

Assessor Meeting

July 21, 2022

Assessors present: Danial Barker
Ben DeFroscia
Robert Farrar
Sue Howe, Tax Collector/Treasurer
Joanne Bean, Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Ben made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes, 2nd by Dan. Dan made a motion to accept the minutes as written, with the exception of Sue contacting the school Board, which Bob is doing, 2nd by Bob.

Written Communications: Received postcard from Will Schnorr for a new website EustisMe.com which he has set up. It is a very informative up and coming website for our area. Received news on a new property tax freeze for seniors. We are still waiting on more information and the law for this at this time. Received an email from Alexandra Rodriguez regarding the virtual discovery meeting for the Dead River Watershed. Assessors also received the Official Ballot for the Maine Municipal Associations Legislative Policy Committee. Assessors decided to vote for both candidates and signed form. Town Clerk Joanne Bean emailed it back to the Committee 7-13-2022, 1:48 p.m.

Treasurer/Tax Collector: Sue had the new CD for Bob to sign. Bob suggested adding the amount of the expired CD to this new CD which will accumulate 2.15% interest and expire in 6 months. All agreed this was a way to increase short term income. Sue stated that of the 18 liens sent out seven have been paid. She will file liens on Tuesday, July 26th. She is still working on TRIO. The Chart of Accounts is now in and she will be getting the online version of TRIO as we need the Cash Receipts program in order to get MOSES. Bob made a motion and Dan seconded so that she would be able to purchase Cash Receipts when she is ready. Bob thanked Sue for all of her hard work.

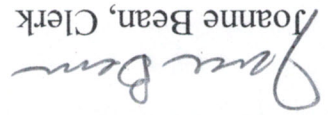
Warrant: Were reviewed by assessors and signed.

Other: Dan stated that he went around to many properties with Bob Gingras and that it went well. They will finish up with Donna's help. Dan stated that he does need help with mapping. Bob offered to call his contact in Bangor so that they may have a better understanding of how to find and figure things out. Sue stated that she has been keeping a list of transfers for the last three years and that they may be able to print a list of transfers. Bob also gave Joanne the 2022 Certified Ratio Declaration form to hold as the form was manually checked off and the current year certified ratio was written in as 100%. Bob was going to call with questions before the Assessors make their decision. The Assessors approved and signed a Memorandum of Understanding which outlined regional support for the ongoing Housing Needs Study and next steps. The MOU is being signed by communities along the Rt 27 corridor from Kingfield to Eustis. It will be sent to the County Commissioners as an expression of support for possible grant funding to move the study forward into actionable items and plans. Assessors Barker and Defroschia have been attending the Study Committee meetings.

Executive Session: None

Bob made a motion to adjourn and Dan 2nd the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 7:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Joanne Bean, Clerk