TOWN OF CUSHING Meeting of the Selectboard Monday Sep 23rd, 2024 @6pm

Select Board Present: Select people Tracey Bally, Cheryl Stackpole, Craig Currie, Mike James, Brian Soiett

Select Board Absent:

Staff Present: Lisa Young, Clarence Flanders, Austin Donaghy

Public Present: Sherry James, Tom & Mary Nichols

1.Call to Order: Craig Currie called the meeting to order at 6 P.M. and a quorum was determined.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Approve and sign the Warrant

<u>ACTION</u>: Craig Currie made a motion, seconded by Tracey Bally, to approve 2024 Warrants #36 - #38

Discussion:

MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

4. Review and approve the minutes of the Sep 9th ,2024 selectboard meeting as written

<u>ACTION</u>: Craig Currie made a motion, seconded by Brian Soiett, to approve the minutes of the Sep 9th, 2024, meetings as written.

Discussion:

MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

5. Additions and Changes to the agenda-

-The Board approved the General Assistance Appendices A-H

ACTION: Craig Currie made a motion seconded by Cheryl Stackpole to put out an RFP for Assessing.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

<u>ACTION:</u> Cheryl Stackpole made a motion seconded by Michael James to pay \$334.26 emergency vet bill

MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

6.Unfinished Business

<u>6a. Transfer Station Update-</u> Cheryl mentioned counteroffer with Thomaston and see what they say. Ask to lock in for 5 years if so.

<u>6b. Norton Cemetery two cedar trees need to be professionally removed-</u> Craig mentioned putting extra money in that account. Brian is going to get a rough estimate, so the board knows what to budget for next year.

<u>6c. Foreclosure property update-</u>Craig will reach out to real estate agents to see if they are interested in listing the properties.

<u>6d. Cremation size limits at cemetery</u>. A policy needs to be put in place at the October cemetery meeting.

<u>6e.GNP discussion-</u>Tracey Bally will be the liaison between the Good Neighbor Park Committee and Select Board.

6f. Food Pantry-

<u>ACTION</u>: Craig Currie made a motion seconded by Michael James to give the winning bidder of the food pantry until October 15th to pay for the food pantry.

Discussion:

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0

7. New Business:

7a. Austin Donaghy to address the Board regarding the Cushing Post

MOTION:

Discussion: The library agreed to take over the Cushing Post. Craig mentioned upping the amount the Town gives them from \$3000.00 a year to \$3300.00 a year.

7b. Prior Lane Culvert

ACTION:

Discussion: There is a culvert on Prior Lane, near 21 Prior Lane that has gotten so bad and dangerous for emergency vehicles to drive over. Clarence has drafted a letter to the residents of the road. It is a private road, that needs to be accessible. The board gave Clarence permission to send the letter out after specific information needed to be added.

7c. Fire Chief Clarence Flanders to address the Board

<u>ACTION</u>: Craig Currie made a motion seconded by Tracey Bally to schedule a Special Town Meeting on October 15th, 2024, at 6:00PM to appropriate \$4,000 from undesignated funds to the dry hydrant account.

Discussion:

MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

7d. Approval of Road Sign

<u>ACTION:</u> Craig Currie made a motion seconded by Cheryl Stackpole to approve the private road name of Dagget Lane.

Discussion:

MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

8. Comments from Citizens-

MOTION:

Discussion: Ben Poland came to discuss an issue with the foreclosure he bought on March 25, 2024 from the Town.

9. Adjourn

<u>ACTION</u>: Craig Currie made a motion, seconded by Tracey Bally, to adjourn at 6:56p.m.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted, Danika Poland Recording Secretary