
Town of Hersey

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Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 27, 2024; 4:30 PM

Patten Town Garage, 21 Katahdin Street

Minutes

1. Meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m.
Selectboard in Attendance: Chris Streinz, Steve Hartin and Ken Libby
Administration in Attendance: Town Agent Billie Doody
Public in Attendance: Frank Schramm, Mona Briggs and Denise Jutras
2. Approve and Sign Warrant #2 for General Government.
C. Streinz motioned to approve and sign Warrant #2 for General Government. S. Hartin seconded the motion. No discussion. All in Favor
3. Approve and Sign Meeting Minutes from July 31, 2024
C. Streinz motioned to approve and sign the meeting minutes from July 31st. S. Hartin seconded the motion. No discussion. All in Favor.
4. Approve and Sign Certified Ratio Declaration Form from State of Maine
C. Streinz motioned to approve and sign the Certified Ratio Declaration Form from the State. K. Libby seconded the motion. No discussion. All in Favor.
5. Approve and Sign Solar Moratorium Extension
C. Streinz motioned to approve and sign the Solar Moratorium Extension. S. Hartin seconded the motion. No Discussion. All in Favor.

6. New Business

a. Administrative & Financial Update

The office administration will transition from an outside accounting firm to a contracted accountant who will be in the office 3 days a week starting in November. Raye Porter, current CFO for Katahdin Valley Health is going to start in November. She will be doing part of the financials, such as budgeting, audit preparation and other financial responsibilities.

B. Doody reported that the assessor had finished up the real estate changes and that the Board was able to vote on their mil rate for 2024-2025 tax bills. B. Doody reported that the minimum rate that could be used was 26.75 and the maximum was 28.07. A brief discussion on overlay amounts and rate options took place. Samples were given to the Board.

C. Streinz motioned to approve 26.75 as the mil rate for 2024-2025 tax bills. K. Libby seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor.

B. Doody spoke about the Town's certified ratio dropping from 80% for 2023-2024 tax year to 70% 2024-2025 tax year. The certified ratio will hinder how much the Town gets for their tax exemptions (homestead and veteran). B. Doody is waiting on a quote from the assessor for doing a full revaluation and a quote on a market-based adjustment. The assessor is booked up until 2027 for full revaluation. B. Doody will follow up when she has more information.

B. Doody let the Selectboard know that the audit for 2022-2023 has been completed. A brief discussion took place on the results of the audit. The audit for fiscal year 2023-2024 has not been scheduled yet. The office administration is waiting on the audit firm to confirm a date.

B. Doody is still looking for the subdivision information that is on file in the office.

7. Old Business

b. Informational Meeting on Solar Ordinance-Date and Guests

The Board decided to have the informational session on the Solar Ordinance on September 25th, 2024, right after the regular Selectboard meeting. Notifications will be mailed out to the residents of Hersey with their tax bills as soon as B. Doody has them ready.

c. Discussion of Road Work

The discussion of road work will also be included on the agenda for the regular selectboard meeting on September 25th.

8. Public Comments

No public comments

9. Selectmen Comments

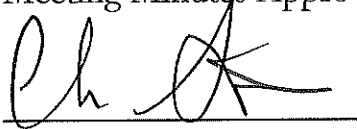
No Selectmen comments

10. Adjourn

C. Streinz motioned to adjourn the meeting. S. Hartin seconded the motion.
No discussion. All in Favor.

Meeting adjourned at 4:59 P.M.

Meeting Minutes Approved and Signed September 25, 2024.



Chris Streinz



Steve Hartin



Ken Libby