

# Minutes for the Dallas Plantation Meeting

Tuesday August 08, 2023

**Public to Speak:** N/A

**Acceptance of Minutes:** July 25, 2023, Linda motioned to accept, Mark seconded, unanimous.

**Tax Collector:**

- Property Tax Stabilization Program: The board will include an update on the Property Tax Stabilization Program in the 2023 Tax Letter. The State of Maine has discontinued the program after this year.
- TRIO-Gemini/Back up: Sheila spoke with TRIO and found that they are no longer backing up the data. The Board Reviewed vendor pricing from TRIO (Gemini), Carbonite, and API. Patricia motioned to hire API for back up services. Linda seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Katrina will speak with API and get this set up.

**Treasurer:** Warrant items reviewed and signed.

- Franklin County Tax: Dallas Plantation saw a 37% increase in the Franklin County Tax compared to last year. Linda Dexter provided the board with different options on how to pay for the increase: raise the full amount or take x amount from surplus upon voter approval. The board voted unanimously to raise the full amount.
- Katrina will speak with the Franklin County Clerk to inquire about getting a copy of the Franklin County Budget.

## On-Going Business

Town House:

- Special Town Meeting
  - BOA reviewed and signed the warrant for the Special Town Meeting and the postcard notifying voters.
- Quarterly Meeting/ Fall 2023: On-going.

Notice of Violation/Corrective Action: Picked up from meetings this past Spring. The Board of Assessors will follow up.

Franklin County Emergency Management:

- FEMA Meeting- Aug 15<sup>th</sup>: Tuesday August 15<sup>th</sup> members from FEMA and MEMA will be meeting at the Dallas Plantation Town Office to discuss possible BRIC grant opportunities. Katrina will post on the website and at the Town Office.

Maintenance Contractors:

- Cemetery Fence work has not begun.
- The Town House is being painted.
- George Crosson is working on locating where to procure the materials for the Truck Garage Door project.

Summer Roads:

- Linda will keep in touch with Gerard about liquid calcium. If the town is unable to make arrangements to acquire liquid calcium by the end of the week, Mark will spread calcium from the sand/salt shed.
- Steve Morrill will look at the ditch at the corner of Saddleback Mountain Road and Dallas Hill Road to check drainage.
- The Board of Assessors accepted Mark Bridges resignation as Road Foreman.

Parking-Saddleback Mountain Road: Mark met with James Quimby and Jared Emerson from Saddleback Mountain to discuss parking on the road edges during the winter months. Item to be continued.

Saddleback Mountain Road: Waiting on the final bill for the gravel that was laid, and the final design from Wright-Pierce. Katrina will send the last Pike invoice to Wright-Pierce for review upon acquisition.

LUPC:

- LUPC Office Space: Will discuss if the endeavor is successful and continues.
- STR: On-going.

Maine High Peaks-National Wildlife Refuge: On-going.

**Other:** Special Town Meeting to be held Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at 5:30 PM followed by the regularly scheduled Board of Assessors Meeting.

**Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm.