

BOARD OF SELECTPEOPLE - TOWN OF MACHIAS

MAY 12, 2021

A meeting of the Machias Board of Selectpeople was called to order via the Zoom platform at 8:13 PM by Chairman Josh Rolfe. In attendance were Board members Paula Johnson-Rolfe, James Jackson, and Leslie Haynes; Town Manager Christina Therrien; Secretary Cathy Lord; Town Clerk Sandra Clifton; Mary Angarola, David Clark, Bill Kitchen, Sarah Dedmond Craighead.

1. MINUTES - REVIEW AND ACTION

On a motion by Paula Johnson-Rolfe, seconded by Leslie Haynes, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2021 Board meeting.

2. WARRANTS - REVIEW AND ACTION

On a motion by Paula Johnson-Rolfe, seconded by Leslie Haynes, the Board
VOTED:

To approve municipal warrant #90 in the amount of \$17,560.61; to approve municipal warrant #91 in the amount of \$102,471.28; to approve municipal warrant #92 in the amount of \$16,005.30; and, to approve municipal warrant #93 in the amount of \$35,539.88 .

On a motion by Paula Johnson-Rolfe, seconded by Leslie Haynes, the Board
VOTED:

To approve school warrant #50721 in the amount of \$341,690.65 .

3. LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL - AMERICAN LEGION POST #9

Ms. Therrien informed the Board that the American Legion Post #9 submitted paperwork for its liquor license renewal.

On a motion by Paula Johnson-Rolfe, seconded by Leslie Haynes, the Board
VOTED:

To approve a liquor license renewal for the American Legion Post #9.

4. REINSTATEMENT OF CREDIT CARD FEES

On a motion by Paula Johnson-Rolfe, seconded by Leslie Haynes, the Board
VOTED:

To reinstate credit card fees (3%) effective July 1, 2021.

5. APPROVAL OF REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM FOR TELE-CENTER AND WWTP

Ms. Therrien noted that she had discussed the LED upgrade and reimbursement under the Efficiency Maine program previously with the members of the Board. She recommended that the Board formally include the telebusiness center and the wastewater treatment plant in the program.

On a motion by Paula Johnson-Rolfe, seconded by Leslie Haynes, the Board
VOTED:

To include the Machias Tele-business Center (upper portion) and the Machias Wastewater Treatment Plant in the Efficiency Maine LED program.

6. TOWN OFFICE CLOSURES ON ELECTION DAY/YEAR-END

Ms. Therrien advised the Board that the Machias Town Office will be closed to the public on election day and a day at the end of the fiscal year to complete end-of-year reports.

7. MACHIAS GENERAL ASSISTANCE ORDINANCE/SHELLFISH CONSERVATION ORDINANCE

Mr. Rolfe noted that there will be a public hearing on the general assistance ordinance and the shellfish ordinance before the Board meeting on May 26th at 6:00 PM. Ms. Therrien explained that the State suggested that the Town update its general assistance ordinance and that the Board will be seeking to place the shellfish ordinance on the warrant for annual town meeting.

8. ADULT USE MARIJUANA - TABLED

The Board briefly discussed the status of the Machias adult use marijuana ordinance. Mr. Rolfe noted that the State is continuing to make changes to state policy; he pointed out that the Machias ordinance is ninety percent written awaiting language to include from the State. He suggested leaving this item of business tabled under Old Business. Ms. Therrien commented that Machias will be ready when the State locks down its rules and regulation providing guidance to cities and towns. The other members of the Board agreed to wait for State guidance and keep this item tabled.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Paula Johnson-Rolfe, seconded by Leslie Haynes, the Board
VOTED:

To adjourn into executive session at 8:29 PM in accordance with MRSA Title 1 Chapter 13 Subchapter 1 Subsection 405(a) to discuss a personnel matter.

On a motion by Paula Johnson-Rolfe, seconded by James Jackson, the Board
VOTED:

To adjourn the executive session at 8:50 PM and reconvene into open session.

On a motion by Paula Johnson-Rolfe, seconded by James Jackson, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 PM.