TOWN OF EAGLE LAKE

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN’S MEETING**

**November 17, 2021**

1. The meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Arthur Carroll at **5:50** P.M.

The Board members present included: Brian Devoe, Jennifer Dube, Arthur Carroll

and Wendy Dube. Raymond Saucier was present via Zoom.

Others in attendance were: Town Manager John Sutherland, Deputy Clerk

Apryl Gagnon, and Michael Cole

2. PUBLIC HEARING FOR LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL FOR M.J.s PUB AND GRUB

Public hearing opened at 5:50 p.m. by Arthur Carroll. Selectman Jennifer Dube announced

she had a conflict as the application is from her business. She recused herself from the

Selectmen’s table and sat herself as a member of the audience.

Jennifer Dube and Michael Cole brought in their Liquor License renewal application for

M.J.’s Pub & Grub for the Board to review and consider. The Board commented on the

positive impact that reopening the restaurant will have on the community. Board chair

Arthur Carroll asked if there were any additional comments to be made on this application.

Hearing none, he closed the public hearing. The Public Hearing was closed at 5:56 p.m.

3. VOTE ON LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL

Moved by Wendy Dube to approve the renewal for M.J.’s Pub & Grub Liquor License,

seconded by Brian Devoe.

Vote: Unanimously in favor.

4. TOWN MANAGER’S REPORT UPDATES

a. Micro Loan

We received payment for one account which was three dollars short and as a result

the account is still paid thru September instead of October.

John Saucier came in to fill out paperwork for his Miro Loan on November 12,

2021. His first payment for this loan will be January 1st 2022 and John Sutherland

informed him that because this date is a holiday that he could bring in his first

payment a week before or after this date.

All other micro loan accounts are up to date.

b. Pond Brook Estates

Chris is done in apartment 11, and John is looking for a new tenant to fill the

apartment. He has two good possibilities and is working on reference checks for

both applicants.

Jan Jandreau has been approved to receive rental assistance. This will make his

account current and he will be paid ahead until January 2022.

All other accounts are current.

c. Roads

The first part of the dirt portion of Sly Brook Road is rough and potholes are

accumulating. These potholes should be filled in before things freeze. John contacted

Reno Corriveau who stated that he could scrape the road with his tractor to fill these

potholes.

The Board discussed that when the town paid for grading of the road it had not been

graded with a grader and with the bid for Sly Brook Road grading in 2022 that it

should state the road will be graded with a grader before payment is made to the

contractor.

d. NASWA

NASWA had a visit from Mary Ann Remolador, who is the Assistant Director &

Event Organizer for the Northeast Recycling Council in Brattleboro, Vermont. John

has been working with Mary to identify markets for the glass collected at NASWA.

She has assisted NASWA in getting a company from New Brunswick to take the

glass that NASWA is collecting. They are not paying much, but NASWA is saving

$100.00 per ton by not sending it to the landfill. Mary is working with communities

in Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont to collect glass and remove it from the

waste stream.

e. Eagle Lake Fire Department

A certified letter was sent out to Patrick Mills outlining his suspension and the

meeting he will have with the officers of the Eagle Lake Fire Department to discuss

when and on what terms the officers of the Eagle Lake Fire Department may

recommend that he may be reinstated.

The Eagle Lake Fire Department had two calls this past month. One for a sprinkler

malfunction and the second was for a motor vehicle rollover on Soucy Hill.

Rene St. Onge, Fire Chief has informed John that he has four firefighters that have

been training for the firefighter 1 and 2 program. They have been working diligently

towards achieving their goal of becoming certified firefighters. The firefighters need

to be certified for building entry during a fire scene.

f. Junk Yard Update

John spoke with Detective Daniel Ames, Bureau of Motor Vehicles-Division of

Enforcement, Anti-theft and Regulations, and asked if he had a chance to review the

operations of Bruce Dube. John reminded Daniel that the Eagle Lake Board of

Selectmen are seeking to have Bruce comply with State of Maine statues and get the

proper license for his junkyard located at 3089 Aroostook Road. Bruce is

maintaining that he has a scrap metal operation and therefore he does not need a

permit from the Town of Eagle Lake. John informed Daniel of all the partial and

unlicensed vehicles that Bruce has on the property. John informed Daniel that he

feels that this is more of a junkyard operation. Daniel did stop by and look at Bruce’s

property and states that he will need to apply for a junkyard permit, or clean up the

area and only have scrap metal which means he has to get rid of all non-registered

cars.

5. MONTHLY FINANCIALS-October 2021

The Town of Eagle Lake had an employee that lost two checks which resulted in a

$34.00 canceled check fee per check. The Board discussed that John would need to write a

policy that indicates if a town employee loses their check, they will be responsible for the

cancelation fee of that check.

Review monthly financials for October

a. Bank Reconciliations; Including Pond Brook

b. Sample Check Audit

Moved by Wendy Dube to accept the monthly financials, Bank Reconciliations,

including Pond Brook Estates, and Sample Check Audit for October 2021, seconded

by Jennifer Dube.

Vote: Unanimously in favor.

c. Sign Warrants

Moved by Jennifer Dube to accept the Warrants for October 2021, seconded by

Brian Devoe.

Vote: Unanimously in favor.

d. Micro Loan

Moved by Wendy Dube to accept the Micro Loan Reconciliation for October 2021,

seconded by Brian Devoe.

Vote: Unanimously in favor.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comment.

7. REVIEW AND ACCEPT MINUTES:

October 20, 2021 BOARD OF SELECTMEN’S MEETING

November 9, 2021 PUBLIC HEARING

The Board reviewed the minutes of October 20 and November 9 and stated there are no

issues with either set of minutes. With no issues noted, Arthur asked for the Board to

consider a vote.

Moved by Brian Devoe to accept the Board of Selectman’s Meeting October 20, 2021

November 9, 2021 Meeting Minutes and November 9, 2021 Public Hearing Meeting,

seconded by Wendy Dube.

Vote: Unanimously in favor.

8. REVIEW AND CONSIDER AGREEMENT TO REGISTER VEHICLES FOR THE

TOWN OF WINTERVILLE

Wendy King from Bureau of Motor Vehicles informed John that the Town of Eagle Lake

has no written agreement with the Town of Winterville on file to collect their excise tax.

There are a number of Winterville residents that utilize the Town of Eagle Lake to register

their vehicles. We currently get the six-dollar agent fee for this.

Moved by Jennifer Dube to accept the Written Agreement between Town of Eagle Lake

and Winterville to collect excise tax for the town of Winterville, seconded by Wendy

Dube.

Vote: Unanimously in favor.

9. REVIEW AND CONSIDER WINTER RECREATION FEES

At a previous Board of Selectmen’s Meeting, the Board voted to have winter recreation.

The Board of Selectmen will have to decide if they wish to set user fees for non-Eagle Lake

residents.

Moved by Wendy Dube to accept the fees used in 2019 for non-Eagle Lake residents,

seconded by Brian Devoe.

Vote: Unanimously in favor.

10. REVIEW AND CONSIDER APPLICATION FOR AID TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT

John spoke with Eagle Lake Fire Chief Rene St. Onge in regards to the need for a

Firefighters grant. Rene states that there is a need for funding on turnout gear and updating

the SCBAs. Rene states that a complete set of turnout gear is $2,000 each. The SCBAs

units are not compatible with Fort Kent and there are a number of units out of service for a

number of issues. The ones that we have in service are getting older and at risk for

becoming obsolete.

Moved by Brian Devoe to proceed with the application for the Aid to Firefighters

grant, seconded by Jennifer Dube.

Vote: Unanimously in favor.

11 OTHER BUSINESS

John spoke with Aroostook County Assessor and Town of Eagle Lake Assessor Lewis

Cousins and he will be in Eagle Lake at the beginning of December to assess the personal

property at the camp grounds in our community.

John informed the Board that beginning in January we will be scheduling committee

meeting for the Road, Town Forest and Budget Committees

John discussed putting an ad in the Fort Kent Lions Club phone book. The Board agreed

to place the ad for the upcoming year. The cost is $ 200.

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12. ADJOURN

Moved by Wendy Dube to adjourn the Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m., seconded by Brian

Devoe.

Vote: Unanimously in favor