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**SELECTMEN'S MINUTES
JUNE 20, 2006**

1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE TO FLAG. The Chairman called the meeting to order and led the pledge to the flag at 7:00 PM.
2. ROLL CALL. Members present were Paul Chizmar, Ed Madden, Charles Smith, and Chairman Michael Bowie. Layne Curtis was excused. Also present were Curtis Lunt, Town Manager; Roger Therriault, Town Attorney; Ryan Leighton, Town Engineer; Rodney Moody, Finance Director; David Brooks, Chief of Police; Elwood Beal, Public Works Director; Wayne Ricker, Waste Management Director; and approximately 39 citizens in the audience. The Assistant Town Clerk read the meeting rules.
3. PUBLIC HEARINGS. None.
4. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Madden, moved to approve the following consent agenda items:

- **5.237 Mass Gathering Permit – Androscoggin County Chamber of Commerce**
- **7.1 School Warrant 1084**
- **7.2 Payroll Warrants 49 & 50**
- **7.3 Town Warrant 23**
- **10.1 Written Communications – Minutes of 5/15/2006 and 6/6/2006.**

Vote 4-0 carried.

5. SCHEDULED ITEMS

5.237 MASS GATHERING PERMIT – ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. See Consent Agenda.

5.238 RIVERSIDE TRAIL RIDERS REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO USE TOWN PROPERTY. David Rider requested use of a portion of the landfill for trail purposes for the newly established ATV club, the Riverside Trail Riders. The Town Attorney stated that the permission would be in the nature of an easement, and would require Town Meeting, though after July 1st the Town Council could grant the permission without one. Mr. Rider stated that although the club would need the permission in order to apply for a grant, which has a deadline of July 1st, that they could raise the money in other ways if needed.

Mr. Ricker explained that there are no clear markings indicating the boundaries of the 189-acre lot, and that it would be costly to hire a surveyor to mark them. Mr. Rider stated that he would gladly obtain landowner

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permission from the abutters, which would set aside the need for such a cost. Mr. Ricker also expressed concern regarding fenced-off areas – including fragile membranes – that need to be avoided, and the history of bird and deer hunting in the area, which could be hazardous. Mr. Rider explained that the State would be examining the trail for hazards, and would not allow the trail to be in a dangerous area. Mr. Rider offered that the Club could work out a November 1st shut down with only clean-up access for snowmobiles until April if the Town wished it.

Chief Brooks spoke to 12 residents regarding access to public ways, and only 3 were not in favor, and were mainly concerned about speed. Ed Wall stated that the access point on Kennebec Drive is part of a watershed area, and has significant traffic at all times. Mr. Rider stated that the Club is sensitive to the needs of the townspeople and is willing to reroute the trails as needed.

Nancy Ridley of Miller Rd. stated concerns about current ATV riders who drive at high speeds and are loud at all hours of the day and night, and that the dead end road would experience heavy traffic, potentially endangering her grandchildren. Mr. Rider explained that the ATVs Ms. Ridley described are riding illegally, and that the Club would police the area to reduce or remove illegal activities by taking photos, turning in plate numbers, and speaking with riders to encourage safer, more polite use. Mr. Rider added that a noise ordinance is in effect, and that a meter is available to measure the noise. Nate Brissette, also of Miller Rd., offered that the Club could reroute the trail through his driveway and behind the house to reduce street traffic.

Mr. Bowie stated that there is a need to address property lines, potential cutting, and ensure State and DEP involvement, and directed Mr. Rider to work with Mr. Lunt and Mr. Ricker to address problems before going before the Council. Mr. Bowie said that he would recommend a public hearing to the Council.

5.239 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT 4x4 TRUCK BIDS. Mr. Beal said that bids were opened last Friday, and that the truck he recommends includes a superior plow at a huge discount. Mr. Wall stated that the v-plow included would pay for itself in saved man-hours and fuel because of the design being faster.

Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Chizmar, moved to accept a bid of \$24,900 from Emerson Chevrolet of Auburn and authorize a five-year lease plan. Vote 4-0 carried.

5.240 POLICE CRUISER BIDS. Chief Brooks stated he recommended four rather than five cars because he discovered on Friday that they were paying more in gas in May than budgeted for the 06-07 year. Rather than spend the money, it would be set aside and dedicated for next year. Chief Brooks also stated that though the Chevy Impala bids were lower, the maintenance over time would not be worth the price difference, especially since none of them can use older parts, only new.

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Mr. Madden, seconded by Mr. Smith, moved to accept a bid from Quirk Auto for 4 2006 Crown Victoria cruisers at \$20,703 and authorize a trade-ins of 3 cars and a three-year lease plan. Vote 4-0 carried.

5.241 YEAR-END TRANSFER REQUESTS.

	<u>Transfer To</u>		
	Original Appro	Transfer	Ending Appro.
10142290 Legal	\$ 27,000.00	\$ 16,824.00	\$ 43,824.00
10142291 Legal Charter Commission	\$ -	\$ 4,229.00	\$ 4,229.00
11003370 Police Gasoline	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 24,500.00
11103370 Fire Gas & Diesel	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 6,700.00
11402244 Street Lights	\$ 79,962.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 86,462.00
12001120 Solid Waste Wage	\$ 81,660.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 88,660.00
12003331 Solid Waste Repair Parts	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 12,947.00	\$ 19,447.00
13503301 MTM Fuel	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 3,242.00	\$ 16,242.00
13705590 Social Security	\$ 188,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 197,000.00
14823340 Teen Ctr. Utilities	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,068.00	\$ 5,068.00
12503390 Town Building Gas	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 14,081.00	\$ 27,081.00
11302270 Hydrant Rental	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 47,708.00	\$ 197,708.00
		Total: \$ 132,099.00	

	<u>Transfer From</u>		
	Original Appro	Transfer	Ending Appro.
11001120 Police Wage	\$ 707,669.00	\$ (41,000.00)	\$ 666,669.00
11002210 Police Communications	\$ 9,000.00	\$ (1,500.00)	\$ 7,500.00
11101112 Firefighters Wage	\$ 96,114.00	\$ (16,000.00)	\$ 80,114.00
11102250 Fire Repair & Maintenance	\$ 13,500.00	\$ (8,000.00)	\$ 5,500.00
11104452 Boiler ET Smith Carryfwd	\$ 9,343.00	\$ (5,000.00)	\$ 4,343.00
11601120 Public Works Wage	\$ 358,669.00	\$ (9,300.00)	\$ 349,369.00
11602271 Public Works Tree Removal	\$ 11,690.00	\$ (9,500.00)	\$ 2,190.00
11603371 Public Works Diesel	\$ 22,440.00	\$ (7,000.00)	\$ 15,440.00
12002271 Solid Waste Disposal	\$ 222,000.00	\$ (9,250.00)	\$ 212,750.00
12002277 Wood Waste Disposal	\$ 40,000.00	\$ (10,000.00)	\$ 30,000.00
13502204 MTM Boiler Maintenance	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (2,292.00)	\$ 708.00
13502203 MTM Plowing	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (950.00)	\$ 550.00
14405520 Debt Interest	\$ 108,198.00	\$ (2,672.00)	\$ 105,526.00
14821111 Teen Coordinator	\$ 22,726.00	\$ (2,068.00)	\$ 20,658.00
12504420 Town Building	\$ 10,100.00	\$ (1,959.00)	\$ 8,141.00
11412200 Traffic Signal Modification	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (3,000.00)	\$ -
13105000 Grant Match	\$ 12,889.00	\$ (2,000.00)	\$ 10,889.00
11803320 Health Officer Medical Sup	\$ 1,150.00	\$ (608.00)	\$ 542.00
		Total: \$(132,099.00)	

Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Madden, moved to approve the list of transfers dated June 15, 2006 for presentation to the Advisory Board, with the following adjustments:

- **\$36,350 from police line instead of \$41,000**
- **\$828 from Town Building instead of \$1,959**

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- **Remove transfers from grant match and debit services**
- **Replace with funds from Engineering Professionals**
- **\$1,087 from Assessing supplies**
- **\$2,156 from Technology Committee**
- **\$1,018 from Building Construction**
- **\$1,520 from Fire SCUBA Packs.**

Vote 4-0 carried.

5.242 LIBRARY RENOVATION PLANS/QUOTES. Diane Nadeau presented a renovation plan to make necessary improvements to the current Lisbon Falls building. The plans included removing hazards, and improving handicap access, doors, and heating and cooling in the children's room. A lot of local vendors will be used for the small project, which will be funded by the sale of the Lisbon Village Library. Ms. Nadeau also stated that they are looking for donations of local labor from construction companies, and are hoping to have the newly purchased building demolished as a gift by an unnamed company. Mr. Therriault added that the Town couldn't use the library sale for purchase of other buildings unless it can be classified as a renovation of the Lisbon Falls library.

Mr. Chizmar, seconded by Mr. Smith, moved to accept the renovation proposal budget of \$61,976. Vote 4-0.

5.243 SABATTUS RIVER BOAT LAUNCH PLANS. Paving tests had been performed that day, and results were not yet available. Mr. Leighton stated that if the results do not allow paving, they would regroup. Mr. Leighton added that planting would probably have to wait until September. Davis Landscaping offered a superior bid that included the same specifics as the Park & Ride and was well within the budget.

Norris Ingersoll stated that the Department of Conservation, Bureau of Parks and Lands has funds for boating facilities available, and that they could send someone to the boat launch to examine the site. The available grant would cover as much as 100% of the funding as long as FERC is not making improvements and the Town owns the property. The Selectmen agreed to table the issue until the property ownership is verified and the funding option is explored.

5.244 SET 2006-07 SEWER RATE. Mr. Bowie stated that, to address public concerns efficiently, he would like information about the proposed 13.9% increase to be placed on the web page as soon as possible. **Mr. Madden, seconded by Mr. Smith, moved to set the rate at \$4.50 per hundred cubic feet for 2006-07. Vote 4-0 carried.**

5.245 TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT.

Mr. Lunt worked with Mr. Moody on budgets and purchasing issues, scheduled a meeting with the Advisory Board for School and Town transfers

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for Monday July 26th at 6:30 PM, and reduced Department Head independent spending to \$250 until the end of the fiscal year.

Mr. Lunt met with Norris Ingersoll, Trails Commission Chairman, to discuss improvements in communication and a possible application for a Frost Hill Avenue segment. In addition, Mr. Lunt worked with Mr. Leighton to resolve right-of-way issues regarding the Mill Street/Upland Road segment.

Mr. Lunt worked with the Public Works Department on Park & Ride construction, paving specifics, and street list order.

Mr. Lunt has been recruiting for candidates for the many committee vacancies, and requested input from the Selectmen regarding nominations for the Legislative Policy Committee of MMA.

Mr. Lunt worked with Roger Therriault, Town Attorney, on a Council orientation agenda for Tuesday, June 27th, and Twila Lycette, Town Clerk, on the Council Inauguration scheduled for July 1st at 7:00 PM.

6. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION. None.
7. WARRANTS. See Consent Agenda.
8. APPOINTMENTS. None.
9. GOOD NEWS & RECOGNITION. Mr. Smith complimented Mr. Beal on his work on the Park & Ride. Mr. Bowie thanked Mr. Madden and Mr. Chizmar for their service on the Board.
10. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

10.1 MINUTES OF 5/15/2006 AND 6/6/2006. See Consent Agenda.

11. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS.
Mr. Smith noted that a truck had hit a banner on 196 describing the Moxie Festival, and dragged it down. He cautioned that in the future whoever hangs them should be more aware of the height and security of the banner.

Mr. Madden thanked Ms. Nadeau and Chief Brooks, and stated that he would be visiting every department he could to say goodbye.

Mr. Bowie expressed concern that the flags tied to the telephone poles might be damaged due to their proximity to the phone-company boxes. Mr. Beal explained that there should already be enough slack as to prevent damage. Mr. Bowie asked that a letter of thanks be sent to Camille Rossignol for his service on the Library Governing Board since he has retired. Mr. Bowie also asked Mr. Lunt to look into possible funding from the Hazardous Mitigation Grant.

Mr. Lunt stated that he and Mr. Madden would be attending a seminar on the Asian flu.

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Mr. Lunt explained that he had not heard anything further about Route 9 from the legislators, but that he is following up with Mr. Cowan and will not give up, even if it means locating alternative funding. Chief Brooks said that there have not been any fatal accidents there this year, and that the Town has been fortunate.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION. Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Madden, moved to enter into Executive Session at 9:22 PM to discuss the following items:

- **12.1 Labor Negotiations – MRSA Title 1 Chapter 13 Section 405(6)D**
- **12.2 Legal – Code Enforcement – MRSA Title 1 Chapter 13 Section 405(6)E.**

Vote 4-0 carried. The recorder was dismissed. The Selectmen came out of executive session at 10:18 PM.

Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Madden, moved to approve a 2-year labor contract for the Police Sergeants with the Teamsters Union. Vote 4-0 carried.

Mr. Chizmar, seconded by Mr. Smith, moved to approve a 2-year labor contract for the Public Works Department employees with the Teamsters Union. Vote 4-0 carried.

13. ADJOURNMENT. Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Madden, moved to adjourn at 10:20 PM. Vote 4-0 carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Juliet LeBlond, Assistant Town Clerk
Lisbon Town Clerk's Office

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