
Greg Lumbert, CEO
Art Forand, Public Works
John Larouche, Town Attorney
Janet Richards, Tax Collector
Ron Cunningham, Fire Chief

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

John Larouche was at the meeting to discuss with the Board the loan the Town intends to take out for \$1,000,000.00. After discussion this was decided to be a Line of Credit with Camden National Bank. John will be at the next meeting with a Resolution that the Board will sign and pass.

Greg Lumbert gave the Board some updates on CEO/Harbormaster issues. The gentlemen who wants to have a food truck in Randolph came into the office and registered his business and paid the registration fee of \$10.00. Greg is still trying to research any laws etc., that he will have to follow but the Town does not have any specific permits for this type of business.

He is also looking into a couple of docks that have been placed in the river as Harbormaster.

On June 13, 2020, Central Maine Pryotechnics will be doing a fireworks display for Gardiner Area High School Graduation on the Randolph side of the river. The Board supports and is behind this celebration. Apparently, the City of Gardiner is not in favor so this is why they will be launched from the Randolph side of the river.

Art spoke to the Board about Sam Snow and his property in Pittston on Route 27. Sam is selling a property there and he had wanted to hook into the Randolph Sewer system. After many difficulties he is trying to sell the property and has in fact told the potential buyer that the buyer might have to put in a septic which they are researching now. If they hook up to the sewer it would have to be approved by the Town of Randolph and designed the way the Town specifies.

Snow told Art and Greg that he had a sewer entrance permit but it has been over the 8 month period and has expired so he would have to start the process over again. This was

issued by Ernie Martin who was a temporary plumbing inspector but Greg is still trying to find what was issued to Martin (who is deceased) and if there was a design plan provided.

He will be asked to come to the meeting next week and bring a copy of his permit with him.

Art gave the Board a proposal from Coutts Brothers for the manhole work on Barber Road which they can begin tomorrow (June 10, 2020). All three Board members signed the proposal. They had asked for 50% down before starting but the logistics of that are not possible so they will be paid this through next week's warrant.

The Town has received complaints on the condition of the Cemeteries in Town. Apparently there are trash containers that are overflowing and the grass is very high. Art check the mowing contract and it is the responsibility of our mowing contractor to take care of these. Art is going to talk with Angie Ellis as cemetery sexton and Kevin Ashline will be notified that the cemeteries are not satisfactory along with the other town properties he is responsible for. If the trash containers are not taken care of within the week, the Board asked Art to take care of it and they will bill Ashline.

The tree on Middle Street was discussed. After much discussion about whose responsibility it is, it was decided that CMP will be contacted and asked if they would consider trimming and/or taking down the tree and if that does not solve the problem perhaps the Town could split the cost of removal 50/50 with the homeowner. An arborist's report will be given consideration before any action and Art will have Brownie's Tree Service come in and do the inspection. Bob Henderson also pointed out that there is a tree across the street that may be a hazard because if it falls, it will take out major power lines. CMP will be advised of that one too.

The Board signed the accounts payable and payroll warrants. They also signed the Certificate of Commitment of Sewer User Rates in conjunction with the June 15, 2020 billing and a quitclaim deed given to them by the Tax Collector.

Matt Drost voted to accept the minutes of the June 2, 2020 meeting. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. VOTE – UNANIMOUS.

Peter Coughlan submitted an invoice for the work done recently by him on the streetlight conversion. The Town has already seen a significant savings in the electric bills. The Board felt that this amount of \$1,000 was well earned.

Matt Drost made a motion to pay \$1,000 to Peter Coughlan for all his work on the streetlight conversion. Mark Roberts seconded the motion. VOTE – UNANIMOUS.

The annual town meeting date was discussed. The Board feels that the date of July 22, 2020 is the acceptable and will stand. The Board will be working on the budget and asked the Treasurer for a timeline so that the Town Report can be completed in a timely fashion.

Tax Collector Janet Richards asked for the Board's decision on a vacant property at 35 Fairview Avenue. She has done extensive research to try and make contact and the time for selling the property has come.

Bob Henderson made a motion to put this property out to bid. Mark Roberts seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.** Janet will report back to the Board when this has been set up for sale.

Janet also asked for direction in dealing with the **Sansouci** property at 39 Fairview Avenue. It is in foreclosure status for taxes and he has liens for Wastewater. Janet has fulfilled all of the legal requirements and contacted Mr. Sansouci personally and he has made no attempt to rectify the situation. The Town will send a letter to Mr. Sansouci asking for action before they proceed with foreclosure and sale of the property. The letter will be signed at the next meeting and sent out.

Greg told the Board that there is a court case on Friday regarding the Dorays. This may give him the authority to go inside the home to determine the status and allow him to take pictures of the conditions. He will inform the Board next week on the matter.

Bob Henderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mark Roberts seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m. Next regular meeting will be Tuesday, June 16, 2020 @ 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk