

Town of Stockton Springs
Select Board – Morning Meeting
March 17, 2022
Minutes

1. Roll Call: Call to Order

Present: Marsha Shute, Darren Shute.

Also Present: Mac Smith – Town Manager.

Ms. Shute called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m.

2. Adjustments to the Agenda

There were no adjustments to the agenda.

3. Public Comment – Agenda Items Only

There was no public comment.

4. Minutes: March 3, 2022 Morning Meeting

Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2022 meeting as corrected.

5. Accounts Payable Warrant #58/Payroll Warrant #59

Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the Accounts Payable Warrant #58 and Payroll Warrant #59.

6. Treasurer’s Report

Mr. Smith presented the Treasurer’s Report.

7. Heat Pump Bid Award

There was discussion of the heat pump bids and the associated rebates. Mr. Smith said he would present an update on the potential grants at the next meeting.

Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to award the heat pump bid to Solar Logix, with Mr. Smith working with that company to assure the most coverage for the amount of money that had been approved at Town Meeting.

31 8. Emergency Operations Plan

32 Mr. Smith told the Board that he had compared the proposed new policy with the one
33 currently in place, and that the formatting and other changes made a line-by-line
34 comparison impossible. He said he would review the proposed new policy and note any
35 questions or concerns. The item was held over until the next meeting.

36 9. Moore's Septic Contract

37 Mr. Smith presented the Board with the new contract sent to the Town by Moore's Septic
38 for septic services. There was discussion of the proposed new contract. It was agreed
39 that Mr. Smith would obtain answers to the questions asked by the Board and report back
40 at the next meeting.

41 10. Discussion of LD 1673 – Affordable Housing

42 There was discussion of LD 1673, a bill in front of the Maine Legislature that takes away
43 local control over some residential zoning issues and gives that control to state officials in
44 Augusta. It was decided to continue to monitor the situation, and to consider action
45 depending on whether the bill made it out of legislative committee.

46 11. Correspondence

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48 A. Non-binding Memorandum of Understanding from Town of Winterport/Broadband

49 Mr. Smith discussed the Winterport Broadband Committee meeting he had attended
50 virtually. He said the Winterport Town Council had approved a non-binding
51 memorandum of understanding and that the memorandum would be presented to the
52 Stockton Select Board when received.

53 B. Off-Shore Wind Power Maine DOT Stakeholder Committee Membership

54 There was discussion of membership on the stakeholder committee for the offshore wind
55 power project in Searsport. It was agreed that Mr. Smith would represent the Town for
56 the present time.

57 C. Spirit of America Letter from Waldo County

58 Mr. Smith presented the Spirit of America Gold Distinction Award for 2020 which had
59 been sent to the Town by the Waldo County Commissioners in appreciation for
60 encouraging volunteer efforts.

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65 D. United Way Grant

66 Mr. Smith presented an email from the United Way of Eastern Maine, which had
67 received funds from a NewsCenter telethon for heating assistance.

68 **Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to authorize the Town**
69 **Manager to apply for the United Way grant, and for any money received from that**
70 **grant to be deposited into the Keep The Heat On Fund.**

71 E. Harbor Committee Membership

72 There was a discussion of Harbor Committee membership. Mr. Smith reported that the
73 Harbor Committee was the one committee that was full and had one citizen interested in
74 serving. It was decided that Mr. Smith would reach out to members of the committee
75 who were less active in meeting attendance and gauge their level of interest in remaining
76 on the committee.

77 F. Habitat for Humanity Request

78 Mr. Smith presented a request from Rev. Steve Alspach on behalf of Habitat for
79 Humanity. He said Habitat had expressed an interest in acquiring a specific parcel of
80 town-owned property for the purpose of building two homes and then selling excess land
81 from the project. It was decided to hold the matter over until the next meeting to seek
82 Ms. Bradley's input.

83 12. Public Comment – Any Topic

84 There was no public comment.

85 13. Adjourn to Workshop

86 **Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to adjourn to workshop.**

87 The Select Board adjourned to workshop at 9:00 a.m.

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1. Select Board Member Concerns and Comments

There was discussion of the Town’s bidding policy.

2. Town Manager Concerns and Comments

Mr. Smith reminded the Select Board that they had not taken of their yearly stipend for their positions on the Select Board.

The time of 9 a.m. was agreed upon as the starting time for the June 18 Town Meeting.

3. Adjournment

Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to adjourn the workshop.

The workshop was adjourned at 9:22 a.m.