

Dallas Plantation Assessors Meeting

Tuesday September 17, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm.

In attendance: Linda Jones, Patricia Ellis, Assessors; Katrina Gacki, Clerk; Judith Leadley, Mark Bridges, public.

Public to Speak: None.

Acceptance of Minutes: PEllis motioned to accept September 3rd meeting minutes as written, seconded by LJones. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer:

- Bills reviewed and paid.
- CD will mature on October 7th. Katrina will provide the board with current rates at the October 1 meeting.

On-Going Business

Town House:

- Assessor Absence due to Webinar Training: Linda Caspar was not present for this evening's meeting as she was attending an Elected Officials webinar presented by Maine Municipal Association.
- Plowing Saddleback Mountain Road: Tabled until more information collected. Katrina will ask Sandy River Plantation what they paid Saddleback last winter. Dallas Plantation's seasonal plow driver, David Duchesne, will be asked for his input.
- Spruce Circle Townhouse meeting space: the board discussed Scott Remillard's inquiry if property owners on Spruce Circle could use the Townhouse as a meeting space to discuss their road. The board agreed if a meeting took place during office hours this would be fine.
- Renewable Energy Equipment Reimbursement: \$12,727.00 received from the state as reimbursement from the solar field located on Saddleback Mountain. Katrina will ask Pam White, Assessing Agent, what the process is for the Plantation to receive these funds.
- Absentee Drop Box: The State of Maine offered free absentee drop boxes. Dallas Plantation will receive one and the board will discuss installation upon receipt.
- General Assistance: The board reviewed and signed the updated appendices for the General Assistance Ordinance.

- BMV: 1 hour training required through BMV for the new pine tree plates that will replace the chickadee plates beginning in May of 2025. The board approved Katrina to attend the webinar training on September 26th from 1-2pm.
- Follow-up Quarterly Regional Meeting: The meeting was well attended. Dallas Plantation will work on an interlocal agreement for animal control officer, Ryan Thompson who is serving five municipalities: Dallas, Sandy River, Rangeley, and Lincoln Plantation as well as the town of Rangeley. The interlocal agreement will address training costs and holding space for loose dogs.
- Benjamin Godsoe, Planning Manager with LUPC will provide information on other towns who have organized a regional code enforcement.

Garage:

- Truck Garage Lights: Katrina will reach out to electricians Sam Loud and Scott Ivers for quotes on UFO High Bay lights.
- Pre-buy Diesel: requested information from S-K Quality Fuel for pre-buy or lock in pricing for on-road diesel for the plow truck and garage. Not yet received.

Summer Roads:

Calcium Purchase: Kutting Edge spread calcium on Harold Ross Road and Dallas Hill Road after Steve Morrill's crew graded. The board unanimously approved the purchase of additional calcium in the form of 2k pound super bags through Paris Farmers Union upon confirmation from Kutting Edge on the amount required to spread calcium on all the roads after the last grading is completed.

LUPC:

- Subdivision List: No update.
- Building Permits Reviewed:
 - Map 2 Lot 93: Utility Line Permit
- Paul Packard-Ferguson looking into septic on Camp Waya Awi Road, map 13 lot 13, after concerns vocalized that the septic may not be adequate.

Other: Katrina will review recent building permits to verify what has been approved by LUPC on Camp Waya Awi Road. It was brought to the board's attention that there is a lot of building happening on that road without posted permits.

Mark Bridges inquired what the cost was for Kutting Edge to spread calcium. The bill has not been received. Mark asked who mowed the sides of the roads and which roads were mowed. Kutting Edge was hired, and mowing took place on Harold Ross Road and Saddleback Mountain Road.

Adjourn: PELLIS motioned to adjourn at 6:36 pm, LJONES seconded.