

**TOWN OF PARIS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING**

**Monday July 13, 2015
PARIS FIRE DEPT - 7:00 pm**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order by the Chair of the Board.
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by the Town Manager.
3. Chairman's correspondence.
4. Consideration of the minutes of June 8th
5. Consideration of the following warrants: (5 min)

Accounts Payable Warrants: 112 (\$37,452.77) 114 (\$157,615.80) 2 (404,252.64)

Payroll Warrants: 111 (\$34,933.32) 113 (\$27,689.35) 1 (\$28,420.57)

6. Licenses:

- a. Consideration and Discussion for a Liquor License renewal for Smilin' Moose Publyk House and Tavern, 10 Market Square, South Paris, ME 04281.

7. *Town Manager's Update (5 min)*

- a. We have 264 liens that will be taken to the registry tomorrow. This number is down from last year.
- b. I approved an annual liquor license for McLaughlin Garden for special events.
- c. A combined amount of 2,539 tax bills went out on July 7th.
- d. The Town is being reimbursed over \$200,000.00 from Maine State Retirement for overpayment from many years ago. The final number has not been calculated due to adjustments they must still make. We will receive a detailed letter explaining the reimbursement. A special account is being set up to deposit this money into.
- e. The Police Department with assistance from the MDEA conducted a search and seizure warrant on an apartment on Main Street in South Paris. Police confiscated an undisclosed amount of heroin and cash. Police also seized 3 firearms. Two arrests were made and more arrests are pending.
- f. The Town Office, The Highway Department, and the Police Department corrected all the violations that were discovered by BLS during their March inspection. The reports are completed and the fines have been abated.

8. *Citizen's Comments (20 min)*

9. *Unfinished Business (30 min)*

- a. Consideration and discussion of signing a Special Town Meeting Warrant for July 23, 2015.
- b. Consideration and discussion on how to proceed with a long term plan for the Fox School.
- c. Consideration and discussion of nominating Chair/Vice Chair for Select Board.

10. New Business (20 min)

- a. Consideration and discussion of setting a date to hear the poverty abatement.
- b. Consideration and discussion of setting a date for a Budget Workshop with public input.
- c. Consideration and discussion of awarding the bid for 2015 roadway improvements.

Up and coming dates to mark on your calendars

- Special run-off election for Select Board-July 23, 2015 8AM-8PM at Paris Fire Dept.
- Selectmen Meeting – July 27, 2015 – 7PM at the Paris Town Office.
- Selectmen Meeting – August 10, 2015 – 7PM at the Paris Town Office.

Current vacancies on Boards/Committees:

- Appeals Board – 3 full members, 2 alternate member
- Budget Committee – 2 alternate members
- Planning Board – 2 alternates
- Rec Committee – 1 full member, 2 alternates
- NPSW – 3 full members
- OCRR – 1 full member - 1 alternate
- Policy and Procedures Committee- 2 full members
- Paris Road Committee – 2 full members

Pending Items:

- ✓ St. Lawrence & Atlantic contract
- ✓ OpenGov.com

Adjournment

TOWN OF PARIS, MAINE

TO: MEMBERS OF THE BOARD JULY 13, 2015 SELECT BOARD MEETING

DATE: 7/13/15

CC: FILE

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Background:

These are your "payables" for the last two weeks that pertain to the vendors and employees that are paid by the Town. Sam Elliot reviewed the warrants.

Recommendation:

The Select Board signs the payables.

6. Licenses: (Please remember to sign with a blue pen)

- a. Consideration and Discussion for a Liquor License renewal for Smilin' Moose Publyk House and Tavern, 10 Market Square, South Paris, ME 04281.

Background:

Smilin' Moose Publyk House and Tavern has submitted its liquor license that is up for renewal, which requires the Board's approval before it can be submitted to the State. As this restaurant has been in business for more than five years, the Board can waive holding a public hearing on it. Paris Police Chief has been formally asked to give his opinion about the license renewal. Chief Madden has no negative comments on this license.

Recommendation:

I recommend the Board make a motion to waive the public hearing for this license, and make a second motion to approve the renewal of Smilin' Moose Publyk House and Tavern liquor license.

9. Unfinished Business (30 min)

- a. Consideration and discussion of signing a Special Town Meeting Warrant for July 23, 2015.

Background:

This is the run-off election for the tie vote for the three-year Select Board term that was originally voted on June 9, 2015.

Recommendation:

That the Select Board sign the warrant.

- b. Consideration and discussion on how to proceed with a long term plan for the Fox School.

Background:

In an effort to possibly sell the Fox School we reached out to the Dunham Group a commercial realtor located in Portland. They stated we should get the building both surveyed and appraised. We did locate some blueprints from 1940 and those have been forwarded to the realtor. A group of citizens have also expressed a desire to use the building for community purposes and expressed opposition to selling it.

Recommendation:

No recommendation at this time.

- C. Consideration and discussion of nominating Chair/Vice Chair for the Select Board.

Background:

With only three Select Board members present at the last meeting it was decided to table the vote for Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the Select Board.

Recommendation:

It is the pleasure of the Board to either vote on appointments at this meeting or wait until next meeting after the run-off election when a complete five person Board will be present.

10. New Business (45 min)

- a. Consideration and discussion of setting a date to hear the poverty abatement.

Background:

Residence have applied for poverty abatement.

Recommendation:

Recommendation is to hold a future Executive Session to address this matter.

- b. Consideration and discussion of setting a date for a Budget Workshop with public input.

Background:

Due to several factors the mill rate has increased from 17.90 to 18.30 from the Assessor's confirmation. It was suggested a budget workshop be held with a public forum to discuss possible solutions.

Recommendation:

Set a date to hold the budget workshop.

- c. Consideration and discussion of awarding the bid for 2015 roadway improvements.

Background:

This was a separate bid from the roadway paving project that was approved at the last Select Board meeting.

This is for the ditching, grading, culverts, and trench paving on Alpine Street and Hooper Ledge Road.

Recommendation:

The recommendation is to award bid to the lowest bidder.