TOWN OF EAGLE LAKE

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN’S MEETING**

**November 18, 2020**

1. The meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Arthur Carroll at5:30 P.M.

 The Board members present included: Arthur Carroll, Raymond Saucier, Brian Devoe,

and via Zoom, Wendy Dube.

Others in attendance were: John Sutherland, Town Manager; Deputy Clerk Denise Martin; Deputy Clerk Apryl Gagnon; Eagle Lake Fire Chief Rene St. Onge, and Eagle Lake Assistant Fire Chief; Brandon L’Italien

2. WELCOME NEW SELECTMAN BRIAN DEVOE

 The Board welcomed recently elected Brian Devoe to the Board of Selectmen.

 3. PUBLIC HEARING FOR LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL FOR AMERICAN

 LEGION SMART/SOUCY POST #176

 Arthur opened the Public Hearing at 5:30 p.m. Arthur asked if anyone had any

 questions or concerns regarding the Liquor License Renewal. No questions or

 concerns were noted. Hearing none, Arthur closed the Public Hearing at 5:33 p.m.

 Board Chair Arthur Carroll opened the November 18, 2020 Eagle Lake Board of

 Selectmen’s Meeting at 5:33 p.m.

 4. VOTE ON LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL

 Arthur asked for a motion on the renewal application. Moved by Raymond Saucier to

 approve the Liquor License Renewal for American Legion Smart / Soucy Post #176,

 seconded by Brian Devoe.

 Vote: Unanimously in favor.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

 No public comments.

 6. TOWN MANAGER’S REPORT UPDATES

1. Micro Loan

Accounts are current.

A new application has been approved for Eagle Lake Grocery and the owner has picked up the check.

1. Pond Brook Estates

Apartment 3 has a new tenant.

1. Roads

Phil Corriveau has completed the upgrade to the dirt portion of the road on Sly Brook Road.

1. NASWA

Shane Wishart is working on changing the switches on the balers. John reported that there is no increase in the projected NASWA Budget for the upcoming year. Roger Desjardins has stepped down from the NASWA Board due to health issues and Joel Bossie is the new Board member representing New Canada.

 e. Eagle Lake Fire Department

 There was 1 call this month for a furnace malfunction in Winterville. Fire Chief,

 Rene St. Onge has canceled any and all trainings at this time due to possible

 exposure of COVID-19. The new paging system update was started but has not

 been completed.

 f. Town Facilities

 The new town signs have been installed throughout the community. There are two

 located on U.S. Route at the town limits, on Sly Brook Road, Devoe Brook Road,

 and at the Town Office. They are nice looking signs and we have received positive

 feedback from community members.

 The Christmas lights were put up at the Memorial Park. There were some electrical

 issues that were resolved by Versant and local electrician Shane Wishart.

 The Christmas wreaths have also been put up on the telephone poles.

g. Junk Yard Update

 Bruce Dube informed us that his metal pile has been picked up by Gallant. He only

 has two cars left. Bruce Dube would like to apply for a metal recycling permit from

 the town. John will follow up with any and all state statutes for such a permit and

 update the Board on what he finds.

 Maurice Pelletier is working on selling his inventory and is planning to call Gallant

 and have his metal collected.

 Ludmila Kalaydzhan at 3401 Aroostook Road is currently going through

 Bankruptcy and due to the bankruptcy, the Town cannot pursue any Legal action at

 this time.

 h. Town Forest Harvest Update

 Michael Rochester states that TNT is focusing on the road portion of the

 Timber Harvest before the weather gets too bad and is about 15-20% complete.

 They may have to import some material to finish the road.

7. MONTHLY FINCIALS -October 2020

 Review monthly financials for October

1. Eagle Lake Bank Reconciliations

Moved by Wendy Dube to accept the Bank Reconciliations for the Town of Eagle Lake, and Pond Brook Estates for October 2020, seconded by Raymond Saucier.

Vote: Unanimously in favor.

1. Pond Brook Bank Reconciliation

See above a.

c. Sample Check Audit

Moved by Brian Devoe to accept Sample Check Audit for October 2020 for the Town of Eagle Lake and Pond Brook Estates, seconded by Wendy Dube.

Vote: Unanimously in favor.

d. Sign Warrants

 Moved by Wendy Dube to sign the warrants, seconded by Raymond Saucier.

Vote: Unanimously in favor.

 e. Microloan

Moved by Raymond Saucier to accept the Microloan Reconciliation, seconded by

Brian Devoe.

Vote: Unanimously in favor.

The Board requested to group the Bank Reconciliation, Pond Brook Reconciliation, and Micro Loan Reconciliation together.

8. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF October 21, 2020 SELECTMEN’S MEETING

 The Board requested Eagle Lake Fire Chief Rene St. Onge be added to the “others in attendance”

 and add that he is the Eagle Lake Fire Chief when discussing him for the first time.

Moved by Wendy Dube to accept the Meeting Minutes from October 21, 2020 as amended,

 seconded by Raymond Saucier.

 Vote: Unanimously in favor.

 APPROVE THE MINUTES OF October 28, 2020 SPECIAL SELECTMEN”S MEETING

 Moved by Raymond Saucier to accept the Meeting Minutes from October 28, 2020, seconded

 by Brian Devoe.

 Vote: Unanimously in favor.

9. REVIEW AND CONSIDER BIDS FOR A NEW PUMPER/TANKER

 The bids for the new Pumper / Tanker came in as follows:

 Dingy Machine Company 3,000/gal Pumper BID $288,277.00

 Greenwood 2,500/gal Pumper BID $295,000.00

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Bulldog Fire Apparatus 3,000/gal Pumper BID $345,261.70

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KT Fire Equipment International 3,000/gal Pumper BID $348,782.56

KT Fire Equipment Freightliner 3,000/gal Pumper BID $357,766.00

Midwest Fire 3,000/gal Pumper BID $299,415.00

Town Manager, John Sutherland and Fire Chief, Rene St. Onge will review each BID and provide

 their recommendations to the Board.

10. SPIRIT OF AMERICA AWARD

 The Eagle Lake Board of Selectmen presented Eagle Lake Fire Department with the Spirit of

 America Award for their dedication to our community. Eagle Lake Fire Chief Rene St. Onge

 accepted the award and thanked the Board for their support.

Moved by Brian Devoe to present Eagle lake Fire Chief Ren St. Onge, and the Eagle Lake Fire Department with the Spirit of America Award for their efforts and dedication to the citizens of Eagle Lake, seconded by Raymond Saucier.

Vote: Unanimously in favor.

11. LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

The Eagle Lake Board of Selectmen discussed sending letters of appreciation to Michelle Raymond and Louise Fournier. Both are former Board members who the Board wished to recognize for their years of service to the town.

 Moved by Raymond Saucier to sign and present the letters of appreciation to Michelle and

 Louise, seconded by Wendy Dube.

 Vote: Unanimously in favor.

12. WINTER RECREATION ACTIVITIES FOLLOW-UP

Winter recreation activities at the Skating Rink will be postponed until further noticed due

to the risk of exposure of COVID-19. The Ski Trails and Snow Shoes Trails will continue to be

available to the public.

 Moved by Brian Devoe to accept the postponement for the use of the Skating Rink until further

 notice, seconded by Raymond Saucier.

Vote: Unanimously in favor

13. OTHER BUSINESS

 The Board discussed the need for a Special Town Meeting to authorize purchasing and financing the new fire truck. A Public Hearing will be held prior to the Special Town Meeting. Tuesday,

 December 8, 2020 was discussed as the date for the Public Hearing and Tuesday, December 15,

 2020 was discussed as a possible date for the Special Town Meeting.

The Board also discussed the opportunity to use Daniel Picard for his knowledge and the

possibility to start an Economic Development Committee. John will reach out to Daniel Picard.

14. ADJOURN

 Moved by Wendy Dube to Adjourn, seconded by Raymond Saucier.

 Vote: Unanimously in favor.