

# JEFFERSON SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 23, 2025

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

Meeting Called to Order: 5:04 pm

Meeting Minutes Approved: April 23, 2025 (3-0)

Handouts: U.S. Cellular Draft Lease

## APPLICATION FOR ON-PREMISES BEER, WINE & SPIRITS FOR DAMARISCOTTA LAKE

### FARM:

- Questions and comments:
  - Will she be on the premises for each event?
  - The Select Board would like the event hours given to the Town and the Fire Department for each event.
  - Question 22 – they need to list the three churches, in addition to the school, that are nearby.

### REVALUATION CONTRACT:

- Lynne has made corrections to the contract because the numeric and alpha dollar amounts did not match.
- The contract was signed by all three members of the Select Board.

### ROAD COMMISSIONER:

- Jeff Jewett contacted Wayne about fixing the culverts near his house – the culvert is on the Town's right of way – Claudia will contact Darin and ask the Fire Department to flush it out.
- River Hill Road – Wayne stated that there were quite a few potholes in need of repair.
- Hodgkins Hill Road – Peggy Hodgkins called about fixing culverts:
  - Wayne will check out the one on the road.
  - She is responsible for the one on her driveway, the Town put it in, but the maintenance is the responsibility of the homeowner.
- Posted Roads – a motion was made to take down the road weight limit postings – seconded (3-0)
- Valley Road – Wayne has recommended ditching and patching
- Egypt Road – put out to bid the overlay paving project.
  - 1-inch thickness overlay on Egypt Road running from the Alna town line to Route 215 (approximately 2.6 miles) and to tie in all driveways and entrances.
- Salt Shed – Wayne will fix the holes in the salt shed over the summer.

### SUPPLEMENTAL TAXES:

- The Select Board signed the Supplemental Tax Certificate and Warrant.

### CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:

- The Lincoln County Sheriff's Office contacted Donald wanting him to go and inspect the property at 630 Gardiner Road (Map 027 Lot 004-1) to have the place condemned. The Sheriff's Office has been continually removing squatters from the property.
  - Lynne to contact MMA and set up a meeting for Monday, 04/28/2025, and she and Donald can talk with MMA to determine what level of responsibility the CEO has in the process.
  - Pam questioned whether condemning the building would actually keep the squatters out.
- Donald has requested that the building and plumbing permits be put online in TRIO to make for easier access. Discussion was had about starting with the most recent and then moving back in time through the rest. Lynne to contact Waldoboro and Bristol to get information since both towns are currently doing this.
- Donald received a complaint about a mooring on Damariscotta Lake and its placement. Robert gave Donald the name and number of the Game Warden (Will Schuman) to call and have the placement verified. The complaint stated that it was not properly placed and that it was an eyesore.
- Pam had an inquiry about whether the Amish had obtained a building permit for the massive house and business building going up on Route 17 – Donald will check into it.

U.S. CELLULAR CONTRACT:

- The Select Board will take home the contract to review it for the next meeting.
- Lynne will contact attorneys to find someone to review the contract.

SOLAR PANELS – COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL:

- Next agenda, review the information Bill Farren sent about putting the commercial and residential solar information on the building permit application.

The Select Board entered Executive Session at 6:07 pm for personnel matters 1 M.R.S §405(6)(A).

The Select Board exited the Executive Session at 6:42 pm and no votes were taken.

Approved the Town Expense Warrant in the amount of \$82,743.48.

The Select Board meeting adjourned at 6:42 pm.

*Pamela J. Horton*  
*Rd M*  
*Claudia J. Reed*