



**Select Board's Meeting  
Town of Bowdoin, Maine  
08/01/2022**

**A true record is recorded:**

*[Handwritten signatures in blue ink over three horizontal lines]*

**Present were:**

**Marc Bernier**

**Brad Totten**

**Deborah Marquis**

**6:30 PM: Pledge of Allegiance**

**Administrative**

**Reviewed and signed Minutes for 07/25/2022. Motion to accept the minutes by Marc Bernier, second by Deborah Marquis, all in favor**

**Other Business:**

- *The warrant was reviewed and signed.*
- *A Citizen group for the ATV trails came in unannounced. The meeting was moved outside on the lawn to accommodate all the people that were present (50). Adam Rice, Recreational Trail coordinator, for the Bureau of Parks and Lands Off-Road Recreational Vehicles came to attend the Select Boards meeting at the request of Robert Decker of the Warden service. Edward Barret, president of the Lisbon Falls and Bowdoin ATV club wanted to know what the Warden Service allowed on the Wagg Rd. Adam Rice stated that an ATV can travel up to 1500' on a Town maintained road. The length that is being traveled on the Town maintained portion of the Wagg road is 2500'. Several questions were asked pertaining to the discontinued roads and it was stated that right now the issue is in the State House being looked at. There is confusion on which roads were discontinued with right of ways or with Public rights of way. Citizens asked if the Town could propose an ordinance like Lisbon Falls, where the ATV's are allowed to travel on certain Town roads. Individuals*

*stated that by allowing this it would bring business to the local Town store. Edward Barrett stated that Lisbon Falls has had an increase in their gas stations and restaurants business.*

*The Select Board advised the citizens group that there is nothing that they can do. The group would have to have a petition (with 10% of the voters in the last Gubernatorial election ) to propose a written ordinance for a special Town meeting. Adam Rice stated that the ATV club needed to take down the 3 ATV signs on the Wagg Rd. The Select Board returned to inside to continue with other business.*

- *Helen Watts and Jason Leeman of the Planning Board came in the discuss a new law LD2003 that was passed into Legislation on 7-21-2022. It deals with land use and affordable housing.*
- *Guy Lebida was in to express his concern for the situation in the State and in Bowdoin with the increasing costs of food, fuel, heating oil and taxes. He stated he hopes the Town is prepared for this situation. The Board stated they would follow the laws and rules they are governed by.*
- *Abatements were signed except for Map 10 lot 40-0 and Map15 Lot 19. The board needs more clarification on these two.*

*Adjournment at 8:15pm. Brad Totten made a motion, Deborah Marquis seconded, all in favor.*

*Respectfully Submitted by Melanie R. Page*