

Select Board's Meeting Town of Bowdoin, Maine 07/10/2023

Present were:

Marc Bernier

Brad Totten

David Towle

6:30 PM: Pledge of Allegiance

Administrative

Reviewed and signed Warrants and Minutes for 06/26/2023, Marc made the motion to accept the minutes, Brad second, vote was unanimous. There was no Select Board meeting for July 3, 2023 due to fourth of July Holiday.

Other Business:

- Glenn Michalowski (Lisbon Town Manager) was in to discuss the temporary bridge for Potter bridge on the West Burrough Rd. He stated that he had secured a temporary bridge (52' x 16') from Wyman and Stimpson of Richmond. It can be installed as early as next week. The road would need to be closed to all traffic for 2-3 days. Proper notification would need to be given to the residents of the road. The Town of Bowdoin will be responsible for notifying Bowdoin residents. The cost of the temporary bridge would be \$100,000 for 1 year. Lisbon is looking for Bowdoin to partner with them for the cost of the temporary bridge. Glenn also is working on a design for a permanent bridge replacement for this temporary bridge. There are options for the new replacement. (such as build it bigger, build the same as we have)
- Marc stated The Select Board does not have the authority to expend more than \$5000 without having a vote at a Town Meeting. Marc said that we are replacing the bridge on Doughty road and we are not sure if we are going to have to ask the Towns' people for more funding for the Doughty road bridge.

- Fern Larochelle (LisbonTown council member) spoke about the cost of having a temporary bridge and about giving people proper notice and suggested that maybe they hold off on the project until more research can be done.
- Bowdoin residents from the road felt that the bridge has always been a problem and a possible solution would be to build up the road more and the bridge would be higher than the sides of the existing road.
- Tom Garrepy, Fire Chief and EMA director from Bowdoin, asked what Lisbon's' solution for Fire and EMS would be getting to people on the road beyond the bridge. Glenn Michalowski stated he would have a conversation with the farm owner abutting the bridge and see if there was a possibility of going through his field. Tom stated that he would be talking with EMS about solutions.
- Bowdoin Select Board and Tom Garrepy will stay in communication with Lisbon Town Manager this next week regarding this issue.
- Rodney Skelton- Asked if the Town had found out any information on the section of the Adams road in front of his house on Coombs road. The Board stated they had not but showed Rodney a copy of the roads list and he was unable to find it on there. Michaeline Mulvey suggested he look at the MDOT maps when they changed the road.
- Cindy Namer- updated the Board on
- Abatements, tree growth applications and a farmland application.
- She would like to correct some lot lines before the new maps are done.
- Michaeline stated the Town lot next to her land is being marked for cutting and she wants to make sure that the road will be left in same or better condition.

Adjournment at 8:12 PM. Marc made a motion to adjourn, David second, unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted by Melanie R. Page

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