**TOWN OF LIVERMORE**

**Board of Selectpersons**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**August 31, 2021**

**6:30 PM**

**BOARD:** SCOTT RICHMOND, TRACEY MARTIN, MARK CHRETIEN, RANDY OUELLETTE, BRETT DEYLING

**DEPT HEADS:** AARON MILLER

**RESIDENTS/GUESTS:** MIKE WEBBER

**PRESS:** PAM HARNDEN

**Meeting**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Executive Session: Consultations with legal counsel – 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(E)

Brett motioned to enter into executive session, seconded by Scott; 5-0. Scott motioned to exit executive session, seconded by Brett; 5-0.

1. Award Pollard Scholarship

Aaron reported Muriel Bowman and Andy Sylvester met at 6 p.m. to draw the winner of the Pollard Scholarship. Sam Gould, a student at St. Joseph’s was chosen.

1. Approval of Minutes
   1. August 3, 2021

Brett motioned to approve, seconded by Tracey; 5-0.

* 1. August 17, 2021

Scott motioned to approve, seconded by Brett; 5-0.

1. Administrator’s Report

*Turkey Lane*

The town received a complaint from a resident who says the Turner end of Turkey Lane is in terrible shape. Roger has been notified of the complaint. The resident also inquired about the town taking over the portion that has been discontinued. Aaron gave the resident information on that process.

*Landowner Appreciation Day*

On Sept. 12 the state of Maine’s Inland Fisheries & Wildlife’s Land Relations along with the Keep Maine Clean Program will be hosting Landowner Appreciation Day.

This program is aimed at curtailing illegal dumping of junk, tires, etc. A dumpster will be placed at the Round Pond boat launch for those who wish to dispose of such items free of charge. For more information visit IF&Ws Land Owner Relations Program on the web.

*NIMS*

Androscoggin County EMA is offering a NIMS 402 training for Sept. 8 & Sept. 22, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at their office in Lewiston.

The purpose of this course is to provide orientations to the Incident Command System for Executives and Senior Officials including elected officials town managers and public works. NIMS compliance is a requirement for grant recipients.

In order for communities to be NIMS compliant and maintain eligibility for federal grants and funding, we are required to take this training, which will meet those requirements. Scott, Tracey and Aaron are scheduled to attend Sept. 8.

*American Rescue Plan Act*

The state of Maine has set up a Portal to begin the process of receiving funds from ARPA. Since you have new administration Aaron added that information and is currently awaiting review.

1. Old Business

*Traffic Study*

Aaron reported he has been communicating with a DOT traffic engineer who looked at Route 4 by the Dollar General and has determined that it makes sense to extend the 40 mph zone north by about 2,000 feet past the ball fields and the commercial area. DOT will get a sign crew out there as soon as possible.

In addition, Aaron asked DOT to add studying Waters Hill, which isn’t posted. State statute says that the default speed limit is 45 rural and 25 urban, so the assumption is that it’s a 45 mph zone, but it’s recommend waiting to post the area since a sign implies that it has been looked at and deemed safe, which isn’t the case.

*Cemetery Mowing*

Aaron reported that he received a verbal complaint regarding mowing of cemeteries on Thursday, a phone call from Sen. Lisa Keim’s Office and an inquiry from a newspaper reporter. He said that he contacted Mike Webber that day to relay those concerns. Mike said that it was his fault that he let the grass get so long, adding that someone siphoned diesel from his equipment and added gasoline.

Scott motioned to terminate the contract given the amount of complaints, seconded by Mark; 5-0. Scott motioned the town hire Sunshine Pools to finish cemetery mowing until the season is over at $4,650, seconded by Brett; 5-0.

1. New Business
   1. *Meeting 9/7/2021 Commitment* – Paul will be here to present preliminary commitment numbers at 5 p.m. for a special selectboard meeting.
   2. *Town Garage Roof* - Mark suggested the town advertise for bids to replace the metal on the front side of the Town Garage roof. Scott said that has been budgeted for and must be completed by June 10, 2022. The board agreed to solicit bids.
   3. *Fire Station lights/signs* – Scott would like to replace the light over the fire station bays and order new “No Parking” signs for the garage doors.
2. Warrants
3. Other

Tracey added that the “Welcome to Livermore” sign is down on the ground at Route 108.

1. Adjournment

Brett motion to adjourn, second by Tracey; 5-0 at 8:12 p.m.