

Arrowsic Select Board Minutes

May 9, 2023

As Approved on May 22, 2023

Present: Walter Briggs, DeeDee Jorgensen, Will Neilson, Steve Bonine

Attended via Zoom: Don Kornrumpf, Michael Kreindler, Denise Parker

Call to Order: 6:06pm by Walter Briggs

Agenda: Reviewed & approved on a motion by DeeDee seconded by Will.

Items for approval:

- Minutes of the Select Board Meeting on April 25, 2023, were approved on a motion by DeeDee seconded by Will.
- Treasurer's Warrant #21 for \$53,203.96 approved on a motion by Will seconded by DeeDee.
- ABA Warrant #12 for \$2,545.50 approved on a motion by DeeDee seconded by Will.

Town staff & volunteers:

- Auditor – Steve reported that there are currently two active prospects, Maine Municipal Audit Service and Marcum, and that the search continues.
- ABA staffing (treasurer/bookkeeper) – the role will most likely be bookkeeper. QuickBooks may be used. The auditor will need to include an audit of the ABA.
- Animal Control Officer – DeeDee will revise the job description.
- Education Committee Chair – No candidates yet. The primary job is to organize a fundraiser for the scholarship fund. Denise will revise the job description.

Arrowsic Broadband Authority update – Don Kornrumpf:

- Nothing further has been heard from CCI or CMP on Make Ready.
- Email letters have been sent to CCI without response.
- MCA is planning a meeting with ABA and other awardees for next week. An updated grant agreement has not yet been received from MCA.
- The construction agreement between ABA and Axiom has been reviewed/revise. It is now to be reviewed by Preti Flaherty.
- Early marketing and early sign-up materials are being discussed.
- A \$99 up-front discounted connection fee for connection is planned to encourage early sign-up, with monthly fees of \$49.99, \$79.99, \$109.99 etc. depending on speed required.
- Vince Capone and the ABA group is updating information for the Arrowsic website.
- MCA grant agreement status – should have information within the next two weeks.

- CCI needs to replace ten poles. CMP can begin work once the poles are replaced. CCI has issued licenses in areas where poles still need replacement in Mid and South Arrowsic.
- The pledge deposit account will be closed once the MCA grant is finalized, as MCA does not require this secured account. Don will check with USDA on the process of closing the account.

Town meeting:

- All documents have been provided to Bath Printing. Denise and DeeDee will edit when the report is put together.

Other business:

- Front door lock/keys – approval given to proceed with an electronic entry system. Denise is working with Malcolm Persen.
- Spirit of America Award – Denise is working with Josephine Ewing to nominate the Climate Resilience Committee.
- Select Board vacancy – A candidate is nominated and voted on at the Town Meeting in June.

Mail:

- A state report needs to be done regarding property sales. DeeDee will do this online.

Next meeting: Monday, May 22, 2023, 6:00pm

Adjournment: 7:03pm on a motion by Will seconded by DeeDee.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Parker
Town Administrator

Send draft minutes to: SB, Steve, Barbara, Don K

Send approved minutes to: Paul K