

**SELECT BOARD MEETING  
APPLETON TOWN OFFICE  
DATE: JUNE 22, 2021 6:30 PM**

Attendance: Board members Lorie Costigan (Chair), Peter Beckett (Vice Chair), Charles Garrigan, Scott Esancy, Marci Blakely.

Road Commissioner Jake Boyington

Public: Robert Bocko, Donald Burke,

**1: CALL SELECT BOARD MEETING TO ORDER.**

**2: Reminder: MEETINGS ARE RECORDED (ZOOM)**

**3: APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 1, 2021, MEETING.** Carrigan motion, second Beckett.

Discussion: Beckett should say Danielle was late/left early.

3-0-2/Blakely & Esancy

**4: APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 15, 2021, MEETING.** Beckett move to accept minutes.

Garrigan second. Discussion: Beckett section 8 changes. Unanimous.

**5: PUBLIC COMMENT:** Mr. Bocco former budget chair, willing to serve again if so chosen.

Cause for warrant to transfer Clark scholarship to high school. Net return of HS .9% (.3% return for town). Meeting w/ point of contact and financial advisor regarding transfer. Will report developments, currently in a CD until September.

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Donald Burke: Address cemetery issue. Copy of 2020 contract. Complaint of current conditions appears contractor in violation of multiple articles. Costigan: Has been to the cemetery, takes care of tomb, aware of the conditions and will address in later agenda item.

**6: ROAD COMMISSIONER**

Collinstown Road work, making progress. Replaced 3 driveway culverts, 4 cross culverts, ditched 2/3 of the 2 miles. Cleared and dug out multiple culverts. Original PO was for \$15,000. There have been invoices amounting to \$6,000. Foreseen upcoming work over next week, will have to ask for additional \$8,000 for Collinstown Road for work that has been done already. About \$2,000 over the original \$15,000. Anticipate additional \$6,00 (one more cross culvert, all cross culverts leveled with gravel, add as needed. Will need to dig them back out and add pavement, also riprap at end of culverts time consuming). Have been able to keep traffic flowing with no road closures, despite deep culvert work. Need two more culverts from Vikings, \$1,200 total. Public inquiry regarding budgetary questions answered by Road Commissioner. Budget update, as of right now \$20,000 in road maintenance, \$2k in road improvement and \$30k in snow plowing. Will overextend in maintenance. Costigan, have you checked all farm access driveways on Appleton Ridge? Woodlot (Blakley property) is functioning, blueberry culvert is functioning and not causing problems. Appleton Ridge work to be done in the fall.

**PO \$8,000 for Collinstown**

**PO \$1,200 Culverts Viking Collinstown.**

**Motion for PO for \$9200 Beckett motion, Garrigan second. Unanimously approved.**

**PO \$1,500 Culverts (4 15x20) Magog Road (previous PO from last fall) 2 cross culverts and one driveway culvert.**

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**Motion for PO \$1500 Viking Garrigan, second Blakely. Unanimous approval.**

**PO \$2,000 Appleton Ridge** 6 15'x20' Viking Culverts Stewart Raven's area also culvert at end of Whitney Road, Burke and Boyington properties.

**Motion for \$2000 Beckett, Second by Garrigan. Vote w/ understanding all other access has been verified and will be double checked, unanimous approval.**

**PO \$6,000 Collinstown road culvert raising and dip causing water and ice issues/heaving** propose to tear up pavement, dig and repair. Approximately 3-day project at approximately \$1,800 a day. Trucking of material is included in the PO.

**Motion for \$6,000 for road work near stream crossing by Frank Maddocks residence/bog Beckett. Second: Garrigan. Unanimous.**

**Sand update:** Confirmation of \$14 per yard from Dave's World throughout the year. Contract to be issued with same conditions. Approximately 1,500 yards needed to fill.

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- A. PINE GROVE CEMETERY UPDATES:** Call made to Driftwood regarding town mowing areas, despite staff shortages, did get to the town office, park, etc. Have heard from Mr. Oldrin regarding Cemetery conditions not being met per contract. Did make a pass on straight areas. Due to conditions, more than was anticipated. Does not have to go bid due to language change. Complaints are warranted. Contacted Justin Myrick and he is willing to perform one-time services at \$1,300 and will address immediate need. Gives board time to evaluate needs, contract, etc. Jake Boyington suggests the board consider how bids are handled, often low bid not best. Consider including all cemeteries with town properties. Esancy: Has Amber Lee or other previous contractors been contacted: Lori: No, went right to last year's contact.

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Becket: Propose Justin Myrick do one time clean up and put remaining term out to bid, Esancy second. Discussion: Lori that would leave assuming vote in favor of Justin initial cleanup and bid published, accepted, and awarded, leaves July, August, September, and October (4 month) adjustment. Unanimously approved. Motion to amend existing bid Garrigan, second Blakely. Unanimously approved. Mike Wadsworth lot has small oak tree damaged and leaning at 20-degree angle, motion for PO to not exceed \$400 (ballpark quote obtained) for removal moved by Garrigan second by Esancy. Due to additional trees and outstanding calls for quotes, will defer until next week.

**B. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE CONTRACT DISCUSSION:**

Looking to contract with Midcoast Economic Development District (MCEDD) tabled until next week.

**C. CARBON NEUTRALITY RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Voters**

endorse resolution sign true attest of vote by board.

**D. SHARYN PHOLMAN, KNOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

**DATE:** June 29<sup>th</sup> meeting anticipated participation

**E. CMP POLE/UNDERGROUND UTILITY PERMIT:** Reviewed by Esancy and

Blakely.

**F. REQUEST TO APPOINT MARLENE LIBBY INTERIM DEPUTY**

**CLERK/TUESDAYS EVENINGS:** Motion by Beckett, second Garrigan

unanimously approved.

**G. REQUEST TO ENGAGE TOWN ATTORNEY TO REVIEW PERSONNEL**

**POLICY:** Motion by Beckett, second Blakely, unanimously approved.

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**H. BOARD MEMBER EMAILS:** Motion to obtain emails free of charge for each select board members through Tidewater moved by Beckett, second Garrigan, unanimously approved.

**I. CEO:** Appointments to be discussed next week.

**8: OTHER** Esancy where can we learn more about appointment positions – MMA.

**9: EXECUTIVE SESSION** No need for executive session

**10: ADJOURN** motion by Beckett, second Garrigan, unanimously approved 8:03 PM.