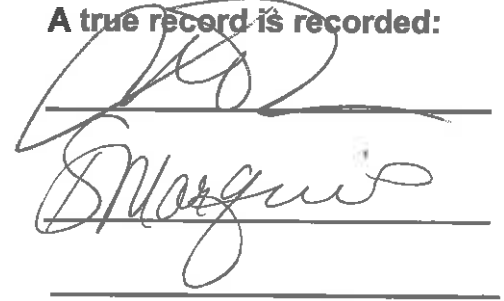


**Selectmen's Meeting
Town of Bowdoin, Maine**

April 3, 2017

A true record is recorded:



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Present were:

Marc Bernier

Deborah Marquis

No meeting was held on March 27th for lack of a quorum.

6:30 PM Pledge of Allegiance

Administrative:

The Selectmen reviewed and initialed and/or signed the following:

- The Selectmen's minutes for March 13th and March 20th.
- Planning Board minutes for February 14th and February 28th.
- A/P and P/R Warrant #7
- MSAD 75 events from March 27th to end of April 2017
- Monthly activity report and FY 18 Draft Budget for MMWAC
- Ten letters to Tax acquired last known property owners of record
- Quit Claim Deed for Victoria Haines
- Certificate of Abandonment to be recorded at the registry of deeds with attached Intent to Abandon signed by Wendall Card, Jr. owner of Card's Excavation and Tractor Work, Inc, the recent purchaser of the Grovers Mill Subdivision property on Wagg Rd.
- Notification from Portland Trust Company of a plan to replace the Federated money market mutual funds that have been used for cash liquidity and funds awaiting reinvestment, with the new Androscoggin Bank Institutional Fund. The AB rate while remaining higher than money market funds, will be reviewed and adjusted monthly, will be liquid on a daily basis, have a stable principal value, and will enjoy FDIC protection up to the applicable dollar amount limitations.
- Sixteen journal entries from the 2016 audit.
- Notice from MMWAC that Brad Plante has decided to step down from the Executive Committee.
- Letter written by Carol to Hannaford Accounts receivable regarding invoices for which we have no backup, followed by a response from Hannaford.
- E-Mail from Geoff Herman regarding LD 208, a bill that would allow overweight trucks carrying animal bedding to travel over posted roads without needing a municipal permit.
- Zero invoice from Gowen Power Systems for final inspection under service contract.
- Thank you and newsletter from Harris, Trio Software Company.
- Letter from Bard Paving Construction requesting an opportunity to bid on upcoming paving projects.

Audience Participation:

- **Jim and Linda Diemer**, residents of Sheen Rd came in to ask what can be done for the very muddy road leading to their home. They said the hill leading to their house is impassable for fuel trucks or emergency vehicles.
- **Marc asked JR** if he could put some stone on the road. JR said he would do that but probably he would not be able to do it until after the rain which is predicted in the next few days.
- **Tom Garrepy** brought in the title for the new fire truck and told the Selectmen he charged Adams polishes, waxing and sealing for the new truck on the Town charge card. He said he will be using the contribution the auxiliary received to purchase other equipment needed for the new truck.
- **Cable/Internet Committee Members, Jennifer, Peter, Linda and Liana** came in to update the Selectmen on their progress so far and to ask if the Town has any funds that could be allocated toward a part of the cost of the planning process. Others present were Becky Page and Eric Reece. The committee requested \$2,000.00. They believe a grant application would be taken more seriously if the Town showed an interest in supporting the effort.
- **Marc said** we could give them \$2,000.00 for this, but in the future we would need to have an article at the Town Meeting. One suggestion was appropriating from the Cable Franchise money, which averages about \$10,000.00 per year. Both Selectpersons present felt this would be a much needed and very desirable use for this money.
- Several of the members talked about ideas and information which they have gathered. One thing of interest that they learned was that Comcast with a few other cable companies make up only 10% of the market share in Maine. Time Warner, now Spectrum has the other 90%.
- The Committee said they need an official from the Town to work with the Committee through the planning process and applying for a grant. Deborah said she would do it.
- A printed update of progress and suggestions was given to the Selectmen for their information.

Other Business:

Carol advised the Selectmen of an error made on one of the plowing contracts. Marc will contact the contractor.

Adjournment: Deborah made a motion to adjourn shortly after 8PM. Marc seconded and the meeting adjourned.