

Arrowsic Select Board
Minutes of September 27, 2022 Meeting

Present: Steve Bonine, Will Neilson, Walter Briggs, DeeDee Jorgensen, Linda Kelly, Tim Kelly

Via Zoom: Don Kornrumpf, Karin Sadtler, Jon Biehler, Denise Parker

Walter called the meeting to order at 6:05pm.

Items for Approval

- The draft agenda was reviewed and approved.
- The draft minutes of the 9/13/2022 Select Board meeting were approved with the change of Jackie Elwell to Jennifer Elwell.
- Treasurer's Warrant #6 for \$1,540.99 was approved.
- ABA Warrant #5 – none

Town Staff & Volunteers

- Health Officer – Linda Kelly FNP was appointed to the role of Health Officer.
- Education Committee chair needed.

Jorgensen Snow Removal Proposal

The proposal for snow removal at town properties during the 2022-2023 winter season was approved. DeeDee Jorgensen abstained from voting.

Arrowsic Broadband Authority update – Don Kornrumpf

Don reported that he sent a letter to MCA asking if they would consider reclassifying Arrowsic from “planned to be served” on the Maine service map, to “unserved” to reflect our actual service level. There was discussion of whether this was a state matter or a federal one, but if federal there is probably little chance of a change.

Arrowsic must go with the same type of facility as previously. A town-meeting municipality can't do a revolving credit loan. Bond counsel is investigating whether Arrowsic can qualify for municipal bond rates. However, the involvement of Axiom as operator of the network and a for-profit entity, may eliminate eligibility. Don is awaiting an interest rate quote for different term lengths for a credit line. A credit line is needed as a backup to cover expenses that haven't yet been reimbursed.

Don and Steve Bonine worked to reconcile Arrowsic's municipal accounts with the USDA reporting format (which is essentially a corporate format). Claims are being held before being submitted for reimbursement until reporting is current.

A special town meeting is required to approve the facility. Don will draft a letter to the community regarding the special town meeting.

Other Business

- General Assistance approval form—signed by Select Board members. A biannual report must be submitted to the state even if there are no requests for assistance.

The meeting adjourned at 6:43pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Parker
Town Administrator