TOWN OF CORINTH, MAINE SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES March 7, 2024

1. Call to Order

Jennifer Mitchell called to order the Regular Meeting of the Select Board at 6:00pm on March 7, 2024, at the Corinth Town Office.

2. Roll Call

Municipal Officers Present: Jennifer Mitchell, Charlene Chesley, Rosanne Young and Stewart Brooks

Others Present: Jana Watson (Board Secretary), Stephen Fields (Town Manager), and members of the public to include Chris McDonald and Jason Oko.

3. Reading of the Minutes

Motion by Charlene Chesley to accept as written the Meeting Minutes from the Regular Select Board meeting on February 22, 2024. Supported by Stewart Brooks. Vote 4-0.

4. Announcements

- Annual Town Meeting Election, Monday, March 18, 2024, 1pm-8pm, Town Office
- Annual Town Meeting Tuesday, March 19, 2024, 7pm, CMS Gym
- Corinth is considered a moderate-high detected population for browntail moth and March is considered a good month for mitigation.

5. Public Hearing: Commercial Solar Farm (Solar Energy System) Ordinance

This public hearing is for the ordinance that will be voted/acted on at the Town Meeting on Tuesday, March 19, 2024.

No public comments.

6. Public Comments: None.

7. Municipal Staff Reports

- A. Fire Chief Report: None.
- B. Town Manager Report: Town Manager provided written and verbal report.

8. Unfinished Business:

A. Ambulance Billing Agreement draft

Motion by Stewart Brooks to accept the Ambulance Billing Agreement and fund the startup costs. Supported by Jennifer Mitchell. Vote 4-0.

B. Health opt out in lieu of payment – Compensation and Benefits Manual

Motion by Stewart Brooks to accept the amended changed to the Compensation and Benefits Manual. Supported by Jennifer Mitchell. Vote 4-0.

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C. Library Discussion (for 3/21/2024)

9. New Business

A. Certification of proposed ordinance for Town Meeting – Commercial Solar Farms (Solar Energy Systems) Ordinance: Board signed documents.

B. Enhanced security backup for computer system

Motion by Stewart Brooks to purchase enhanced security backup for the computer system using contingency funds. Supported by Charlene Chesley. Vote 4-0

C. Review Warrant #s 09/10

Motion by Stewart Brooks to accept Warrant #s 09/10. Supported by Charlene Chesley Vote 4-0. **D. Penobscot County Assessment signature:** Board signed documents.

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10. Other Business:

A. EMDC – Broadband Connectivity Regional Plan

Motion by Charlene Chesley to take no action. Supported by Stewart Brooks. Vote 4-0.

11. Road Commissioner Information:

- A. Access to Ledge Hill Road for heavy load Board discussed.
- **B.** Ledge Hill Road drainage and damage to a driveway culvert Board discussed.
- **C.** Ledge Hill Road / W. Corinth Road Board discussed prioritization and sections of roadwork for summer road projects.

12. Municipal Officer Input

- A. Stewart Brooks warming center discussion/investigation
- **B.** Charlene Chesley handicap accessible doors to Town Office and possible use of ARPA funds in the future.
- C. Rosanne Young discussion of updating the Comprehensive Plan

13. Executive Session:

Motion by Stewart Brooks to enter executive session pursuant to Title 1 MRSA 405, 6(A) at 7:10pm. Supported by Rosanne Young. Vote 4-0

Executive session minutes recorded by Charlene Chesley and reported below.

Submitted by,

Jana M. Watson

Jana M. Watson Minute Recorder

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Executive Session

At 7:13pm Charlene Chesley made the motion to exit Executive Session, supported by Stewart Brooks. 4-0

13. Adjournment

Stewart Brooks made the motion to adjourn at 7:14pm, supported by Jennifer Mitchell.

Recorded by, Charlene Chesley

Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 21, 2024