

JEFFERSON SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 27, 2025

Present: Pamela Grotton, Robert Clark, Jr., and Claudia Orff-Reed

Meeting Called to Order: 4:56 pm

Meeting Minutes Approved: January 13, 2025 (3-0)

Handouts:

ALEWIFE BIDS:

- The bids were opened:
 - Benjamin Weeks – 40% payment to the Town of the total yearly gross revenue.
 - Jason T. Weeks – 40.5% payment to the Town of the total selling price.
 - Richard Hatch – 33% payment to the Town of \$43/bushel (3 bushels per crate, \$129/crate).
 - Grotton & Sons – 35% payment to the Town of the total revenue.
- A motion was made to hold onto and read all the paperwork that was submitted with the bids before making a final determination to award the contract – seconded. (3-0)

CAPE HILL CANNABIS PERMIT – SCOTT BANKS:

- A motion was made to approve the Cape Hill Cannabis permit – seconded. (3-0)
- The Select Board signed the Town of Jefferson permit, the State of Maine Local Authorization form, and the Town of Jefferson Business Operations permit.

PLANNING BOARD:

- Bill Farren was in attendance with updates on 99 Sunset Park.
 - The Colvin's submitted an after-the-fact tree cutting permit application, in it they requested to cut two trees down on their property. The cut down 14 trees plus there was extensive bush removal.
 - The shed was not a replacement shed because the original shed was located on a different lot from the newly constructed shed.
 - The Select Board requested copies of the permit application, the tree cutting application and the accompanying pictures for review.
 - Pam to contact Collin at the DEP for guidance on the continuing process in determining the fines, etc.

LOCAL FOOD AND COMMUNITY SELF-GOVERNANCE ORDINANCE – JON OLSEN:

- A motion was made to approve submitting the Local Food and Community Self-Governance Ordinance to go before the Town for a vote at the Annual Town Meeting – seconded. (3-0)

ROAD COMMISSIONER:

- The cutting back the brush work on Hodgkins Hill Road has been completed.
- North Mountain Road – there was an early-stage discussion on paving the road in 2025.

ESTATE OF ROSA SINCLAIR:

- The new property owner was identified as Mark Grimel.
- The Road Commissioner will take some pictures of where he would like the turnaround to be and where he'd like the gravel place.
- Lynne to send a letter to the new homeowner requesting permission to create the turnaround on their property and enclosing the pictures.

TOWN CLERK APPOINTMENT PAPERS:

- The Select Board signed the appropriate appointment papers for the new clerk.

TRANSFER STATION CONTRACT:

- The Select Board signed the new Transfer Station contract.

COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PARTNERSHIP – KATHRYN FERENCE:

- Kathryn Ference was not in attendance.
- The Select Board has not yet read the information supplied at the last Select Board meeting by Kathryn Ference.
- Discussion has been tabled pending review of the information.

The Select Board entered an executive session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S. §405(6)(A) at 5:55 pm.

The Select Board ended the executive session at 6:49 pm.

Approved the Town Expense Warrant in the amount of \$62,311.04.

The Select Board meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Pamela Hottel
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Claudia Duff-Read