

**Town of Sumner - Select Board Minutes**  
**April 12, 2022 7:00 pm**  
**To Follow Broadband Meeting at 6:30 PM**

**Meeting called to order at 7:08 pm.**

**Members present: Kelly Stewart, Mary Ann Haxton, Ed Hinshaw, Town Clerk Sherry Sullivan, Secretary Laurie Arsenault**

**Public present: Terri Phillips, Hank Phillips, Katrina McDonald, Paul Allen, Laura Farrell, Paul Chesley, Russell Chesley, David Chidraoui, Rob Lowe, Jenny Saunders, Nicole Saunders, April Paine**

**Warrant #18**

Checks	14651 -14678	\$172,493.91
Receipts	-	\$-

2021-2022 Tax Collected	\$-	-%
2020-2021 Tax Collected	\$-	-%

**Open Session:**

David Chidraoui inquired about his property that is in foreclosure; he was informed that he will be able to bid on the property if it goes out to bid. A letter stating that he needs to vacate the property has been written and sent to the Oxford County Sheriff to be delivered; the letter had not been delivered yet. The Select Board approved a new letter be written with the date of eviction changed with a motion by Haxton, seconded by Stewart and voted.

Terri Phillips – Arthur Allen Road- Phillips joined the meeting to voice their concerns that they have with the Hart property. Phillips and other neighbors have stated that they have buckets filled with human waste and possibly storing them in the camper or dumping on the property. There is also concern regarding the trash on the property. CEO Fred Collins will complete an inspection of the residence. The Select Board approved to send letter to give them 30 days from delivery date to get trash removed with a motion from Haxton, seconded by Stewart and voted.

David Haumann – Andrews Road-did not attend meeting. The Haumann's have called and written letters stating that their lawn is gradually being destroyed from the snow plows. Haumann requested the town to fix lawn and reseed. The Select Board voted against this with a motion by Stewart, seconded by Haxton.

Laura Farrell – Farrell inquired about an abatement that she sent in for 2021-2022 she has two pieces of property on Labrador Pond. The land parcel she owes two years taxes. Farrell stated that she paid all taxes up to date in February. 2020 taxes should be paid. Would like abatement to pay for most of the tax bill. The select Board would like more information concerning income and property for next meeting on April 26.

**RSU #10 Report: Jenifer Adams**

Adams reported that the budget is getting ready to be finalized and there will be an informative budget meeting on May 25th at the Buckfield High school. She also reported that the modular trailers that the Superintendent purchased did not meet code as they needed sprinkler systems. The modulars are being used for storage. Adams was asked to find out the total number of trailers that there are and if they will be sold. There was also a \$9,000 bonus given to Central office. The board would like to know how many employees are in the office. Adams will report

back at next meeting.

**CEO/LPI Report: Fred Collins**

**Roads Report: Shawn Corson**

Corson reported that he will be taking the posting signs down on Thursday or Friday. Bradeen Road grading will be done by Wednesday.

Corson would like to pave Upper Sumner Hill Road cost will be \$57,000 not in bond.

**Forms, Reports, Correspondence:**

**New Business:**

Leonard MacDonald – Katrina MacDonald inquired about what they can do to keep their property that went into foreclosure on March 24, 2022. The amount of back taxes due is \$492.12 which includes fees.

Select Board members went into executive session to discuss the tax payment options at 8:16 pm and concluded at 8:49 pm. MacDonald will have 60 days to pay the past due amount to bring property out of foreclosure. Motion was approved by Stewart, seconded by Haxton and voted.

Planning Board Member John Guy chose to resign as a full-time member. Jesse Wallingford will move from alternate position to full-time and John Guy will become the alternate.

**Old Business:**

Updates on Broadband / Fiber – Haxton reported that a decision on grant funding will be made on 04/27/2022. GWI will service the whole community and customers that have Firstlight will have a choice to switch to GWI.

**Upcoming events:**

Budget Meeting May 10<sup>th</sup> 5:30 PM

Road Committee Meeting – May 24<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm

Meeting adjourned at 9:22 pm with a motion by Stewart. Seconded by Hinshaw.