

Meeting Speaker Data

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Date: N/A

Speakers: Tony Bagley, Mark Bradstreet, Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte, James Gillway, Linda Payson, Steve Tanguay, Wes Norton

00:00:00.00 - Tony Bagley

Oh it's

00:00:03.01 - Mark Bradstreet

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00:00:12.37 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Here you go You ready

00:00:13.35 - Mark Bradstreet

ready OK uh James

00:00:15.30 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

announcement

00:00:16.62 - James Gillway

I have no announcements

00:00:18.68 - Mark Bradstreet

OK And um do I have a motion on the

00:00:23.52 - Mark Bradstreet

Minutes

00:00:25.83 - Mark Bradstreet

of March 17th

00:00:29.85 - Linda Payson

Make a motion that we accept the minutes for March 17 2026 as presented

00:00:36.13 - Steve Tanguay

The second

00:00:37.51 - Mark Bradstreet

motion in a second

00:00:39.54 - Mark Bradstreet

Um

00:00:41.73 - Mark Bradstreet

Concerns on that seeing none all in favor

00:00:46.14 - Mark Bradstreet

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00:00:48.57 - Mark Bradstreet

Minutes from the uh um the warrant articles from the town meeting Um do I have a motion to accept them as presented

00:01:01.16 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Uh

00:01:02.74 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

OK Um

00:01:04.94 - Mark Bradstreet

so I have a there's 11 slight change and that's the adjournment time is 11:21

00:01:12.07 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

so that's

00:01:12.75 - Mark Bradstreet

that'll be changed

00:01:14.73 - Mark Bradstreet

OK all in favor

00:01:15.70 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

favor

00:01:16.94 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

All right

00:01:18.44 - Mark Bradstreet

No opposed 40

00:01:21.15 - Mark Bradstreet

OK Acceptance of agenda

00:01:29.52 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

For me

00:01:30.72 - Mark Bradstreet

Do I have a motion to

00:01:32.73 - James Gillway

I have 1 11th hour

00:01:33.57 - Mark Bradstreet

hour

00:01:35.19 - James Gillway

And that's a request from uh Penobscot uh Marine Museum to site one of the old steam buckets on town property

00:01:45.88 - Mark Bradstreet

Oh great Oh that's why I was here OK

00:01:52.88 - Mark Bradstreet

OK Do I have a um motion to accept the agenda as amended

00:01:59.39 - Mark Bradstreet

So

00:02:02.06 - Mark Bradstreet

second

00:02:03.46 - Mark Bradstreet

I have a motion in a second All in favor

00:02:07.32 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

A

00:02:07.78 - Mark Bradstreet

aye none opposed 40

00:02:15.69 - Mark Bradstreet

OK Uh let's see Next we have is there any public comment Please step right step right up to the mic please

00:02:22.70 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

and

00:02:23.83 - Mark Bradstreet

Uh if you've got a green light the mic is on

00:02:28.44 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Everybody uh Sabrina from here for I really just wanted to take this opportunity to um let you all know that I'm stepping down from the RSC2 board Um several of you were part

00:02:39.53 - Tony Bagley

part of the

00:02:39.73 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

the group

00:02:39.89 - Tony Bagley

group that

00:02:40.15 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

that appointed me to that

00:02:41.09 - Tony Bagley

that board

00:02:41.28 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

board some years ago to fill a vacancy and I wanted to thank you Um it's been really an honor to serve on

00:02:48.03 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

For um and I really appreciate the opportunity I'm sorry that I have to end early due to over

00:02:56.07 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Thank you very much and

00:02:58.28 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Hearing from my husband a little bit later if he'll be considering him for a replacement So thank you
Thank you for your

00:03:04.17 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

your service

00:03:04.58 - Mark Bradstreet

service and the town

00:03:08.62 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Good luck

00:03:10.30 - Mark Bradstreet

Any other public comment Yes yes

00:03:14.15 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

AJ step right up

00:03:21.66 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

AJ those just have a quick question before we

00:03:25.10 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I'm not sure

00:03:27.16 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Where we are with the audit for 25 I'm not asking for any malicious reason I was doing some research
for a grant that we can apply for on the fire side and for the EMS side and one of the requirements is an
audit an audit from the previous year

00:03:43.00 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

And that's a pretty sizable grant that

00:03:46.92 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Can you go back to 24 No that's it's the last year yeah yeah

00:03:52.48 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I'll

00:03:54.90 - James Gillway

It's deja vu all over again Um we're not we're not scheduled yet We were scheduled It was postponed Um the last conversation I had with the auditors was just before town meeting and they thought that um

00:04:11.92 - James Gillway

That they'd be here roughly in April but April's here so I'm I'm just awaiting We had the same thing with our tax anticipation note Um we still managed to

00:04:23.72 - James Gillway

Secure a note Uh what grant are you applying for the

00:04:27.93 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

the fired South here It's a \$40,000 grant and fire and EMS both are eligible

00:04:34.30 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

For it so it's 80,000

00:04:38.69 - James Gillway

Can um maybe in the next meeting you could bring that to the board so they'll be aware Is there a match to it

00:04:45.13 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Yeah it's all straight up

00:04:47.81 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Requirements of what they will not find

00:04:51.39 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

You know it's like I said it's a lot of money

00:04:54.81 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Hold up

00:04:56.80 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Uh

00:04:59.19 - Mark Bradstreet

With with James would that help light a fire under the um haunted

00:05:04.04 - James Gillway

But I know our auditors are very aware of fire grants because they're members in Brunswick so that might help us Uh anything that helps us is great

00:05:15.70 - Wes Norton

If we could also help by producing just a letter of the anticipated timeline for inclusion with the grant we could ask the auditors to uh provide something like that

00:05:26.60 - Wes Norton

Good idea

00:05:28.73 - Mark Bradstreet

Thank you Any other comments

00:05:31.29 - Mark Bradstreet

Uh seeing none we will move right into old business Uh under 8A is um election for um select board uh chair and vice chair Do I have any nominations for chair

00:05:46.30 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Yes uh um

00:05:47.79 - Steve Tanguay

I talked to Doug Norman this evening and he would like to stay on the board but step down as chairman He really dug deep and worked very hard during a couple of year battle

00:06:02.13 - Steve Tanguay

Health health battle and um

00:06:05.22 - Steve Tanguay

He liked to just work with the board continue working with the board but not in that capacity It took a lot out of him and he was happy to do it Um

00:06:15.44 - Steve Tanguay

So what I'd like to do is nominate you Mark for chairman and Linda Payson if you would

00:06:23.93 - Steve Tanguay

Serve as vice chair It would be a pleasure of the board to have you both serve in that capacity if you if you would

00:06:30.86 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

would Thank you

00:06:34.72 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Second that

00:06:36.43 - Mark Bradstreet

I have a motion for chair and vice chair on the floor and a second Is there any other nominations

00:06:45.85 - Mark Bradstreet

Seeing none are declared denominations closed um all in favor please raise your hand

00:06:51.94 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

hand

00:06:54.18 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

OK I have two

00:06:56.19 - Tony Bagley

Both

00:06:57.75 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

both Yeah You can both Yeah OK All right

00:07:01.76 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

The emotionality

00:07:03.94 - Mark Bradstreet

OK we have uh

00:07:06.59 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

40 0 Mark

00:07:09.27 - Steve Tanguay

I'm sorry Chair there is a there is a caveat with this Would you please continue to read us in through executive session and out of executive session as you've always done so well

00:07:21.43 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

And handle those motions Yeah I can do that Thank you unless unless you want

00:07:27.15 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I'll take notes

00:07:28.48 - Mark Bradstreet

OK

00:07:32.02 - Mark Bradstreet

All right uh thank you um for your confidence Uh on a B uh I'm gonna ask for a motion to uh table this until the next meeting That's the board and committee appointed

00:07:47.82 - Tony Bagley

So

00:07:49.28 - Mark Bradstreet

OK and I'll second that Uh all in favor

00:07:53.05 - Mark Bradstreet

40 Uh next is uh wastewater budget HC

00:08:01.28 - James Gillway

James

00:08:04.85 - James Gillway

So yeah we basically are at the point we need to um approve or adjust or do whatever we need to for the wastewater budget Um over the past of course we've finished our wastewater rebuild um and with it comes some additional or changes to how we spend money Um we did have a change in uh employee

00:08:28.93 - James Gillway

So if you just go down through the budget under treatment plant operations 9501 0101 you'll notice a decrease in salaries wages of \$22,616

00:08:42.20 - James Gillway

I did have to include an increase in 01 05 uh mostly because we're short and until we fill that spot we're paying a fair amount of overtime for one person to run the whole thing

00:09:00.76 - James Gillway

We adjusted our FICA that went down \$1,667 and health insurance decreased by \$8,366 because of the change in plan for what we anticipate for a new employee

00:09:18.02 - James Gillway

Uh utilities electric It's a very

00:09:22.14 - James Gillway

Power hungry plant

00:09:24.25 - James Gillway

A few years ago this was much lower but even with what we spent last year at \$60,000 at \$50,000 budgeted we need another \$10,000 on that

00:09:37.55 - James Gillway

Phones we had to add two new lines so our phone budget went up by \$2,675 That's to accommodate the system That's what when we did I'm sorry Linda you probably weren't with us when we did the tour of the plant every station has that computer Everything is monitored and because of that we needed two new lines for the communications

00:10:05.85 - James Gillway

Our water was uh adjusted last year so that's pretty spot on We no longer need pagers because the sk system informs us The next large increase is uh

00:10:18.60 - James Gillway

Under operating supplies we had to add \$16,000 This won't repeat itself next year but this year we had to buy some new testing supplies because we're doing lab testings that we used to have to send out Although we're spending more now we don't need to repeat that and we'll also be saving from sending samples out to a separate lab

00:10:44.58 - James Gillway

We lowered gas and diesel and oil by \$1000 We lowered equipment by \$3500 Most everything in the plant is still under warranty Uh chemicals we deducted \$1750 because the new plant is anaerobic and UV light and filters so we don't need as much in chemicals

00:11:07.10 - James Gillway

The next decrease was in equipment Again most of our equipment in the plant is under warranty so we dropped \$500 out of that budget Same thing with plant equipment \$35 so a total of \$4000 out of equipment The next item pro fees

00:11:27.90 - James Gillway

We do have some specific testing that needs to be run this year It's run every 2 years and this is our year in the barrel We had to add \$2000 to that to cover that

00:11:40.03 - James Gillway

Again in the pump stations we had to add \$5000 for electric Many of our pumps were replaced and they're newer but they are pretty power hungry We lowered the operating supplies by \$250 and we lowered the equipment repair for the pump stations by \$2000 And then finally the last part of that budget is sludge and currently

00:12:09.92 - James Gillway

Sledges going to landfill Landfill costs went up for 2026 We noted that in an earlier meeting and we had to add \$4000 Bottom line \$572,956 to run the plant where last year that number was 555,304 dollars

00:12:28.69 - Tony Bagley

dollars

00:12:34.06 - Tony Bagley

Mr Chairman

00:12:35.56 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Yes yes and I James

00:12:38.61 - Mark Bradstreet

do you have another uh the the sheet with the all the information

00:12:44.13 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Um so I didn't get one

00:12:47.39 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

did that one

00:12:49.20 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Uh OK

00:12:51.50 - Tony Bagley

solar field able to offset I didn't get one

00:12:54.50 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

one

00:12:56.16 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

No that uh

00:12:59.50 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

And

00:13:08.77 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Yeah this

00:13:09.82 - James Gillway

this is the meters down there are included in the solar field but again it's such a heavy usage that it it's it's still something we're paying the electric more electric down there than we do the rest of the meters

00:13:25.02 - Tony Bagley

And has Stockton Springs

00:13:27.67 - Tony Bagley

Mentions

00:13:29.79 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Anything about taking a 2nd 3rd 4th look at our waste water

00:13:35.63 - James Gillway

It would be a 4th look I have offered 3 times and I did get a call from a developer over in Stockton They wanted to put in a large subdivision and I informed them they should really be talking to their stock board because we've tried 3 times

00:13:50.51 - James Gillway

If they're interested I think we're still interested in gaining the additional users plus the east side of town would be very beneficial for we have a lot of land over there with ability to have subdivision or housing and it would be more desirable And yeah we're we're we're at 60 some odd% capacity so we have a lot of space and the more users we add the better it is for the existing users because we share the cost of everything

00:14:19.84 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

No I own a building in one year where I normally uses it once a week and water and waste is a couple 100 bucks so it's 50 bucks a piece It's a lot Well if

00:14:32.53 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

James

00:14:32.97 - Mark Bradstreet

it would much behoove them to poke into ours rather than building their own plant I mean I would assume that would be very cost

00:14:39.99 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

cost prohibitive

00:14:41.25 - James Gillway

The first time we offered was 20 years ago and we needed to rebuild the plant and the only money that was available was through

00:14:48.18 - James Gillway

Cooperative agreements between towns They don't want multiple plants all over the coast of Maine and we had capacity Lou Yway was in charge of rural development He told us straight up the only way you're going to get any money this year this is like

00:15:06.57 - James Gillway

I say 20 years ago was if you work together and we opened the door and said Dad we'll work together but the decision at that point from Stockton was to go alone so they hired an engineer spent a lot of money

00:15:18.19 - James Gillway

pursued a grant and failed Uh they they I think they asked for 13 or \$14 million and they were denied So and we've gone back twice since

00:15:31.27 - Mark Bradstreet

Thank you Any other comments Could could

00:15:34.44 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Paul go ahead

00:15:36.40 - Linda Payson

Could you just recap what was the change from last year to this year

00:15:40.12 - Tony Bagley

year

00:15:42.39 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

and

00:15:44.00 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I mean the

00:15:45.61 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Yeah

00:15:46.82 - James Gillway

Uh Bottom line last year was \$555,304 and this year it's \$572,956

00:15:57.46 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Let me do

00:15:59.51 - James Gillway

do it for you

00:16:10.78 - James Gillway

15,000

00:16:17.97 - James Gillway

\$17,652

00:16:21.16 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Thank you

00:16:27.06 - Wes Norton

I have two requests One

00:16:30.08 - Wes Norton

Next workshop we schedule

00:16:33.07 - Wes Norton

Uh for

00:16:34.55 - Wes Norton

You uh progress on um ensuring that we have the best understanding of the equivalent of users on the system um those that have more

00:16:45.39 - Wes Norton

One

00:16:47.51 - Wes Norton

Sort of what

00:16:49.65 - Wes Norton

On their on their bill um and then we will also look at back at the spread and the um

00:16:56.04 - Wes Norton

The Basket Sport Road trailer park agreement uh and and evaluate

00:17:02.74 - Wes Norton

That was

00:17:03.93 - Wes Norton

At that time uh and then the second piece um was to

00:17:09.77 - Wes Norton

Some sort of underlying item here uh make

00:17:13.88 - Wes Norton

Uh an addition of \$7000 towards the wastewater treatment plant reserve fund in this year's budget um earmarking for eventual vehicle replacement

00:17:25.68 - James Gillway

So

00:17:26.88 - James Gillway

so the good thing about the way this budget runs is um there's already an automatic reserve being collected on the bill \$3.50 of your bill each quarter is going towards uh going towards the reserve and that's building

00:17:43.73 - James Gillway

So we I can't give you the number for reserve because I don't have it audited but uh we've been doing that

00:17:51.46 - James Gillway

Since 2016 so I'm I'm sure that reserve is pretty healthy

00:17:56.79 - Wes Norton

so that would be like

00:17:58.63 - Wes Norton

\$7703

00:18:02.91 - James Gillway

\$3.50 OK

00:18:04.64 - Wes Norton

and that's on the quarterly budget I believe it's quarterly OK so that's around \$9000 a year a year

00:18:11.18 - James Gillway

For since 2016

00:18:14.06 - Wes Norton

Great So perhaps we just want to

00:18:17.51 - Wes Norton

That audit

00:18:19.62 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Whether that

00:18:21.43 - Wes Norton

my husband is covering that

00:18:22.51 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

that

00:18:24.61 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Um what more we want

00:18:25.66 - Wes Norton

want to add to

00:18:27.91 - Wes Norton

Account for other non-vehicles

00:18:30.99 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Years later down the line

00:18:36.00 - Mark Bradstreet

Uh is there any other discussion on um the wastewater budget

00:18:43.06 - Mark Bradstreet

Hearing none I would entertain a motion

00:18:48.49 - Wes Norton

I make a motion that we approve the 2026 wastewater budget as presented

00:18:53.18 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

presented

00:18:54.77 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

OK

00:18:55.86 - Mark Bradstreet

We have a motion and I second any discussion seeing none all in favor

00:19:02.38 - Mark Bradstreet

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00:19:08.08 - Mark Bradstreet

OK now we're ready for the RSU 20 appointment and I believe we have two candidates at the meeting that would like to speak

00:19:21.56 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Rick please right up

00:19:32.30 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Is it not Is it green it is

00:19:37.66 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Um

00:19:39.21 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

My sense I

00:19:41.78 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I have some knowledge of

00:19:45.99 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Always felt that uh education is the elementary and

00:19:51.42 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

High school

00:19:53.04 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

questions

00:19:54.96 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

or a society that

00:19:57.84 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Good education forts

00:20:00.90 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Um I spent I taught for 15 years in higher education

00:20:07.32 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

the school

00:20:08.82 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I can I just

00:20:11.19 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

A bunch of t-shirts

00:20:13.70 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Play so the kids had

00:20:16.69 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

We fancy t-shirts together with one ax

00:20:22.08 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I

00:20:23.42 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Somewhat of a technology person and I think that might be useful for the school board

00:20:29.06 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Knowledge of technology

00:20:31.90 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I've been in the town since 2021 I'm from away as you all know

00:20:36.83 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Um

00:20:38.70 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I know it's helper as well so I have some

00:20:44.21 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I

00:20:45.27 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

The the town like the town

00:20:50.15 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

say oh I also have

00:20:52.56 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

A child at the school who's also a gossip

00:20:56.79 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

know what's going on there um

00:21:00.04 - Tony Bagley

Quiet

00:21:02.72 - Tony Bagley

Uh we're going to

00:21:03.67 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

to question

00:21:04.22 - Tony Bagley

question

00:21:05.28 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Um

00:21:07.96 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

If we

00:21:09.17 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

if you noticed

00:21:09.75 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

noticed two or three of the top challenges or aware of some of the top challenges your school has right now

00:21:16.83 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

And how maybe you address

00:21:20.81 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Well I think a lot of them are very difficult because I think poverty

00:21:27.04 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Trying to get kids to actually go to school

00:21:30.88 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Do you think that that would help the score

00:21:34.21 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

We'd get more kids actually attending and then we'd get

00:21:38.69 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

The states I understand

00:21:41.65 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I'm not quite sure how you would go about that but I certainly

00:21:45.89 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

OK

00:21:47.52 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

forces behind scoring

00:21:49.70 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

And may or may not be home schooling but I again

00:21:55.17 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

What the laws

00:21:57.84 - Mark Bradstreet

That would be me my question is do you have any ideas on how to increase enrollment

00:22:05.13 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Well that's uh

00:22:06.81 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

That's

00:22:10.64 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

And we did that and I mean get more young people into the town

00:22:15.22 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

And kids yeah and make those people that come into town believe the school has something to offer

00:22:22.94 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

The uh the reputation of the school hasn't been all that good in the past I think the new student superintendent's really good

00:22:32.19 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I think there's an opportunity to say hey guys look we've got a good school now the kids are doing really well

00:22:39.18 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

You should send your kids to go

00:22:43.87 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

And and would you support a

00:22:46.15 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

the board decision you voted against

00:22:51.05 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

We select like let's say

00:22:53.83 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Well there was a um

00:22:56.02 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

The special interest group that came to the board with this

00:22:59.77 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

It's quite um quite a lot of research you have to do on this topic and you had a lot of discussion

00:23:08.29 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

And you are not at all

00:23:11.42 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

An agreement on quite how to move forward So we were a little split on that but the majority

00:23:17.66 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

way would you support the board decision

00:23:21.90 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

OK so I guess I have to

00:23:25.81 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

is not

00:23:28.52 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Is that a trick question

00:23:31.20 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

It's done

00:23:33.61 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I wouldn't resign in protest

00:23:38.11 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Thank you

00:23:40.08 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Thank you Mr Olson I just have one question Oh sorry

00:23:44.47 - Wes Norton

Uh if if you were to see out this term would you have an interest in serving in a term that you would run for um

00:23:50.32 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

eventually Sure yeah absolutely

00:23:54.31 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Well thank you

00:23:57.21 - Mark Bradstreet

And do we have another potential candidate Yes yes sir Step right up and give us your name and

00:24:02.20 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

and

00:24:03.57 - Tony Bagley

Uh I'm Anthony Bagley

00:24:06.05 - Tony Bagley

Do for my whole life for 55 years Um I've been a school board member here in former 56 the big RSU 20 and now the small RSU

00:24:16.73 - Tony Bagley

Um I stepped down a couple of years ago It was my daughter's senior year Um I missed a lot of my kids' stuff being on the board and want to take that final year to to watch it through I joined the um one board the Wander District Trustee became a board member there Um I heard that there was a vacancy coming up to the position

00:24:37.64 - Tony Bagley

Um a couple of board members reached out a few of the citizens have reached out because I've been on the board I said that I would step in to help

00:24:45.24 - Tony Bagley

Um it's difficult to come into a

00:24:49.71 - Tony Bagley

The school board for a partial term not knowing the ins and outs of the school board I came in as a as a filling my first term

00:24:58.78 - Tony Bagley

Um and it takes 12 2 years to really get into the groove of all the rules regulations policies and all that stuff So I told the members that contacted me

00:25:11.85 - Tony Bagley

The townspeople that I would come forward

00:25:15.18 - Tony Bagley

Fill this if needed and I reached out to James and suddenly heard that and he's asked me to fill out the application and asked me to come invite to answer some questions

00:25:25.19 - Mark Bradstreet

OK and does the board had questions of

00:25:27.28 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

of Anthony Hi good to see you

00:25:29.72 - Tony Bagley

Yeah same um

00:25:31.20 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

top two or three challenges you see at at uh

00:25:34.76 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

In our school district

00:25:35.53 - Tony Bagley

district so that you may address them So the biggest challenge in education right now is in Augusta

00:25:42.98 - Tony Bagley

That's the biggest challenge

00:25:44.90 - Tony Bagley

Um until they step back in that little

00:25:48.23 - Tony Bagley

Is back running their education in stopping There are 50+ unfunded mandates These are small towns are gonna have to make a hard choice in a few years on this

00:26:00.92 - Tony Bagley

You heard the uh like 190 Bento applaud the same name but if you have a student that lives here

00:26:09.30 - Tony Bagley

Shall we

00:26:11.07 - Tony Bagley

It is considered homeless you must provide transportation at the district's cost

00:26:16.30 - Tony Bagley

To go get that job every day

00:26:18.81 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I

00:26:21.48 - Tony Bagley

which is a huge cost You know the gas is \$5 a gallon

00:26:25.82 - Tony Bagley

Um

00:26:26.59 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

that's very

00:26:26.93 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

very expensive and it's

00:26:28.79 - Tony Bagley

it's busting budgets

00:26:32.10 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Um

00:26:32.95 - Tony Bagley

child moves in the district who becomes a behavioral problem and you have to put them in an out of state placement according to state law which would be 200

00:26:43.15 - Tony Bagley

year the local tax rates now have to take that up with no state funding

00:26:48.69 - Tony Bagley

Um the state can say they're paying 55% of education but they're not They take the whole cost of the state

00:26:56.66 - Tony Bagley

And divide that down to 55% but it's not an equal share to all the

00:27:00.66 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

the towns How could you address that as

00:27:02.70 - Tony Bagley

as

00:27:04.33 - Tony Bagley

You have to abide by state laws and board policies and the only way you can do is to educate the voters of Maine of what's really going on in this state

00:27:15.23 - Tony Bagley

And that's where the struggle is They've come up with a new law to make it mandatory for \$50,000 starting salary They've taken the negotiation from the local board out of their hand and placed that burden on taxpayers without funding that

00:27:31.86 - Tony Bagley

That's the biggest challenge in education right now

00:27:34.87 - Tony Bagley

The second one is politics

00:27:38.44 - Tony Bagley

Politics and education we go back to our basic math reading

00:27:43.43 - Tony Bagley

Science

00:27:45.72 - Tony Bagley

Good old

00:27:47.54 - Tony Bagley

Simple learning skill

00:27:49.88 - Tony Bagley

In this state get rid of um

00:27:52.61 - Tony Bagley

Industrial arts in schools

00:27:54.91 - Tony Bagley

And forced vocational centers um that was a huge blow to critical thinking

00:28:01.02 - Tony Bagley

Um

00:28:03.14 - Tony Bagley

You know there's no that

00:28:04.06 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

that

00:28:07.78 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Any of that stuff So there's there's no

00:28:09.99 - Mark Bradstreet

there's no shop in

00:28:10.81 - Tony Bagley

in the local industrial arts and if you want to do that you have to go to the tech center Well you have such a mandate now in education What's that Troy Howard Last time I knew Troy Howard school had an industrial arts over there

00:28:25.72 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

They did but also they the parents wanted to fund that

00:28:31.74 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Correct

00:28:33.32 - Tony Bagley

So to me that's the two biggest things is Augusta and politics and

00:28:37.37 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

and education

00:28:40.09 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

And then same question to him um

00:28:43.46 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

You know there was a split boat underwear we still go along

00:28:47.33 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Support the majority's decision on

00:28:49.30 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

on

00:28:51.53 - Tony Bagley

There's a lot of votes today

00:28:53.53 - Tony Bagley

that hey that's why it's important

00:28:56.90 - Tony Bagley

That's why this is gonna work You all have to agree with the majority rules and you accept it If you can't accept

00:29:04.34 - Tony Bagley

A vote that doesn't go into the country you probably shouldn't be in politics

00:29:08.55 - Tony Bagley

We have to agree to disagree

00:29:12.57 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

So you getting politics

00:29:13.41 - Tony Bagley

politics

00:29:15.50 - Tony Bagley

I'm bored of

00:29:18.92 - Tony Bagley

My pleasure for stepping in No problem

00:29:21.53 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Thank you

00:29:23.24 - Wes Norton

Um I I ask the same question recognizing that you have served for quite a while would you have any interest in serving um again after this uh

00:29:32.05 - Tony Bagley

internal appointment Yes after being out for a couple of years and then joining the water district I missed that um that debate

00:29:39.47 - Tony Bagley

That seeing you know what's going on and and learning as you go So yes we have a new administration over here I think which is

00:29:47.57 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

it's gonna

00:29:49.62 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

like to

00:29:51.79 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Thank you Thank you

00:29:56.23 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

As soon as the appointment

00:29:58.54 - James Gillway

That was my next comment Uh I we're not under the gun I I really appreciate that both candidates have come in to talk but but you're not needing to make a decision Uh you have

00:30:10.51 - James Gillway

2 more 3 more meetings May

00:30:13.32 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

the end

00:30:13.40 - James Gillway

end of

00:30:13.52 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

of May right I'll be here till the end of May so it's not an imminent decision

00:30:18.64 - James Gillway

So if you want to mull it over and

00:30:20.26 - James Gillway

and

00:30:22.11 - Mark Bradstreet

I I would entertain a motion that we table this since we have some time so we can

00:30:26.60 - Mark Bradstreet

implications and make a decision as to do how how

00:30:30.81 - Tony Bagley

Table it

00:30:31.76 - Linda Payson

it to the next meeting

00:30:32.82 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Yes yes

00:30:35.80 - Mark Bradstreet

I have a motion and a second Um is there any discussion

00:30:41.16 - Mark Bradstreet

Seeing none All in favor

00:30:45.00 - Mark Bradstreet

I have 300 4040 to table uh to to the next meeting

00:30:51.27 - Steve Tanguay

Well thank you both for stepping up because a lot of times people aren't there aren't enough people stepping up

00:30:57.42 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Thank you thank you

00:31:00.86 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

OK we're

00:31:01.99 - Mark Bradstreet

moving on to 8E appointments to historic Preservation

00:31:09.90 - Mark Bradstreet

I believe we have one

00:31:11.98 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

application

00:31:14.79 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Um

00:31:16.21 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

For fast

00:31:17.18 - Mark Bradstreet

fast

00:31:19.90 - Mark Bradstreet

We haven't Have we had any other interest No other

00:31:23.79 - James Gillway

You did make a nomination and tabled at the last meeting This is the 2nd meeting of that and you can make the appointment tonight if

00:31:30.87 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

if you could

00:31:32.40 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

OK

00:31:33.29 - Mark Bradstreet

uh if we accepted this application she would be appointed as an alternate cause we moved uh Karen Kelly Doctor Karen Kelly up as um full member

00:31:44.03 - Mark Bradstreet

At at our last meeting Um I will go ahead and make a motion that we accept uh Florence Ambassador onto the board

00:31:53.95 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

As an alternate

00:31:57.07 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Second

00:31:59.07 - Mark Bradstreet

motion in a second Do I hear any discussion

00:32:04.86 - Mark Bradstreet

Seeing none all in favor

00:32:08.24 - Mark Bradstreet

Raise your hand Uh 4 to 0

00:32:12.77 - Mark Bradstreet

Will you notify her uh James or should I do it or I can reject it OK

00:32:19.76 - Mark Bradstreet

All right Moving on to new business Uh we have a uh liquor license um renewal for the HomePort Inn

00:32:30.08 - James Gillway

And I had passed this out two meetings ago or no the beginning of last meeting The Home Court Inn is renewing its license that does not require a hearing and I want to report we've had absolutely no complaints and no issues from the operation of this business in Sears

00:32:51.67 - James Gillway

OK

00:32:52.76 - Mark Bradstreet

With that information um

00:32:55.20 - Mark Bradstreet

Do I have a motion to

00:32:59.37 - Steve Tanguay

Yes Chair I'll make a motion to approve the liquor license for the home port and for the coming year

00:33:07.14 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Do I have a

00:33:08.23 - Mark Bradstreet

I have a motion and a second Uh do I have any discussion on the liquor license application

00:33:15.95 - Mark Bradstreet

None all in favor

00:33:19.90 - Mark Bradstreet

Opposed 40 to renew the application for the home port and liquor license

00:33:27.81 - Mark Bradstreet

OK

00:33:29.47 - Mark Bradstreet

We're asking for a to table 9B the food truck discussion

00:33:37.90 - Mark Bradstreet

I'll make that motion

00:33:39.14 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Do I have a second

00:33:40.77 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Sure

00:33:42.14 - Mark Bradstreet

I have a motion and a second and discussion

00:33:45.14 - Steve Tanguay

Yes what are we discussing in regards to food trucks in the future

00:33:50.58 - James Gillway

I think it's important to talk to the owner of the truck annually Um

00:33:58.25 - Tony Bagley

oh you mean about what we had in

00:33:58.81 - James Gillway

in the

00:33:58.83 - Tony Bagley

the lease

00:33:59.78 - James Gillway

lease situation yeah yeah and this year is a bit different because it's a uh

00:34:04.91 - James Gillway

It's going to be a year of construction and I did talk to JD about this and he does a lot of stuff down there that that maybe some of that falls on us and it'd be nice if he shares that with us too um and we just have a good level beginning of the season understanding and he's willing to come in the next meeting

00:34:28.38 - Tony Bagley

And do we have their insurance

00:34:30.83 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Copy

00:34:33.10 - James Gillway

I am I'll have to double check that If not I'll make sure he brings it with him

00:34:38.66 - Mark Bradstreet

OK Any other discussion

00:34:41.56 - Mark Bradstreet

Hearing none all in favor of tabling uh the food

00:34:44.53 - Tony Bagley

food truck discussion

00:34:47.54 - Mark Bradstreet

No opposed to 40

00:34:55.16 - Mark Bradstreet

And in 9C it seems kind of ironic that we had snow today so um we're here to discuss our snow removal policy

00:35:05.79 - James Gillway

Yeah we've had an unwritten policy for a number of years ever since we actually bought the skid steer for removing snow from sidewalks and but we've never put it to Penn and there's been a lot of questions for the past at least 3 years I get phone calls from 2 or 3 folks at the beginning of each first snowstorm When are you going to shovel the sidewalks

00:35:34.00 - James Gillway

And the answer is exactly the same every year The roads come first because that's a big public safety issue Then we move on to removing snow from the sidewalks and removing them from our parking lots and such There was a question from a resident recently about why we don't start at the school removing snow That should be a priority and obviously

00:36:00.00 - James Gillway

Removing snow so kids can get to school easier is part of our mission but it can't be our number one priority The roads our number one priority Many cities and towns in Maine that do have sidewalks require by their ordinances that landowners remove snow at a designated time after a snow event Portland

00:36:24.75 - James Gillway

Lewiston Auburn Augusta face pretty heavy fines if you don't get the snow off your sidewalk even if it's out back and you have a sidewalk We're not looking for that but nothing prevents a landowner adjacent to a sidewalk from removing that snow if they feel they

00:36:43.22 - James Gillway

You know it's important I didn't live long in a house with a sidewalk but I I snow glowed in front of Dick's house every storm because I didn't like seeing people walking on Route One and that begs the question about getting kids to school You could start at school but kids walk from a distance Some come from Prospect Street

00:37:03.76 - James Gillway

Some come from the east side I see them walking on Route 1 with backpacks That's much more dangerous than Morland Route But but in all we're going to do our level best to clear them as soon as we can People also need to be aware that we have 4 employees in public works We have over 60 miles of road now to maintain And when you start at 0 dark 30 and you plow all night you can't get behind another piece of machinery

00:37:33.00 - James Gillway

And plow all day to remove sidewalk So it's really a matter of using our time as best we can Certainly if we can find some part-time people that are qualified to plow in that little snow removal machine we will do it But for the past 3 years I haven't even been able to find somebody to run a lawn mower and we've been doing the duty of cleaning the cemetery so

00:38:02.32 - James Gillway

This would go on our website This memorializes what our our our policy is and anyone that makes the phone call the first snowstorm next year can be referred to the to the website

00:38:15.68 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

So it's a big communication

00:38:16.13 - Steve Tanguay

communication

00:38:18.06 - Linda Payson

I just wanted to bring out a point that you know in regards to getting the sidewalks cleared for the kids getting to school 9 times out of 10 when we have a big storm there's not going to be any school The kids aren't going to be going that day so we although we do need to make it a priority it's not

00:38:39.27 - Linda Payson

urgent Yeah

00:38:40.23 - James Gillway

no that's a great point I'm sorry I didn't think myself

00:38:44.23 - James Gillway

But sometimes it does lend itself to a day later or two days later because of the nature of the storm and the lack of personnel um but it is it is really important that we clean all the cyborgs as soon as we can

00:39:00.24 - Steve Tanguay

And I think post construction many believe downtown that that was part of the new

00:39:06.69 - Steve Tanguay

Construction model would be to keep the sidewalks clear so we'll communicate this

00:39:13.28 - Steve Tanguay

Better that's maybe a joint effort

00:39:15.57 - Steve Tanguay

effort

00:39:17.32 - James Gillway

Yeah and we do have a couple of members downtown that that shovel pretty pretty religiously We did drop some salt containers down there so that the shop owners if they felt like they wanted to throw after they shovel they could throw some salt out We put them on each side of the road That that has been a pretty successful program Didn't cost us a lot of money It does help to get our sidewalks cleared Fortunately the people on the

00:39:45.86 - James Gillway

On the northbound side uh northern side of the road get a little bit more sunlight and and the snow melts faster but uh but in all I I think you know we we do what we can as best we can

00:40:00.00 - Wes Norton

I don't think this needs to be part of the policy but perhaps somebody posted the website just um reminding folks that those barrels are there and also that for any resident we have staying available at at um the town garage throughout the winter um and just to highlight to your point that if we ever were to want to see this change we'd have some clarity against them what that would require for

00:40:24.15 - Wes Norton

Increase in headca at the town garage So if folks feel adamantly that they want to see more rapid snow removal the halftime position in next year's budget is

00:40:37.14 - Wes Norton

would take and um I think that's worth

00:40:39.59 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

getting out there and and

00:40:41.31 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

making folks realize that

00:40:42.15 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

that

00:40:43.88 - Wes Norton

Beyond what our current staff can do and it would cost

00:40:49.09 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

To to change

00:40:52.63 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

OK

00:40:53.56 - Steve Tanguay

I guess we could put an asterisk

00:40:54.48 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

asterisk under this just put the fact how many miles of roads and

00:41:00.23 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Um

00:41:02.29 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Actually you probably have a 0.5 mile cycle

00:41:06.18 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

And that they were gonna do that like it's more I mean I'm I'm singing room one but you're right

00:41:12.54 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Yeah

00:41:15.38 - Mark Bradstreet

So is there any other discussion on the snow removal policy

00:41:18.35 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

policy

00:41:20.04 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Uh um

00:41:21.49 - Wes Norton

one clarifying so um

00:41:24.41 - Wes Norton

Folks would not assume any liability if they were shoveling How about if they took a snowblower or maybe other

00:41:32.54 - James Gillway

That's how I did it and I don't believe you assume any liability Um it's just a a good good-natured thing to do for the public um and there's no liability from our side and I don't believe from theirs

00:41:46.14 - James Gillway

You always would

00:41:47.03 - James Gillway

would have some level of liability if you're not cautious If you're snow blowing directly into the street and you're hitting cars you probably are going to have some some financial problems

00:42:00.55 - Tony Bagley

So how would they do

00:42:01.10 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

do that

00:42:04.08 - James Gillway

The folks that I see that do clear in downtown they take a shovel to it yeah and they take it right to the edge to the corner and and throw it along the side and then we sweep it up

00:42:16.42 - James Gillway

And the other problem that we have with snow and moving on sidewalks is we'll go up out there we feel you know it's a day or a day later or so we do the sidewalk and then the state comes by with their plow and they wing it all back into our thing and they did that 2 or 3 times this year and it's it's very frustrating because we have to go back and clean again So it doesn't really benefit the town financially to do it twice

00:42:42.53 - James Gillway

So waiting for the state to get on board uh with us is is pretty pretty important to them

00:42:49.58 - James Gillway

And this is a graph so if you want me to add miles of road and and uh and how many sidewalks I'll bring it back to the next meeting

00:42:58.06 - Wes Norton

Do we have any kind of policy that prohibits anyone from parking during a snowstorm

00:43:02.05 - James Gillway

Yes yeah and state law covers that as well If you're impeding the removal of snow you can be towed away

00:43:08.96 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

away How are we going to do that with a new apartment

00:43:12.64 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Situation yeah

00:43:14.65 - James Gillway

we're gonna have some challenges um with that um we do currently with with shop owners who um

00:43:22.94 - James Gillway

But

00:43:26.96 - Mark Bradstreet

OK so um I think that's a good idea putting the milestone because I honestly didn't know how many miles we had to put on there Um so uh I it sounds like we need to table this for uh revision until the next

00:43:41.09 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

uh meeting

00:43:42.96 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Uh

00:43:44.01 - Mark Bradstreet

do I have a do I hear a motion to table the snow removal policy

00:43:50.68 - Steve Tanguay

I'll make that motion

00:43:53.60 - Mark Bradstreet

I have a motion in the second Any discussion all in favor 40

00:44:03.96 - Mark Bradstreet

Next we have the uh we're going into 11th hour

00:44:10.73 - Mark Bradstreet

We have a request here from a Rob Scott

00:44:14.81 - James Gillway

So the steam buckets from Sprague there were 3 towers 4 towers I think at one point but 3 I think towards the end The buckets themselves I guess some might have went to scrap but one in particular went to the main maritime museum down in Bath and they're willing to bring that up and

00:44:41.26 - James Gillway

And give it to the Penobscot Marine Museum since they originated here but they don't have the room or the plan for where to put it just yet so they're asking the town if it would be possible to locate it in Mechanic's Hollow on our property somewhere near or behind the pump station so it could be seen but not necessarily yet a display We could certainly put some sort of a signage on it

00:45:10.79 - James Gillway

Explain what it is but a temporary stay until they figure out how they want to do it They're not really interested in doing anything on the front lawn until they land Big Jim and I don't blame them So that's the request

00:45:30.62 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Any questions in

00:45:32.42 - Mark Bradstreet

in discussion I I have a question Is that

00:45:36.00 - Mark Bradstreet

Uh since it's a bucket does that pose any liability for us for people playing in it

00:45:43.16 - James Gillway

It would have to be clamshelled out in order to sit stable and I don't think there'll be no more than there would be if you had somebody hanging off the statue down here I think obviously if you put any sort of signage on it it would be something to the effect of you know pass at your own risk or something

00:46:07.40 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Uh display the current

00:46:09.79 - James Gillway

I didn't look closely at the picture I don't think it's included in the pictures I I'm not sure how they were displaying it

00:46:17.10 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Suspended

00:46:20.26 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Because

00:46:21.50 - Linda Payson

Is this is possibly the um bucket that my brother spent almost his whole life operating I think it would be fantastic to have it in town

00:46:33.35 - Linda Payson

town

00:46:36.36 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Did they donate a pile of salt that we can put it on top

00:46:42.49 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

That's really simple folder

00:46:46.64 - Wes Norton

If we were to do this what kind of agreement would you look to have with this Is it just like an MOU that you would like to write up

00:46:54.81 - James Gillway

Yeah we'd want to have a uh uh an agreement with them definitely

00:46:59.85 - Wes Norton

I just um encourage us to have a clause for both sides to opt out of the agreement with good notice um and for them to assume all expense with the removal as well as the

00:47:11.57 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

the

00:47:14.84 - Steve Tanguay

Mr Chairman can I make a motion that we authorize the town manager to

00:47:20.99 - Steve Tanguay

Um finalizing memorandum of understanding about uh with the town so we can temporarily display

00:47:29.92 - Steve Tanguay

The steam powered grab bucket until they

00:47:32.68 - Steve Tanguay

The museum is able to figure out a permanent more permanent better solution

00:47:37.72 - Steve Tanguay

For this bucket

00:47:39.51 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

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00:47:40.44 - Mark Bradstreet

I have a motion and a 2nd Do I have any more discussion seeing none all in favor

00:47:47.54 - Tony Bagley

40 approved

00:47:52.42 - Mark Bradstreet

Next we have correspondents

00:47:53.48 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

correspondents

00:47:56.01 - James Gillway

And a number of items

00:47:58.34 - James Gillway

First is a notice from NOAA Our grant for community resilience has been approved finally Uh they'll be sending some final details but and I did today actually I have to fill out some paperwork but what the Community resilience Committee worked on for several months is now forwarded to NOAA above the state and it's fully funded

00:48:22.38 - James Gillway

Uh Next is the good news from the Waldo County commissioners Our tax bill is going up

00:48:31.21 - James Gillway

Uh this is a two-pager so the first is the actual bill that we get identifying how much we have and the second one is nice because it says how we compared to others and what last year was compared to this year And Sears report will be

00:48:49.69 - James Gillway

Uh last year it was \$5,757,000 696 \$757,696 This year is 858,668

00:49:06.05 - James Gillway

And at the end there it shows that for Searsport it is also

00:49:12.07 - James Gillway

Follow it through a 13.33%.

00:49:16.12 - Mark Bradstreet

I

00:49:18.43 - Mark Bradstreet

got that right That's a lot of

00:49:19.00 - Mark Bradstreet

of

00:49:21.11 - James Gillway

Did I read that right guys

00:49:23.73 - James Gillway

Serial

00:49:24.98 - James Gillway

Yeah 13.33% which is not good but I I think the impact was affected by our evaluation

00:49:33.98 - James Gillway

Um other towns went up as much as 21 22% Um so we

00:49:41.41 - James Gillway

Comparatively we didn't it was banner Uh Penobscot Energy Recovery sent a notice we're still on the bypass to landfill Uh the Secretary of State Garry Motor Vehicle sent a notice to me that we are now a permanent new registration uh agency Uh we were without that for a little while but we're due to the good work that's going on uh we've reclaimed that Town of Sport Code Enforcement's informing us of

00:50:10.11 - James Gillway

Uh address changes There's now a 392 Mount Era Road a 15 West Ocean Drive Apartment A and apartment B

00:50:20.09 - James Gillway

And a 3 West Ocean Drive apartment A That's all I have

00:50:26.11 - Mark Bradstreet

Thank you

00:50:29.86 - Mark Bradstreet

And do I have a motion on the treasurer's war

00:50:34.33 - Linda Payson

The commotion that we approved the treasurer's warrant pending signatures

00:50:38.74 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

So that

00:50:40.06 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

On favor

00:50:42.05 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

5540

00:50:47.48 - James Gillway

I'm sorry that's a mistake on the norm on the agenda It's my report

00:50:53.87 - James Gillway

And you do have it

00:51:01.29 - Mark Bradstreet

So there's no other department has the report OK Um do I have a motion to accept the

00:51:09.02 - Mark Bradstreet

report as presented

00:51:11.59 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

So

00:51:12.54 - Mark Bradstreet

And I'll second that 2 Steve OK all in favor I

00:51:19.34 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

none opposed

00:51:19.39 - Mark Bradstreet

opposed

00:51:22.02 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Yeah

00:51:23.88 - Mark Bradstreet

One resident left in the room Do you have any uh comment uh AJ Nope OK moving right along Um I'll entertain a motion for executive session I'll make that motion under

00:51:40.34 - Mark Bradstreet

It is

00:51:44.40 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

6:52 I make a motion

00:51:47.17 - Mark Bradstreet

motion

00:51:49.81 - Mark Bradstreet

Enter into executive session under MRSA 1/4056F confidential general assistance matters and poverty abatement request and MRSA 1/4056 A confidential personnel matters to discuss managers

00:52:17.13 - Mark Bradstreet

Employee stand of

00:52:18.98 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

of control

00:52:21.30 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Do I hear a 2nd I have a 2nd

00:52:25.39 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

So

00:52:27.33 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Today we're going into executive session

00:52:34.37 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Uh

00:52:36.22 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

uh another

00:52:38.82 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

is that something that yeah yeah OK

00:52:43.12 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

we

00:52:45.35 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Let's do uh April 25th so it'll be a week after Cinderella Project

00:52:51.37 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

9 to 12 p.m. on Saturday

00:52:56.59 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

And I'll just

00:52:58.10 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I just saw a couple

00:53:03.04 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

If you understand the

00:53:06.37 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

No I

00:53:08.12 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

You're so big

00:53:11.36 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

OK

00:53:17.02 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Maybe

00:53:18.60 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Do

00:53:19.91 - Wes Norton

you think that we'll have another

00:53:20.84 - Wes Norton

peer meeting later this month or maybe in early May

00:53:25.47 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Yeah but

00:53:27.06 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

OK I make

00:53:27.99 - Mark Bradstreet

make a motion at

00:53:29.26 - Mark Bradstreet

7:14 that we exit our executive

00:53:31.99 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

executive

00:53:36.43 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

So

00:53:38.09 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

We have

00:53:38.30 - Mark Bradstreet

have this motion in

00:53:39.11 - Mark Bradstreet

in a second All in

00:53:40.14 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

in favor 40 go back in

00:53:47.75 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Uh and I

00:53:49.68 - Mark Bradstreet

On the following uh for application

00:53:52.67 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

application

00:53:54.44 - Mark Bradstreet

application

00:53:57.35 - Mark Bradstreet

2613 I'm

00:54:02.41 - Mark Bradstreet

Uh expend up

00:54:03.59 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

up to up to \$400

00:54:09.21 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

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00:54:10.46 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Sorry about that

00:54:11.91 - Mark Bradstreet

Uh in the WP 2613 that we appropriate \$400 for firewood

00:54:19.24 - Mark Bradstreet

Uh in WP 2614 I make a motion that we expend up to \$200 for cleaning supplies

00:54:32.28 - Mark Bradstreet

In the case of WP 2615 I make a motion that we appropriate up to

00:54:41.32 - Mark Bradstreet

\$400 for trash

00:54:44.43 - Mark Bradstreet

including

00:54:46.73 - Mark Bradstreet

Dump stickers

00:54:48.53 - Mark Bradstreet

In the motion of 20 WP 2616

00:54:54.19 - Mark Bradstreet

I motion that we extend

00:54:57.89 - Mark Bradstreet

For 100 gallons of kerosene all of these would come from the jetty launch

00:55:05.55 - Mark Bradstreet

2nd

00:55:07.62 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

and a 2nd

00:55:11.53 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Um it's about

00:55:15.55 - Mark Bradstreet

That's 4 to 0 Those are approved Do I have a motion to adjourn

00:55:19.55 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

adjourn No

00:55:24.01 - Tony Bagley

We have um we have a select reports

00:55:27.32 - Mark Bradstreet

Oh so we are doing a smart on reports OK

00:55:30.45 - Tony Bagley

All right

00:55:32.03 - Tony Bagley

OK good

00:55:33.93 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

It's up to you

00:55:36.17 - Steve Tanguay

Mr Chair I just have two announcements One is that our Searsport spring cleanup day is April 25th

00:55:46.55 - Steve Tanguay

9 to 12 p.m. we'll meet at the Mermaid Plaza and there'll be

00:55:51.35 - Steve Tanguay

Probably yeah as we usually do a little breakfast treat and lunch

00:55:56.92 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

We'll have

00:55:58.09 - Steve Tanguay

bags and gloves but if you can bring your own that's great too and we'll have a dump truck and trailer there to load all We should do a really

00:56:07.42 - Steve Tanguay

A good haul that day We're going to try to do all we can around

00:56:11.94 - Steve Tanguay

Town uptown downtown North Searsport

00:56:15.59 - Steve Tanguay

So we'll coordinate that morning Thank you And the other is

00:56:19.63 - Steve Tanguay

The Cinderella Project in Ma will be they have over 1000 dresses now to choose from

00:56:26.79 - Steve Tanguay

And Mark you can go if you want to but because it's April 17th and 18th and I think you have that weekend free

00:56:33.56 - Steve Tanguay

And the prom dress giveaway is at the Mermaid Plaza

00:56:37.29 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I don't need

00:56:37.61 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

need a new prom dress

00:56:39.37 - Steve Tanguay

But you might know someone that

00:56:41.75 - Steve Tanguay

My

00:56:43.51 - Steve Tanguay

And if you um wanna know more information or make an appointment because you can be fitted as well uh just Google Cinderella Project domain

00:56:53.05 - Steve Tanguay

Thank you

00:56:54.28 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

and west

00:56:56.84 - Wes Norton

Uh we have uh anticipate having another public meeting around the town here We go late in April We'll publicize it widely We just encourage folks to turn out We had a great turnout last time and it was very helpful to gain that kind of input for the project team

00:57:15.55 - James Gillway

I'll add to that We actually advertised that we would meet this Thursday but the engineers aren't ready They did meet with Travis and myself um a couple of weeks ago and some of the input that came from uh from us uh is needs to be incorporated There were some uh real operational things that Travis came up with that were

00:57:37.48 - James Gillway

Not in their mind they're not on their planning uh radar so they're going to incorporate that and I believe have between 2 and 4 different models to present to the public but it will not be this Thursday it'll be later in April

00:57:55.43 - Steve Tanguay

Mr Chairman I had a quick question about the warrant article draft and all the notes

00:58:01.03 - Steve Tanguay

Do you did you take all

00:58:02.08 - Linda Payson

all these I did

00:58:03.08 - Tony Bagley

did not

00:58:04.48 - Steve Tanguay

Well it's helpful

00:58:06.52 - James Gillway

So this this this is AI um those minutes were able to be compiled within a fairly short period of time probably

00:58:15.62 - James Gillway

In all maybe less than an hour um that's from the transcript and we're now saving all the transcripts um on on our server well on on the cloud um so every meeting that we have that gets recorded will have minutes and those can be turned into can be turned right into a set of minutes like that

00:58:38.09 - James Gillway

Thank you

00:58:39.33 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Thank you

00:58:40.42 - Mark Bradstreet

And all I have is I wanna uh I appreciate the confidence that my fellow board members have in electing me as chairman and I'll do the best job I can do

00:58:50.84 - Mark Bradstreet

And now do it

00:58:52.77 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

So look

00:58:56.50 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

All in favor

00:58:59.25 - Mark Bradstreet

40 we are adjourned at 7

00:59:01.18 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

7

00:59:22.15 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

I

00:59:33.03 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

a lot

00:59:35.33 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

So

00:59:37.70 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

OK

00:59:39.02 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Take this down

00:59:41.15 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Come in

00:59:51.85 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Thank you this first

00:59:58.48 - Sabrina DeTurk/ Aj Kock / Rick Coyte

Yeah