

Kingfield Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 21st, 2024; 6:00 PM Webster Hall 38 School Street

Attendance

Municipal Officers: Wade Browne, Morgan Dunham, Kim Jordan, Hunter Lander, Chris Rushton

Municipal Staff: Leanna Targett (Town Manager). Travis Targett (Wastewater Superintendent)

Public: Sue Davis, Lynn Burnell, Dennis Burnell, Henry Williams, Jeff Maget, Polly MacMichael, and Clay Tranten

Via Zoom: Rebecca Richard

Absent:

Chairman Browne calls the meeting to order.

Board reviews meeting minutes from January 6th, 2025. Selectman Dunham makes a motion to accept the minutes as written. Seconded by Selectman Lander. All in Favor.

New Business:

Chairman Browne decides to change agenda around to hear from Planning Board Chairman Clay Tranten first. Clay says he is before the board for three items. First is the Assessor and Code Officer disagree on sheds and how they should be charged/assessed. Clay says that the planning board feels there needs to be a charge for this.

Second is application fees are way out of whack, and it needs to be brought back to the board. He would like a second opinion on contract zoning fees for instance if a specialist is hired then the applicant should pick up the costs. Clay says he has googled Maine law and if he understands it correctly there could be a monetary fee. Clay says the town attorney said no and he would like a second opinion. Chairman Browne says that we must listen to the town attorney. TM, Targett says she is unfamiliar with this and would like to contact the town attorney. Clay says she keeps crossing out our changes. The Board directs TM, Targett to follow up on this prior to the planning board's work session on Tuesday.

Clay says that some towns give an estimate and hold funds in Escrow he has looked at a few towns to include Rangeley and Bethel. Clay says if the town incurs a cost then there is a fee. Sue Davis notes that Richard Hawkes presented a nice fee schedule to the board.

Chairman Browne asks Clay how the LD 2003 is moving along. Clay indicates that they have some work sessions scheduled to finish up then they will bring them to the board prior to a public hearing.

Old Business:

The board begins to review wastewater rate options. It is quickly determined that another work session is necessary for this detailed discussion. The board plans a work session for Monday 27th at 5:30pm.

New Business:

The Board reviews the sewer commitment covering January to March 2025. Selectman Dunham makes a motion to accept as presented. Seconded by Selectman Lander. All in Favor.

Board review letter from Auditor. TM, Targett explains that the audit went well. There was one item that needed attention, which was the auditor has noted that some of the balances in Trio were not consistently reconciled with the bank balances. She recommends they are reconciled on a regular basis. TM, Targett says she has made the treasurer aware of this. TM, Targett reminds the board that it is common for an auditor to find one or two things wrong.

Town Manager Updates/Discussion: TM, Targett has no updates to provide.

Selectmen Discussion: None

Public Comment: None

Selectman Dunham makes a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Selectman Lander. All in Favor.

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