

**TOWN OF EAGLE LAKE
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
April 18, 2018
MJ's Pub & Grub – Liquor License Application**

The purpose of this public hearing is to hear from persons for/or against Board approval of a Liquor License Application submitted by MJ's Pub & Grub.

Present: Board of Selectmen members Michelle Raymond, Wendy Dube, Linda Allison and Louise Fournier. Others present included Jennifer Dube and Michael Cole, owners of MJ'S Pub & Grub, Girl Scout Troop #50 with troop leaders and parents, Town Manager, Sandra Fournier and Deputy Clerk, Leona Sifton.

Board Chair Michelle Raymond opened the hearing for discussion at 5:34 P.M. Charlene Gray and Morgan Wilson spoke in favor of approving the application. The Chair moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Louise Fournier. Hearing closed at 5:35 P.M.

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
Following Public Hearing
April 18, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Michelle Raymond at 5:36 P.M. Members present included Michelle Raymond, Linda Allison, Wendy Dube and Louise Fournier. Also present included Jennifer Dube and Michael Cole, owners of MJ'S Pub & Grub, Girl Scout Troop #50 with troop leaders and parents, Town Manager, Sandra Fournier and Deputy Clerk, Leona Sifton.

MJ's Pub & Grub Liquor License Application:

Motion by Wendy Dube, seconded by Linda Allison to approve the application for submission, by the owners, to the State of Maine Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages.

Vote: Motion voted on and unanimously approved.

Girl Scout Troop #50 Presentation:

Members of the troop want to plant flowers around the flag pole at the Town Office and the Municipal Park as a service project for their community. They read a poem written for the presentation and each girl showed a picture they had drawn and explained why they wanted to plant the flowers. Motion by Louise Fournier, seconded by Linda Allison to accept the offer from Girl Scout Troop #50 to plant flowers at the flag poles as requested.

Vote: Motion voted on and unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes of the March 21, 2018 Selectmen's Meeting:

It was moved by Linda Allison, seconded by Louise Fournier to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2018 board meeting as submitted.

Vote: Motion voted on and unanimously approved.

Financial Statements and Bank Reconciliations for month of March:

Town Manager Sandra Fournier presented financial statements to the Board of Selectmen. 30-Day notices will be mailed on Friday, April 20th representing unpaid 2017 taxes in the amount of \$117,000. Board reviewed and signed bank statements and followed six selected A/P checks thru reconciliation. Motion by Louise Fournier, seconded by Wendy Dube to accept financial statements and bank reconciliations for month of March as presented. Warrants reviewed and signed by board

Vote: Motion voted on and unanimously approved.

Town Manager’s Report:

Micro Loan – Tim Soucie, owner of CMT Trucking did not show up for the District Court hearing. The Town will now ask for a final judgement from the court. Sandra will clarify with legal what the next step is.

Pond Brook Estates – Sandra explained to the board that the Maine Municipal Bond Bank will not allow the loan to be paid early. The Town could sell the complex and set-up an escrow account to make future payments but must continue the scheduled payments including interest for the original term of the loan. The board asked Sandra to put together financial scenarios to show the impact to the Town if the complex is sold.

Road Committee – will meet in May to discuss projects for the 2018/19 fiscal year

Recreation Committee – preliminary discussion has begun to expand the search for an experienced Rec Coordinator for the summer program which will run half-days 8:00 am-noon Monday thru Friday.

School Board – will meet on Wednesday, May 2nd

Fire Department – The town has received notification that the FEMA grant for a new engine truck has been denied. Sandra will be meeting with Joella Theriault, NMDC grant writer, Chief Rene St.Onge and Chief Ed Endee from Fort Kent to work on ways to improve Eagle Lake’s application for the next open grant period in Fall 2018.

ELFD will be holding a steak/lobster feed in June, the Haunted Forest in the Fall, but will not be holding any Mud Bogs this year.

Planning Board – no update at this time

LED Street Light Program – Due to a lack of response, Eagle Lake has terminated its contract with Sewall Engineering. But, the Town has joined with other municipalities working with Paul Vessel at Real Term Energy on their LED program. Sandra will keep Board updated.

Industrial Park – Civil service notice was issued to Soucie Family Firewood giving them 30 days to pay their lease in full, plus all costs accrued by the Town.

Vote: No action required at this time.

Public Comments:

Jen Dube informed the Board about a crack in the water line on her property that has caused a sink hole in her driveway and causing water to flow into her basement. She was told by Eagle Lake Water & Sewer that the homeowner is responsible for paying the costs associated with fixing the water line. The Board asked Sandra to reach out to ELW&S and find out what part of the water lines is the responsibility of Eagle Lake Water and at what point in the line it becomes the responsibility of the homeowner to repair/replace lines. Sandra will notify Jen and will update the Board about what she discovers.

Sign Approve Abatement Certificates:

The Board signed the abatement certificates for Tom & Carol Pelletier and Dave Parent as approved at the March meeting.

Vote: No action required at this time.

Approve and Sign Veteran and Homestead Exemption Applications:

The Board reviewed the applications. Motion by Louise Fournier, seconded by Linda Allison to approve the Veteran Exemption application for Edgar Parent, deny the application submitted by Eric Shelton for cause, approve the Homestead Exemption applications for Tomas Granger, Jr., Michael Tardiff, Betty Pelletier, Raymond & Norma Brogan, Tony & Jossie Mazzarella, David & Patricia Dubois, Timothy Freeman, Susan & Kenneth Pratt, and, deny the application submitted by Lynne & Gerald Pelletier for cause.

Vote: Motion voted on and unanimously approved.

Discuss Maine Dept of Conservation & Forestry 5-Year Plan:

The Board discussed the state's plan to extend the dirt section of Sly Brook Road to the campsites (approx. 1 mile). Sandra to contact them to ask if they will hold a public hearing in Eagle Lake to allow the opportunity to discuss if/how this would benefit the community. Another part of their plan is to widen the trail to Deboullie to allow access by camper/trailers.

Vote: No action required at this time.

Review/Sign 2018/19 Aroostook County Tax Bill:

Motion by Louise Fournier, seconded by Linda Allison to sign the bill.

Vote: Motion voted on and unanimously approved.

2018 Spirit of America Volunteer Nominee:

The Board discussed possible nominees. Motion by Wendy Dube, seconded by Linda Allison to select a nominee and keep that name secret until the award is made at the annual town meeting or included in the annual town report.

Vote: Motion voted on and unanimously approved

Other Business:

Ambulance Service Inc – have informed the Town that due to a lack of adequate staffing, they will no longer be renting an ambulance bay from the Town. If at a later time they are able to staff an ambulance in Eagle Lake, they will reconsider the bay rental at that time.

Nomination Papers – deadline for submission is 4:30 P.M. on Friday, April 27th

Vote: No action required at this time.

Executive Session Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(D) – Labor Negotiations:

Motion by Wendy Dube, seconded by Louise Fournier to enter into executive session.

Time: 7:15 P.M.

Vote: Motion voted on and unanimously approved

Exit executive session. Time: 8:20 P.M.

Vote: No action required at this time.

It was moved by Linda Allison, seconded by Louise Fournier to adjourn. Time 8:21 P.M.

Respectfully
Submitted:

Leona Sifton
Deputy Clerk