Town of Newry Selectmen Meeting Minutes

April 22, 2025 @ 5:00pm

**Selectperson’s Present:** Virgil Conkright, Gary Wight, Mandy Berry

**Staff present**: Loretta Powers (Town Administrator), Amy R. Henley (Deputy Clerk, Rec. Sec.), Joelle Corey (Code Enforcement/LPI/Road Commissioner)

**Others present:** Ted Baker, Brooks Morton, Kelly Mathieson, Suzanne Wight

**Signing of Warrants:** all approved

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Selectman Conkright made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2025 meeting. Selectman Berry 2nd the motion; unanimous vote.

**Adjustment to the Agenda:**

**Public Comment**: Brooks Morton asked who was running for Select Board and is wondering if he can do a candidate forum. He was advised Rose Lincoln had made inquiries to the candidates and is going to contact her.

**Announcements**:

**Public Hearings and Possible Action:**

Reviewed the following ordinances:

Amendments to the United Development Review Ordinance

Amendments to Land Use and Building Code Ordinance

Town of Newry Vacation Rental Registration Ordinance

Town of Newry Town Road Entrance Ordinance

Addressing Ordinance for the Town of Newry

**Items for Discussion and Possible Action:**

**~ACO request for money toward training ~**

Selectman Berry made a motion to approve $35 for travel expenses for ACO training. Selectman Conkright 2nd the motion; unanimous vote.

**~Appoint Joelle as Inspecting Official for minor subdivision~**

Selectman Berry made a motion to appoint Joelle, CEO, as the Inspecting Official for the Monkey Brook Subdivision. Selectman Conkright 2nd the motion; unanimous vote.

**~Review & Approve Conditional Agreement in lieu of financial guarantee~**

Motion tabled to next meeting as do not have information yet.

**~Review of summer road work~**

Summer work was reviewed. See attached.

**~Review of Oxford County Assessors Return~**

Reviewed County Budget which is up 16.85% to $1,478,539.

**~Review & Sign warrant~**

Selectman Berry made a motion to sign the warrant for Town Meeting. Selectman Conkright 2nd the motion; unanimous vote.

**Road Commissioner/Code Officer Report:**

No report as spoke during meeting.

**Clerk Report:**

Sent out 179 post cards to taxpayers who still have a balance due.

Sent out 4 Final notices from ACO. Have had 1 come in to license their dog.

Did make good progress cleaning the emergency exit in the rear of the Grange Hall.

**TAdmin Report:**

Heather from Pest Shield gave quarterly quotes of $125 for the Grange, $125 for Town office and Bear River Fire Station and $115 for Sunday River Fire Station with a one time fee of $100-$200 at the Grange for rodent control. Selectman Conkright made a motion to proceed with the pest control. Selectman Berry 2nd the motion; unanimous vote.

Postal rates are set to increase in July.

Selectman Berry made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:49PM. Selectman Wight 2nd the motion; unanimous vote.

**Next Meeting**:

May 6, 2025, 9:00 am at the Town Office.

**Refer to audio recording for verbatim discussion of meeting.**

Minutes Approve by***:***

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Gary Wight Chairman

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Virgil Conkright

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Mandy Berry