

Minutes for the Dallas Plantation

Board of Assessors

Tuesday October 18, 2022

Assessors Present: Linda Jones and Mark Bridges

Public Present: Pam White

Pam presented the Board with two Mil Rate options due to a change in wording from Maine Revenue instructions. 17.34 reflects the actual Maine Revenue Sharing funds on hand, 17.32 reflects anticipated funds as suggested by the State. After consulting with Maine Revenue, Pam was advised either figure could be used. The Plantation has in the past used the actual rather than anticipated amount. Linda proposed we continue to use known amounts; Mark seconded.

Acceptance of Minutes October 4, 2022: Linda moved to accept as written; Mark seconded; 2-0

Tax Collector: Information to be included on 2022 Tax Bill reviewed. Sheila will add Town Office phone number and website given space is available.

Treasurer: Bills to be paid reviewed. Warrant signed.

Ongoing Business

Town House: Proposed 2023 State Valuations reviewed for Dallas Plantation. State has proposed Dallas Plantations State Valuation at \$156,050,000.00.

Katrina attended Voter Registration and Title 21-A training in Augusta in preparation for the November 8th election. Ballot clerks have been scheduled to work on that day.

Mark brought to the board's attention that CMP installed new pole #38 but has not taken the old pole down. Katrina will contact CMP to inquire if the old pole will be removed by CMP or if the town is responsible.

Driveway and Building Permit Non-Compliance: On behalf of the board Linda has made a request that LUPC, MDOT, and DHHS work together to include building permit # on applications in conjunction with each.

Board given driveway permits for Map 11 Lot 27H and Map 004 Lot 29. Mark will view sites and give feedback at the next Assessor's meeting.

Emergency Manager Job Description: File job description.

Maintenance Contractors:

1. Dead Trees Near Parking: Mark will remove trees.
2. Cemetery Fence to be Painted: AJ Elmes, owner of Elmes Property Management contacted and will provide a quote to the town.

Annual Property Tax Letter: Letter reviewed. Board agreed not to include information on Fidium Fiber since the company has not done a press release. Information on the new Tax Stabilization program for the 65+ community added.

Summer Roads: Mark plans to fill potholes this weekend. Concerns on the state of Harold Ross Road after last week's rain discussed. Dependent on weather conditions Mark will continue to fill potholes or will use the truck blade to even out the road surface.

Linda followed up with MDOT about discussed maintenance to be completed on Dallas Hill Rd. MDOT stated the maintenance will not happen this year. After board discussion Linda will reach out to ask if they can at the very least address the pavement that is particularly broken up on the edges of the road within the travel lane.

Saddleback Mountain Road: A delay in the Wright-Pierce invoice for September addressed, Jeffery Preble will request a read receipt to ensure invoices are delivered via email. Linda communicated with Jeffery to clarify how invoices are received.

On-going concerns from the crew working on the Saddleback Road include drivers speeding through work zones, which is unsafe for the crew and causing a wash board effect on the work being completed. Another major concern is disregard for the traffic lights.

LUPC-Rangeley Plan Review: Linda was contacted by Rangeley Town Manager, Joe Roach who proposed a quarterly meeting take place in mid-November. Linda asked that the other local Plantations have the opportunity for input on the date and time. She also inquired on the agenda.

Broadband Update: Awaiting update.

Meeting: Next Assessors Meeting is scheduled for November 1, 2022 at 6:00 PM.

Motion: Mark motioned to adjourn meeting at 7:07 PM.

Second: Linda seconded.

Action: Meeting adjourned at 7:07 PM.

Minutes: Taken by Katrina Gacki