



**Minutes**  
**OWLS HEAD BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**June 17, 2019**

**1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:**

Chairman Thomas R Von Malder calls the meeting to order at 4:00pm. Present were selectmen Linda Post and Gordon Page. Also present are Beth Birmingham, Lynn Chaplin, Paul Rosen and Robert Hirsch

Assessor Tom Edwards come forward with his budget proposal for next year. He stated that this years budget is over by approximately \$2000. He provided a copy of the upcoming budget and stated he recommends establishing a reserve account for a future revaluation. Mr. Edwards supplied a spreadsheet explaining the difference between water influenced and non-water influenced properties. A discussion was had about the difference between SF or MF noted in the spreadsheet. Tom explained SF is single family and MF is multi-family. Gordon would like to hear from finance chair, Robert Hirsch, as it relates to the reserve accounts. Gordon also asks how it falls into the plans of the budget committee if they have already started working on it. Robert Hirsch replies that he hasn't heard a word about it until just now. Tom requests \$50,000 over a two year period. Tom Von Malder suggested doing the revaluation on the second year. Gordon asked about the annual property tax, asking how to get the bad debt off the books.

**4:22 Tom Von Malder closes as Assessor**

**2. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES:**

**4:27 Motion: Gordon makes a motion to approve with said corrections for the meeting on June 4, 2019. Linda seconds that motion**  
**VOTE 3 in favor – 0 opposed**

**3. Old Business** Next is Transportation and Disposal bid. A single bid was placed by DM & J for a two year contract dated from July 2019 to July 2021 in the amount of:

- Disposal of CDD @ \$82.00 per ton
- Transportation @ \$260.00 per trip\*
- Container rental @ \$50.00 per container

\*A fuel surcharge will be added as per the following schedule. The price per gallon will be determined by the pump of diesel fuel at Dysart's Truck Service Center in Hermon

**4:31 Motion: Gordon makes a motion to approve the Bid from DM & J in the amounts stated in their proposal. Linda seconds that motion**  
**VOTE 3 in favor – 0 opposed**

Next is the Dublin Road disposal with William Lane & Jack Firth. Tom Von Malder asked William Lane if he is familiar with Mr. Firth's proposal for the removal of any metal on the property. William Lane stated he doesn't see that poses a problem. Mr Lane did also state that the asbestos problem be dealt with prior to any activity on the property. Mr Lanes suggested that we authorize ICON to have their contractors put out a bid simply for the asbestos removal or be implemented into one contract for both asbestos removal as well as demolishing. Tom Von Malder says it sounds to him as though we can go ahead with the asbestos removal then with the metal removal and have Mr Lane prepare bid specifications for the rest

**4:51 Motion: Linda makes a motion to have ICON proceed with obtaining bids for the asbestos remediation. Gordon seconds that motion**

**Vote 3 in favor – 0 opposed**

Book dedication page: Pam made a recommendation. Announcement will be made at a later date

**4:55 – Selectmen approve whom Pam recommended for the dedication page**

Emergency Medical Services. Gordon met with the Rockland City Manager Tom Luttrell and the Rockland Fire Chief about the proposed, effected July 1, 2019, a contract with the Town of Owls Head to provide medical services in the form of ambulance service and care in the amount of \$96,819. The base level payment is based on Rockland providing up to 120 EMS responses per year to Owls Head. That being a 4% increase over the prior year of \$93,005. Gordon recommended we counter and look at the CPI for the past 5 years and pitch a 2.2% increase plus 1% for cost of living expense, which would make it 3.2%. The city counter proposed two options:

*Option 1: An increase over this year of CPI + 1% up to 120 runs, plus \$800 per run over over 120*

*Option 2: An increase of 4% over this year, escalating 4% each year, with unlimited runs, for 5 years*

**5:16 Motion: Tom makes a motion to go with option 2 of the EMS proposed contract. Linda seconds the motion**

**Vote 3 in favor – 0 opposed**

Tom asks who will contact Tom Luttrell, Gordon says he will contact the Rockland City Manager.

**4. NEW BUSINESS:** Larkin Post would like to be a member of the New Shoreland Ordinance Committee

**6:17 Motion: Linda makes a motion to appoint Larkin Post to be on the Shoreline Ordinance Committee. Gordon seconds the motion**

**Vote 3 in favor – 0 opposed**

Request for vacation time for Susan Wilson

**6:18 Motion: Gordon makes a motion to approve vacation time for Susan Wilson. Linda seconds the motion**

**Vote 3 in favor – 0 opposed**

Sno Farm property – An email was sent from Frederick Newcomb stating he will draw up the dangerous building complaint to take this matter to the Selectmen for a hearing.

**6:21 Motion: Linda makes a motion to move forward and have Frederick Newcomb draw up the dangerous building complaint, and proceed with the hearing to have the building condemned as a dangerous building. Gordon seconds the motion**  
**Vote 3 in favor – 0 opposed**

A bill from Fred Newcomb for the Mussel Ridge Historical Society was received. Pam Curtis had asked who was responsible for payment. Gordon suggested we send it to MRHS for payment. Linda believes that at a past meeting, MRHS stated they would be responsible for costs because it is their project.

A discussion was had with a new resident, Paul Rosen. He explained his prior job history and feels that he would be more than happy to be of help anywhere he's able.

**5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

**6. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**7. OTHER BUSINESS:**

**8. APPROVE AND SIGN THE MUNICIPAL WARRANT: 6:35pm**

**9. ADJOURN THE MEETING 6:36 Motion: Linda makes a motion to adjourn. Gordon seconds that motion**  
**Vote 3 in favor – 0 opposed**