

JEFFERSON SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 24, 2025

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

Meeting Called to Order: 5:01 pm

Meeting Minutes Approved: February 11, 2025 (3-0)

Handouts:

ESTATE OF ROSA SINCLAIR:

- Claudia contacted Mark Grmel about putting gravel down on a section of his property for a turnaround for the plows. Claudia received a text back from Mark stating that he did not want the gravel turnaround on his property because he has plans for the property. He agreed to allow the plows to use his driveway to turn around for now.

RICHAD PARLIN:

- Claudia spoke with Richard Parlin and let him know that he would need to *Separate* combine the properties *for the Deed* and file it with the Lincoln County Registry of Deeds.

CAPE HILL CANNABIS, LLC:

- The permit was reviewed.
- A motion was made to approve the renewal application – seconded. (3-0)
- The application and certificate of operation were signed.

ALEWIFE CONTRACT:

- Jason weeks was in attendance.
- Jason indicated that he had spoken with a lawyer at which time Pam asked him if he was represented by a lawyer. His reply was no.
- He requested a copy of the Select Board meeting minutes for the date the Alewife contract was awarded.
- Robert indicated that he had spoken with Richard Hatch who stated that he was not going to give anyone permission to fish from his property. This would result in Jason needing to find a new location from which to fish. Robert then tried to contact Jason several times to see if he had a new location but never received a reply.
- Jason stated that his phone had died.
- Robert continued to explain the process of how the contract had been awarded. Claudia added that she preferred to give the contract to a Town of Jefferson resident.
- Jason then asked if the Grotton's who received the contract were any relation to the Grotton on the Select Board. The Select Board replied yes and duly noted that, as indicated in the minutes, Pam abstained from discussion and voting on the awarding of the Alewife contract.
- Jason inquired about appealing the decision. The Select Board stated that there was no appeals process.
- The Select Board reviewed the Alewife contract to Grotton & Sons, LLC.
 - They made a change as to when to bring in and record each week's harvest, they are changing the day and time from Thursdays at 5:00 pm to Mondays at 6:00 pm.

DOT PROJECTS:

- Maine DOT sent notification of the work they will be doing in 2025 on Route 17 & 32. They sent an agreement to be signed that would allow their trucks, that may be over the weight limit, to pass on Jefferson Town roads.
- A motion was made to sign the agreement – seconded. (3-0)

ROAD COMMISSIONER:

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- During the Budget Committee meeting a new salt source was mentioned by Sheridan Bond, the Select Board will look into it.
- Discussion on when to post the roads took place and further discussion will take place at the next meeting.
- Claudia received a request from Sheridan Bond to have his road repaved, further discussion to take place at a later date.

APPOINTMENT FORMS:

- The Select Board signed the appointment forms for Myra Lane to become Deputy Treasurer and Brenda Williams to be Deputy Clerk.

U.S. CELLULAR:

- Lynne will reach out to Kristen at U.S. Cellular to have them submit a proposal for the next land lease.

Approved the Town Expense Warrant in the amount of \$134,678.08.

The Select Board meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Pamela J. Holton
Polly Clark
Claudia Duff-Read