

## Select Board's Meeting Town of Bowdoin, Maine 01/15/2024

A true record is recorded

Those present:

**Brad Totten** 

Marc Bernier

David Towle

6:30 PM: Pledge of Allegiance

Administrative: signed warrants and minutes. Marc made a motion to accept the minutes for 01-15-2024, David second, all in favor.

## Other Business:

- David Manfredi -1 Auditors were here today and will be back tomorrow.
  - 2. They need the march 2023 Annual Town meeting and the 11-20-2023 Special Town meeting results.
  - 3. David contacted the printing company to get the deadline (2-16-2024) for the Town report final copy.
  - 4. He will let us know what the deadline will be for each department to get to him.
  - 5. John needs a temporary server for the revaluation team.
- Marc made a motion to allow John Lewis to purchase a temporary/remote server for RJD Assessors for data entry of the revaluation data, Brad second, all in favor.
- Marc stated that the Ambulance service budget was voted on last Thursday and that the new contract will be \$177,658.10 starting 7-1-2024.
- Brad- Attended a MSAD 75 board meeting on the subject of electric busses.
   The cost of new electric busses will be \$350,000-\$400,000 minus a \$200,000 grant (for each bus) from the State and will need to be traded in every 5years. This price does not include the cost of charging stations for the busses. The cost being \$60,000 for 2 busses.

A conventional gas bus cost is \$170,000 and will last 10 years.

The weight of an electric bus is 15-ton vs 10-ton for a conventional one.

An electric bus will not do a complete Bowdoin run without being re-charged.

The Maine Department of Environmental Energy DOES NOT Support electric busses.

Adjournment at 7:30 PM. David made a motion to adjourn, Brad second, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Melanie R. Page Melanie R. Lage