



# THE TOWN OF LIMINGTON

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## **SELECTBOARD MEETING DECEMBER 08, 2022**

### **Meeting Called to Order at   pm by**

Approval of meeting minutes November 17, 2022.

Motion to approve meeting minutes from November 17, 2022 made by Michael Barden second by Jonathan Kinney, approved.

Motion to table approval of meeting minutes from December 01, 2022, Stanley Hackett is not at the meeting. Motion to table made by Jonathan Kinney, Michael Barden second, approved.

### **Approval of Warrant #49**

Appropriations: \$ 383,258.57

Payroll:           \$ 20,212.01

Total:             \$ 405,016.79

Note: Appropriations paid \$302,00 for paving, \$28,000 for ambulance, \$14,000 for salt, \$10,500 to ecoMaine. Motion to approve Warrant #49 made by Michael Barden second by Jonathan Kinney, approved.

### **Purchase Order Requests:**

#### **PWD:**

A request to pay LP Murray for sand: \$4,302.00.

A request to pay NAPA Auto Parts for a regulator, battery box and cabinet for the Bandit HotBox: \$547.03.

A request to pay Napa Auto Parts for Flood light, hydraulic hose, fitting and wiper blades for fleet maintenance: \$1,048.34

A request to pay Napa Auto Parts for couplers, filters and sander lights for Tr#6 and Tr#9: \$599.76.

A request to pay Napa Auto Parts for Booster cables and anvil: \$1,664.47.

A request to pay Napa Auto Parts for plasma cutter and hatchet: \$1,552.96.

A request to pay Napa Auto Parts for transfer pump, fuel and coolant: \$231.99.

A request to pay Napa Auto Parts for winch, torque gauge, panel alignment bar, locking chuck: \$583.12.

A request to pay Napa Auto Parts misc screws, nuts, washers for repairs; \$404.12.

A request to pay MB Tractor and Equip for 2.5 gal oil mix: \$30.00.

A request to pay Seep Falls Building Supply for shelving: \$96.22.

A request to pay Matheson Gas for oxygen, acetylene, face shield, flint, tips, cylinder lease: \$1,238.90.

Motion to approve PWD POs as read and corrected made by Jonathan Kinney second by Michael Barden, approved.

**FIRE & EMS:**

A request to pay Industrial Protection Services for the second air pack, per town meeting (previous Po was for one unit only, 2 were approved at Town Meeting): \$7,310.00.

A request to pay Hartford Communications for tower service maintenance: \$330.00.

Motion to approve Fire/EMS POs made by Jonathan Kinney second by Michael Barden, approved.

**PLANNING BOARD:**

A request to reimburse Michael Harris McGee for application & ad fees not required: 390.00.

Motion to approve Planning Board PO made by Jonathan Kinney second by Michael Barden, approved.

**OLD TOWN HALL:**

A request to pay Anderson septic for pumping septic tank 10/27/2022: \$250.00.

Motion to approve Old town hall po made by Jonathan Kinney second by Michael Barden, approved.

**DAVIS MEMORIAL LIBRARY:**

A request to pay Your Weekly Shopping Guide for book sale ad: \$38.00.

Motion to approve Davis Memorial Library PO made by Jonathan Kinney second by Michael Barden, approved.

**TRANSFER STATION:**

A request to pay Your Weekly Shopping Guide for 3 week ad for the Transfer Station holiday closure: \$192.00.

Motion to approve Transfer Station PO made by Jonathan Kinney second by Michael Barden, approved.

**PARKS & RECREATION:**

A request to pay Epic Sports for basketballs: \$608.60.

A request to pay MMDY Stipends for 2023: \$330.00.

Motion to approve Parks & Rec POs as read and corrected made by Jonathan Kinney second by Michael Barden, approved.

**MUNICIPAL:**

A request to pay Lowes or shelving and storage totes for filing: \$619.84.

Motion to approve Municipal PO made by Jonathan Kinney second by Michael Barden, approved

### **Old & New Business:**

The Select Board will hold an Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)( A) Personnel Matters and 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)( E) Consultations with Legal Counsel on DECEMBER 14, 2022 at 3:00PM. Motion made by Jonathan Kinney to **cancel the 3:00pm Executive Session on December 14, 2022** due to this time already being allotted to a meeting with the Turnpike Authority. Michael Barden seconded the motion, motion approved.

### **The Select Board will hold an Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)( A) Personnel Matters and 1 M.R.S.A § 405(6)( E) Consultations with Legal Counsel on DECEMBER 14, 2022 at 2:00PM.**

Motion made by Jonathan Kinney to hold the Executive Session at 2:00pm, second by Michael Barden, approved.

Minimum wage increases from \$12.75 to \$13.80 January 1, 2022. This effects Davis Memorial Library staff and some fire/EMS staff such as drivers. This is not something the Town has control of, it is a State increase and we must comply.

The Maine Turnpike Authority, Peter Mills and Uri Avin, is coming to speak with the Select board on Wed December 14, 2022 at 3pm to discuss the impact a spur to Portland will have on our community. Portland is not in favor of the spur due to the increased traffic, the city would like to see more public transportation, which is not feasible at this time.

We have had 290 applications filled out for LD290, for the property tax freeze. The State of Maine has requested a report with the number of applicants by the next week.

Spent time speaking with the Fire Chief about the cistern on tucker Rd, the Select board is not happy with the results of the cistern and are working on a solution.

Ken Gardiner designed a new septic plan for the Old Town hall, as we all know the old system would likely be unable to handle the new use of the building. Ken filled out the State of Maine required variance and we submitted it to the State, the variance was approved. The current tank is an old 500 gallon steel tank that is not viable. The new system will be placed right next to the building, on town property. The system will use elegans off the tank, these are being donated by the manufacture, and we are hoping to get the new tank at cost. We are working to get the new tank donated from the manufacture and then the town would only need to pay for labor to install. A huge thank you to Ken Gardiner for all his help moving this forward.

### **Weekly Update on Select Board activities:**

Met with Gravel Pit owners and residents who are not in favor of gravel pits. Worked with assessor on tax cards and valuation needs. To be reimbursed at 100% by the State for homestead, veteran's, and other exemptions, we have to have a valuation of a certain percentage calculated by the State, and if the Town is not at the right percentage, the Town does not get 100% of the State reimbursement. The Select Board and our assessor have spent a lot of time on this, and it looks like the valuations will change, homes will double, mobile homes up

50%, land values 150%. We will be entering these changes into our new trio software not onto our current card system.

### **Informational Bulletin:**

#### **Paper are available for the following open positions:**

Select Board: 1 seat

Planning Board: 1 seat

Davis Memorial Library Trustee: 1 seat

Papers are due back to the Town Office by January 3, 2023.

**Transfer Station hours** are Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Wednesday 12-4 p.m. **A Transfer Station sticker must be attached to your vehicle windshield for the disposal of ALL items.** 2023 Transfer Station stickers are available for 2023.

The Transfer Station is closed Saturday and Sunday December 24 & 25, 2022 for Christmas, as well as Saturday December 31, 2022 and Sunday January 1, 2023 for New Years.

**The Town Offices will be closed Monday December 26, 2022 Friday December 30, 2022 and Monday January 2, 2023** for the Holidays and year end work.

**General Assistance Office** is open on Tuesdays from 3-5 p.m. Applications are available anytime from the Town Clerks office during their normal business hours. Applications must be filled out and accompanied with supporting documentation and must be signed.

**Planning Board** meets at the Municipal Complex on site the first and third Monday evenings at 7pm.

**The work has begun on the Old Town Hall:** there will be NO ACCESS to the area during the project. The project is scheduled to last 8 weeks. If you require access, please send an email so arrangements can be made.

**The Old Town Hall Committee** meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7 pm.

The drawing for the Quilt Raffle will be on December 15, 2022 after the Select Board meeting.

**The Select Board hours: The office is now open to the public from 2:00pm to 4:30pm on Wednesdays. Thursdays remain the same.**

**The Financial Advisory Committees** meets tonight December 08, 2022 after the Select board meeting.

**Parks & Rec** is hosting more Cards and Coffee dates at the Municipal Offices. Not just cards, not just coffee! The times are 9:30am-11:30am each date and the dates are Thurs Dec 15, Wed Dec 21, Wed Jan 11, 2023. Come and see what is happening, there will be cribbage, cards, scrabble, puzzles, and coffee. If you have questions or suggestions, please reach out to Madison Moody our Recreation Director at [M.Moody@LimingtonMaine.gov](mailto:M.Moody@LimingtonMaine.gov)

The Fishing Derby at Pequawket Lake is scheduled for January 28, 2032 with a weather date of February 11, 2023.

**Open to the Public:**

**Motion to Adjourn at 7:28 pm** by Stanley Hackett second Jonathan Kinney, adjourned.

Select Board, Town of Limington

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Jonathan Kinney, Chair

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Stanley Hackett

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Michael Barden III