

Town of Stockton Springs  
Select Board – Morning Meeting  
September 26, 2022  
Minutes

1. Roll Call: Call to Order

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

Present: Marsha Shute, Betsy Bradley, Darren Shute.

Also Present: Mac Smith – Recording Secretary.

2. Adjustments to the Agenda

Mr. Smith suggested moving the items so that items with someone in attendance could go first. Mr. Smith also presented a quit-claim deed for the Board’s signature for Mr. Tom Ford, who had purchased a piece of the Town’s property during the last bid cycle.

3. Consideration of Application for Planning Board

**Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to appoint Mr. Thomas Finn as an alternate of the Stockton Springs Planning Board, with a term to end June 30, 2025.**

4. Broadband Update/Consideration of State of Maine Offer for Broadband

Mr. Smith updated the Board regarding the activities of the Winterport Broadband Committee, of which he is a member, representing Stockton. He said the committee would be approving a Request For Proposal at their meeting that evening, and that this RFP would be sent to the various internet service providers throughout the state. There was discussion of the offer by the State of Maine at the last meeting. Mr. Smith said he had invited the representative of the Maine Connectivity Authority to return to this meeting, but that he had not heard back. He again advised the Board continue with its chosen course and to stand behind the Memorandum of Understanding they had signed with Winterport. Mr. Shute asked about email sent from the state to the Select Board regarding the offer and why that email was not forwarded sooner. Mr. Smith said that he had already told the state that the Town was in a professional relationship with Winterport and Frankfort, and that the information was being presented now. Ms. Bradley said she was comfortable with the path that the broadband issue was taking.

35 5. EMA Equipment

36 Stockton Springs Emergency Management Agency Director Tom Moore was in  
37 attendance. There was discussion of the equipment needed for the upcoming October  
38 disaster exercise, and beyond. There was discussion that the EMA account still has  
39 roughly \$500 for equipment.

40 **Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to authorize the purchase of**  
41 **the remaining equipment, as agreed to by the Board, not to exceed \$1,200, and to be**  
42 **taken from the ARPA funding.**

43 6. Town-Owned Real Estate

44 The list of town-owned real estate was reviewed. There was discussion of the two  
45 properties donated by the Stowers family in 2006. Mr. Smith pointed out problems with  
46 the properties, including right-of-way issues, wording in correspondence relating to  
47 conservation and recreation, and the wording on the warrant question in 1942, when one  
48 of the access roads to the property was discontinued. He thanked Steve Clark, who was  
49 in attendance, for the copy of the West deed with Mr. Clark had emailed to the Town  
50 Office. Mr. Smith said he would continue to work on the questions, and that the Board  
51 could consider the two properties at a future time.

52 **Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to authorize the following**  
53 **town-owned real estate parcels be put out to public bid, with minimum bids where**  
54 **applicable:**

55 **R2-087 (Old County Road), 1.2 acres, landlocked;**

56 **R3-019 (US Rt. 1), 60 acres, minimum bid;**

57 **R4-070 (Church Street and Bangor Road), 0.5 acres, will be treated as landlocked;**

58 **R6-141 (Cape Jellison), 17 acres, minimum bid;**

59 **R6-145 (Cape Jellison), 0.12 acres;**

60 **R6-165 (Cape Jellison), .08;**

61 **U1-033 (Sandy Point and Perkins Road), 0.2 acres;**

62 **U34-041 (Church Street), 0.09 acres;**

63 **U8-025 (Middle Street), 0.4 acres.**

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7. Minutes: September 12, 2022 Morning Meeting and Workshop

**Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2022 Morning Meeting and Workshop as corrected.**

8. Accounts Payable/Payroll

**Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve Payroll Warrants #16 and #17.**

9. Treasurer’s Report

Mr. Smith presented the Treasurer’s Report. He explained that the reason the trash costs were higher than average on the previous month’s report was due to one of the fees being paid in a lump sump.

10. Correspondence

Mr. Smith presented an email from resident Terri Bruce, regarding unleashed dogs, and one person in particular. It was decided that Mr. Smith would talk to the Stockton Springs Police Department about the specific individual, and that the Board would continue to monitor the situation.

11. Public Comment – Any Topic

EMA Director Tom Moore discussed training opportunities and requirements through Waldo County EMA.

12. Adjourn to Workshop

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

The Select Board adjourned to workshop at 8:51 p.m.

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1. Present: Marsha Shute, Betsy Bradley, Darren Shute.

Also Present: Mac Smith – Town Manager.

2. Select Board Member Concerns and Comments

Ms. Bradley asked about having the tree trucks park elsewhere for Trunk or Treat on Halloween evening.

3. Town Manager Concerns and Comments

Mr. Smith mentioned the following items:

He said he expected short-term rentals would be discussed at the following meeting and that he would start assembling material on the subject.

He said he expected the wastewater offer from the Town of Searsport to be discussed at the first meeting in November.

He said the proposed battery storage ordinance was still being investigated.

He answered a question from the previous meeting regarding how town-owned real estate came to be purchased by the RV park.

4. Adjournment

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

The workshop was adjourned at 8:53 a.m.