

Board of Selectmen Meeting
Monday, October 7, 2024
6:00pm

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Kurt Youland and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Present: Steve Maheu, Kevin Nichols, Kurt Youland, Warren Hood, Angelo Terreri, Kurt Schaub, Lisa Bennett, and Nick Merry. Guest: Jenn Maheu, Jennifer Talbot, Jim Talbot, Dave Rodgers and Jeremy Turner.
- 2. Adjustments:** None
- 3. New Business:**
 - 3-1: Leavitt Institute Furnace:** Kurt Schaub was advised that the furnace at the Leavitt Institute needs replacing. Steve Maheu, Jenn Maheu and Kurt Schaub met with the technician to review the situation. Technician Mike stated a lot of corrosion, can get it to work but the question is for how long and do you want to be replacing during the winter. Ken Gilbert also looked at it and felt the same as Mike. Suggestions of installing two units that alternate unless temperatures are very low then the units would work together. Discussion also was had whether to stay will oil or convert to propane. Motion and second to get quotes for a design build for both propane and oil, unanimous vote.
 - 3-2: Marijuana Business License Application – High Tide Edibles – Medical Retail Store:**
 - 3-2a: Review Application:** This store license and the Manufacturing Facility were renewed earlier this year, but that action was late, and their licenses were issued retroactively to last November. This process will renew their license through November 2025.
 - 3-2b: Public Hearing:** Open public hearing, no comments from public, closed public hearing.
 - 3-2c: Action as Warranted:** Motion and second to approve, unanimous vote.
 - 3-3: Marijuana Business License Application – High Tide Edibles – Medical Manufacturing Facility:**
 - 3-3a: Review Application:** Reviewed the application, no issues.
 - 3-3b: Public Hearing:** Opened public hearing, no comments from the public, closed public hearing.
 - 3-3c: Action as Warranted:** Motion and second to approve license, unanimous vote.
 - 3-4: General Assistance Maximums for 2024-2025:**
 - 3-4a: Review new amounts:** This is the annual General Assistance hearing during which the new maximums/limits are considered and adopted. This year's figures represent an increase of approximately 4.1 percent.
 - 3-4b: Public Hearing:** Opened public hearing, no comments from public, closed public hearing.
 - 3-4c: Action as Warranted:** Motion and second to approve, 4 in favor, 1 abstained.
- 4. Old Business/Projects:**
 - 4-1: Leavitt Institute Roof:** The project is complete with the exception of the railings on the round portion of the building. Apparently, the

fabricator cut the railings at the wrong angle. The flagpole also needs to be remounted. **4-2: Boofy Quimby Hall Building and Sign:** the new sign was installed on Tuesday and looks fantastic. Kurt Schaub met with Kelvin Youland and he needed some additional information from Tom Perkins relative to the limit of the firewall. Discussion was had about the possibility of moving the truck out of BQMC and to Central Station and adding two bays and using hall for functions and meetings only. Suggestions for getting a design build to rework BQMC without the Fire Station. **4-3: Transfer Station:** Still in a holding pattern on adjoining land. **4-4: Nezinscot River Dam:** The vegetation that was cited by the state inspectors has been cleared off and removed from the site.

- 5. Regular Reports:**
 - 5-1: Fire Department:** The department responded to 50 calls for the month of September, bringing the total number of calls to 372 for the year. E-2 is back from the pump rebuild. Crews met with DEP and acquired the building at 108 Main Street to conduct a training burn.
 - 5-2: Rescue Department:** The department responded to 101 calls for the month of September bringing the total number of calls to 928 for the year. Staff have been training on the Cardiac Monitors. Mitch from Stryker has serviced most of the equipment. On August 28th the department had a code save and Chief Bennett would like to give kudos to Austin Culleton, Nick Merry, Steve Bennett and Jordan Allen.
 - 5-3: Town Manager:**
 - 5-3a: Financial Statements:** All looked good.
 - 5-3b: TIF Meeting:** Kurt Schaub trying to put together a meeting to review information on a possible TIF for the purpose of stabilizing the property tax rate once construction of the Turner Meadow solar project materializes. Two potential dates are Tuesday, October 15th and Monday, October 28th. October 15th works for the board; Kurt Schaub will set up the meeting.
 - 5-3c: Riverlands Park Letter:** A letter was mailed to the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry related to the condition of the trails in Riverlands Park. Copies of the letter were also sent to Jeff Timberlake and Joshua Morris.
 - 5-3d: Tax Acquired Property Policy:** Kurt Schaub attended a workshop on this, and the rules are very complex. He has a draft which still needs some refining, the point of which is to provide a roadmap of steps to be taken when and if the town finds itself in possession of property due to unpaid property taxes.
- 6. Consent Agenda:** Motion and second to approve consent agenda, unanimous vote.
- 7. Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca M. Allaire, LCC