

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF MADISON
March 7, 2023
MINUTES**

Selectmen Present – Josh L. Shackford, Michael A. Mauro, John Arruda

Others Present –Town Administrator Linda Shackford; Chief Robert King, Jr.; Officer Michael Mosher; Foreman Justin Chick; DPW Dave Swift; Rec Program Adam Price; MadTV Videographer Aysia Morency; other members of the public

Where and When Posted – Town Hall upper & lower bulletin boards and Madison & Silver Lake Post Offices on December 20, 2022.

Meeting Called to Order – By J. Shackford at 4:30 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance: J. Shackford led all in attendance in reciting the Pledge.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Mauro, seconded by Arruda to approve the minutes of February 21, 2023 as written. The motion passed **3-0**.

APPROVAL OF MANIFESTS:

Motion by Mauro, seconded by Arruda to approve the Manifest of March 6-13, 2023 in the amount of \$335,467.93. The manifest breakdown is as follows: \$84,905.42 for accounts payable; \$38,776.71 for payroll; \$11,785.80 for payroll liabilities; and \$200,000 for MES. The motion passed **3-0**.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were none.

DISCUSSION ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS:

Shawn Bergeron for Davis regarding Map 115 Lot 044 – Bergeron asked for this discussion be tabled through a phone conversation with L. Shackford. His client is looking at other options and may still approach the Board in the future.

Rec Committee Appointments – New requests for appointment to the Rec Committee were received. Cheri Stackpole’s request has preference to be a regular member and Emma Carlson’s request is to be an alternate member. Price noted that at the January 12th Rec Committee meeting the committee voted to recommend that Courtney Price be risen to a full member from her alternate status. Price offered the information that Courtney is his wife and that he removed himself from that decision making process. J. Shackford’s opinion was to raise Courtney Price and offer alternate positions to Stackpole and Carlson to which Mauro and Arruda agreed.

Motion by J. Shackford, seconded by Mauro to sign the Oath of Office paperwork out of session. The motion passed **3-0**.

OLD BUSINESS: There was none.

Selectman Arruda’s List – Arruda asked if the tonnage amounts of MSW and bulky waste brought to Mr. Carberry can be extracted and made into a report. L. Shackford create a report. Arruda thanked DPW for removing the used oil from the transfer station. On election day, Arruda will be able to be in attendance during the afternoon. J. Shackford appointed L. Shackford as his Selectman pro tem election day.

Selectman Mauro's List – Mauro offered his appreciation to the DPW crew for the amazing job they have done recently handling the snow storms.

Administrator's List – L. Shackford stated that the auditors are here performing the 2022 audit all week. They found that the check made to the Village District of Eidelweiss was made for \$30 too much. L. Shackford asked the Board how to handle the overpayment. Options include asking them for it back, paying them \$30 less with the July payment or letting it go with the auditors making the adjustment. The Board decided that it will ask the auditors to make the adjustment.

Department Heads' List:

Chief King – The speed and radar patrols have begun with the grant that his department received.

Foreman Chick – Chick began by thanking J. Shackford for his years of service as a Selectman. The roads will be posted on Friday, March 10th with L. Shackford being sure the notice is properly posted. The cutting out behind the garage has begun with J. Shackford adding that it was too windy the other day to begin with the trees around the ballfield.

Rec Committee – Price began with asking the Board to take another look into the Memorandum of Understanding that the school has proposed. The process for requesting the use of the building may end up being more difficult without the MOU because a revised facility use application is being drafted by the school. The Town files the application to use the buildings too. Mauro asked to see a copy of the draft application which L. Shackford will obtain. King recalls that the gymnasium was voted to be for the community and consideration of a written request for the school to use Burke Field was mentioned. Price also spoke about:

- The School Board was asked if they would be willing to house the full-time Rec Director, should it pass, and Price reported that the Board seemed receptive;
- Price asked King if he had any luck with the T-Mobile grant to which King responded that T-Mobile requires more to be in place and plans made to be able to apply. King sees more luck with applying for Community Improvement Grants that could fund a project like the pavilion idea.

Dave Swift: Swift reported that as of May 1st the cost of disposal of MSW and Bulky debris will increase by \$5.00/ton - \$67.00 to \$72.00. And

- A discussion with ECO-Maine will happen tomorrow to speak about the tipping fees for combining cardboard, plastic and paper;
- No more information has been received regarding compactors other than the one vendor spoken about at a previous meeting. Swift is waiting to hear from two more vendors.

Selectman Shackford's List – J. Shackford reminded all that eventually the Town will need to have a salt/sand shed and hopes that can be done with grant funds. King suggested that could be something that the conservation commission could look into. It was noted that the Town of Freedom spent close to \$500,000 on their shed.

SIGNATURE ITEMS:

Manifest

Payroll & Accounts Payable Checks

Avitar Request for Information from Eversource

4:59 PM – J. Shackford made a **motion** to adjourn, seconded by Mauro, and so voted **3-0**.

NEXT SELECTMEN'S MEETING – The next Selectmen's Meeting is scheduled March 21, 2023 commencing at 4:30 pm at the Madison Town Hall meeting room.

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda Shackford, Town Administrator