

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

Members Present:

Hatch, Rapp, Leighton

Others Present:

Allen Kranz, Bailey Bowden

Business:

Meeting commenced @ 7:02 PM.

Allen is preparing a grant application package for a Rainbow Smelt Restoration Initiative for the Blue Hill Peninsula. See attached excerpt from his presentation.

Received notice of the Hancock County Commissioner's 2024 proposed budget public hearing taking place on 9/29 @ 6:00.

Caroline Yoder has scheduled a tour of the Castine transfer station this Friday. Board signed the Municipal Valuation Return.

Board obtained original documents dating back to October/November 1969 which indicate that the Town of Penobscot was pursuing a permit to fill a wetland for a public turnout on SR 175 (Carpenter Cove). Prior to this, Chris Haley had informed the Board that the turnout was owned by Margaret Holland and him (Map 23, Lot 21). Rapp will research and contact Haley & Holland.

Discussion took place as to why there are 21 bundles of shingles stacked in the parking area of the town office, left over from the roof work. Rapp commented that the original Dorr estimate of 37 squares seemed excessive. Rapp will measure the square footage of the roof and report back.

Leighton will be absent for the 10/3 meeting, and Hatch absent for the 10/10 meeting.

Abatements signed:

Abate to Exempt – \$11.50 Town of Penobscot;

Property tax - Richard & Lucille Hewitt - \$830.78; Nita Weissman & Ken Okamoto - \$1,400.03

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 PM.

Funding opportunity calendar

1. NOAA's Restoring Fish Passage through Barrier Removal Grants: October 13
2. NOAA's Transformational Habitat Restoration and Coastal Resilience Grants: November 14
3. Maine Municipal Stream Crossing Upgrade Grants: TBD in October-November, 2023
4. Federal Highway Administration culvert grants: December 2023-January 2024
5. DMR Maine Coastal Program, Coastal Zone Management: March-May, 2024