# **TOWN OF FRENCHBORO**

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Select Board Meeting Minutes December 9, 2023 5:00 pm

Meeting called to order at 5:06pm by Joe Lunt, seconded by Eric Best. Motion passed

I. Approval of Minutes from 10/30/23 and 11/06/23 – Joe Lunt motions to approve minutes as written, seconded by Cody Lunt. **Motion passed** 

### II. Old Business

- a. MAC Update/CRP Workshop Joe Lunt motions to table this update and move it to the end of Old Business, second by Cody Lunt. **Motion Passed.**
- b. Head of Harbor Engineering Study Update Wright Pierce has sent a confirmation of scope for the project. Eric Best motions to agree to the contract, second by Joe Lunt. Motion Passed
- c. Ferry Service Issues Bill Geary has acknowledged that it was a mistake for the Thanksgiving Ferry to be cancelled. He has arranged for a Christmas Day ferry. A new schedule will begin January 6<sup>th.</sup>
- d. Planning Board Update The Planning Board has created a new fee schedule for building permits as well as a new building application. These applications will use the current land ordinance until a new one has been created and adopted. Motion by Joe Lunt to sign the letter of intent from the Planning Board, second by Cody Lunt. **Motion Passed.**
- e. MAC Update/CRP Worskshop MAC has been reviewing Frenchboro's Emergency readiness. Sarah Saxby will work along Mable Lunt to purchase medical supplies that have been approved by the Select Board. MAC has been discussing ongoing infrastructure projects and will be available to the Select Board for any assistance. MAC has been working on the ongoing enrollment of the Community Resilience Partnership Program and will be helping the town move forward in this process.
- f. Any Other Old Business Dog Signs With past discussion of loose dogs the board believes it would be best to post notices around the town to remind residents and visitors alike that dogs must be leashed on all paved roads.



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### III. New Business

- a. Salt and Sand Order Eric Best Motions for 2 pallets each of salt and sand, second by Joe Lunt. **Motion Passed.**
- b. Any Other New Business Tremont Floats Tremont has sent a letter requesting the town to contribute \$3,000 to the building of new floats. The board has asked for further clarification from Tremont on the timing of these contributions.
- c. Any Other New Business Quick Claim Deed Motion by Joe Lunt to sign the quick claim deed on Monetys Smarts property, second by Eric Best. **Motion Passed.**

Joe Lunt motioned to move to executive session to discuss employee questions, seconded by Eric Best **Motion passed** 

After executive session, Joe Lunt motioned to move to regular meeting to review warrants, seconded by Eric Best **Motion passed** 

- IV. Warrants Joe Lunt motions to approve the warrant as written, seconded by Eric Best.Motion passed
- V. Mail
- VI. Set Next Meeting –

Joe Lunt motions to close the meeting at 7:24pm, seconded by Cody Lunt. **Motion passed** 



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#### **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Frenchboro Select Board

FROM: Kirk Emerson, Chair Frenchboro Planning Board

RE: Requests for Action DATE: October 28, 2023

The Frenchboro Planning Board met on October 14th and moved unanimously to make three requests of the Select Board. On behalf of the Planning Board, I present the following requests for consideration at the upcoming Select Board meeting on October 30, 2023. Eric Best and Joe Lunt, both members of the Planning Board, can speak to these requests at the meeting in my absence.

First, in order to comply with state requirements for re-establishing a local planning board, we ask the Select Board to propose ordinance language at the 2024 annual town meeting per the Maine Municipal Association sample language (attached).

Second, consistent with the town's intention to reinstate the Frenchboro Planning Board by electing board members at the 2023 annual town meeting, the Planning Board unanimously agreed to resume issuing building, zoning, and land use permits on January 1, 2024 based on existing ordinances and the current comprehensive plan, using previously adopted permit application forms and fees. Actions taken by property owners prior to January 1, 2024 will be considered exempt from local permit requirements. As the Planning Board revises local ordinances, plans and forms with public input and engagement and formal town approvals, current outdated instruments will be replaced. To underscore this new development in town oversight and accountability, we ask that the Select Board endorse this Planning Board decision through an official public statement of support, which then will be posted and circulated to the community with clarifying information from the Planning Board.

Third, there is a need to update the Frenchboro Comprehensive Plan, which must be overseen by a Comprehensive Plan Committee. We request that the Select Board notify the community and solicit expressions of interest in participating on this committee. Kirk Emerson, the Planning Board Chair, has volunteered to serve on the committee; it makes sense to encourage representation from the Municipal Advisory Committee and other local committees in addition to other residents as well.

