

**TOWN OF SMITHFIELD**  
**Summary of the November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**

**PRESENT:**

Richard Moore  
Laurie Landry  
Justin Furbush

**ALSO, PRESENT:** Nichole Clark

Julie Stevens-Giroux Hans Rasmussen  
Louie Batista

**THIS MEETING WAS TAPED AND THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS A BRIEF SUMMARY.**

**The summary of the November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, meeting minutes were accepted.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Update on Proposed Ordinance Work-Tabled**

**2. Town Property Back Line-Done**

The fence was put back up on the back property line. Zip ties were used to connect the two pieces.

**3. Foreclosure Tax Liens**

**a. Maturity Date 12/16/24**

Info for the board

**b. Current Payment Plan 14 Fitzgerald Ln South**

The AA gave the board a printout of the payments paid for the payment plan for 14 Fitzgerald Ln South.

**c. Agreement to Pay Payments, Belomizi M9 Lot 15**

The AA spoke with the Belomizi's about a payment agreement for their property known as Map 9 Lot 15. The agreement states that a weekly payment of at least \$50.00 will be paid starting in December of 2024 until the 2021-2024 taxes are paid in full. The AA will send the agreement to the Belomizi's and have it signed and sent back. Justin Furbush motioned to sign the agreement. Laurie Landry seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**4. Ballfield Parking Lot Edges**

The board discussed having the ballfield parking lot edges filled in before the winter plowing starts. The AA gave the board the balance in the ARPA money appropriated for the ballfield work. The ARPA amount appropriated was \$60,690.15 and the expenses so far total \$61,249.00. The board agreed that there is no money in the

budget to have the whole parking lot done. Rick Moore motioned to have the two entrances areas done and not to exceed \$1,000.00. Laurie Landry seconded the motion. Motion passed.

#### **5. ARPA Balance**

The ARPA amount appropriated was \$60,690.15 and the expenses so far total \$61,249.00.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **1. Norridgewock Recreation Committee Town Rep**

The board appointed Bobby Jo Welch as the representative for the Norridgewock Cal-Ripken board at the November 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. The AA received multiple calls and messages from town residents inquiring about why the board appointed Bobby Jo. The AA was told that there were two other Smithfield residents that were interested in the position. After many conversations with residents and the Norridgewock Town Manager, the AA informed all that unless Bobby Jo Welch submitted a letter resigning from the position, the board is staying with the appointment.

#### **2. Update on Generator (power switch)**

The AA updated the board that after the block was replaced on the generator, the switch was still tripping. Mid Maine Generators will order a new switch and see if that will solve the problem.

#### **3. E911 Signs**

Justin Furbush was asked to go look at Yvonne Ln sign after a resident called and said it was twisted. Justin found that someone had removed the sign and the post and put them in a different place and twisted the sign. Patty Ln was also found twisted. Yvonne Ln and Patty Ln signs will need to be twisted back in the correct position and Yvonne Ln sign will need to be moved back to the correct location.

#### **4. Set Fee for Building Notice Application?**

The AA asked the board if a fee needed to be set for the updated Building Notice (Intent to Build) application. The board agreed not to put a fee on it.

#### **5. Somerset County Hazard Mitigation Plan-Tabled**

#### **6. Delta Ambulance**

The board received a letter from Delta Ambulance with information about the financial stability of the company and about the increase in the contract for 2025-26.

## **7. Fire Department**

Louie Batista, Fire Chief updated the board on the new rescue truck schedule. Louie also informed the board that the State would be in the do an inspection on the Fire Department.

## **8. Budget 2025**

### **a. Set Dates**

The board set the following dates for Budget Workshops for the 2025-26 town budget. January 6<sup>th</sup>, January 14<sup>th</sup>, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, & February 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **b. Paving**

The board received pricing for paving from Pike Industries.

## **9. Adjourn and Sign Warrant #22-24**