

Arrowsic Select Board

February 10, 2025

Minutes Approved:

February 24, 2025

Attendance: Bob Ater, Kevin Bachman, Walter Briggs, Eileen Bonine, Irene Burgess, Jennifer Geiger, Andrew Guerette, Alison Hepler, DeeDee Jorgensen, Aaron Labbe, Joel Merry, Bob Nelson, Jules Walkup

Zoom: Michele Galliard, Don Hudson, Michael Kreindler, Denise Tepler, Lori True

Call to Order: 6:07

Items for Approval

- Minutes of Select Board Meeting of January 27, 2025: Jennifer motioned to approve; DeeDee seconded; all approved
- Treasurer's Warrant FY25 #16: \$97,807.74: Jennifer motioned to approve; DeeDee seconded; all approved
- ABA Warrant FY25 #9: \$1953.00: Jennifer motioned to approve; DeeDee seconded; all approved

Town Staff & Volunteers

- Animal Control Officer needed

Any other business

- Approval of Welcome Letter for Website: All approved; letter signed.
- Approval and execution of Packard's Landing Deed from Town to Black Duck Land Exchange Trust on the advice of the Town Attorney. DeeDee motioned to approve; Jennifer seconded; all approved.
Walter changed the year, signed the quitclaim deed, Jennifer witnessed it, and DeeDee notarized it. Select Board needs to review the Commitment Agreement, will do so, and put up for approval for next Board meeting.
- Discussion of abandoned boat by Arrowsic bridge.
Vessel anchored at Arrowsic Bridge in August and identified as a problem. Several governmental agencies were contacted but did not have jurisdiction to resolve before current situation. It is on mud flats; the Dept. of Environmental Protection and Coast Guard have removed any fuels and put a boom around it. The Coast Guard says it is the responsibility of the Town of Arrowsic if abandoned.

Two potential removal options for ice in and ice out of the river (the first is more expensive): need to remove potential hazards on board with hazmat protocol and have boat cut up. Maine Abandoned Watercraft Statute says it is the responsibility of the state of Maine but has no method of redress.

Sheriff Merry will contact MDEA to determine procedure for declaring boat not a hazard to board.

Select Board will declare the boat officially abandoned this meeting enabling state process to declare abandoned. DeeDee made a motion to consider the boat abandoned; Jennifer seconded; all approved. The Select Board will write the letter of declaration and then give to the Sheriff's office for delivery to owner. Board will notify the Director of Parks and Land Management as well of this action.

- Discussion of gap in insurance coverage with MMA and the bonding of individuals working at the Town Hall. Two of the applications are back; two are in process. These actions will include some extra coverage costs.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:20