

Minutes

NAME	ATTEND
Denise Munger, Chair	✓
Eric Boucher, Vice-Chair	✓
Kim Graffam	✓
Michael Thompson	✓
Jonathan Duke, Town Manager	✓
Rockport AV Staff	✓
General Public	✓



May 13, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

GCPR – Opera House

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve School Warrants
- b. Approve Meeting Minute(s):
 - April 8, 2024, Meeting Minutes
 - April 9, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Manager's Comments: Action item

The school warrants require Board approval but ultimately this is a "rubber stamping" of a process the school districts already possess.

Suggested Motion:

I move the Board Approve the Consent Agenda as presented (or amended)

NAME	MOTION	SECOND	ABSTAIN	YES	NO	Time
Denise Munger, Chair						
Eric Boucher, Vice-Chair						
Kim Graffam		✓				
Michael Thompson	✓					

Action Item

a. Comprehensive Plan Committee

I move the Board approve Debra Hall and Bill Bow as members of the Comprehensive Plan Committee.

Kim - motion
Eric - second

4 yes

Action Item

a. ~~1~~ Act on Opera House fee schedule

Manager's Comments: Action item

Attached in your packet are the current and new opera house fee schedules. On an semi-annual basis we review these rates, and we believe that it is time to increase the rates to match what other facilities are getting. Most notably, our needs for technical services and the costs to provide that service have increased. To avoid operating in the red in offering events such as these, we must augment our rate structure. In addition, we have also made significant improvements to the space to make it more accommodating and inviting.

Suggested Motion:

I move the Board approve the Opera House fee schedule as presented. (or amended).

NAME	MOTION	SECOND	ABSTAIN	YES	NO	Time
Denise Munger, Chair						
Eric Boucher, Vice-Chair		✓				
Kim Graffam	✓					
Michael Thompson						

Additional Comments:

Action Item

b. Act on Election Warden Appointment

Manager's Comments: Action item

Every state election managed by a Maine municipality must have a warden appointed to oversee the operations of the elections and the activities of the ballot clerks, moderator, and town clerks. Town staff have taken on a larger role in this process of late and our Assessing Clerk Rebecca Ewen is willing take on this aspect of the operation of the election. A warden needn't be a resident of the Town where the election is held, nor do they actually need to be a registered voter.

Suggested Motion:

I move the Board approve Rebecca Ewen as election warden.

NAME	MOTION	SECOND	ABSTAIN	YES	NO	Time
Denise Munger, Chair						
Eric Boucher, Vice-Chair						
Kim Graffam	✓					
Michael Thompson		✓				

Additional Comments:

Action Item

c. Act on Quitclaim Deed Map T02, Lot A07-018

Manager's Comments: Action item

The purpose of this deed is to release any interest the Town of Rockport may have acquired by reason of the following lien(s) for unpaid taxes for George T. Walker for 2021 Tax Lien, Book 5939, Page 45 and 2022 Tax Lien, Book 6048, Page 271.

Suggested Motion:

I move the Board approve the Quitclaim Deed as presented. (or amended).

NAME	MOTION	SECOND	ABSTAIN	YES	NO	Time
Denise Munger, Chair						
Eric Boucher, Vice-Chair						
Kim Graffam		✓				
Michael Thompson	✓					

Additional Comments:

Action Item

d. Act on Quitclaim Deed Map T01, Lot A05-004

Manager's Comments: Action item

The purpose of this deed is to release any interest the Town of Rockport may have acquired by reason of the following lien(s) for unpaid taxes for George T. Walker for 2021 Tax Lien, Book 5939, Page 44 and 2022 Tax Lien, Book 6048, Page 270.

Suggested Motion:

I move the Board approve the Quitclaim Deed as presented. (or amended).

NAME	MOTION	SECOND	ABSTAIN	YES	NO	Time
Denise Munger, Chair						
Eric Boucher, Vice-Chair						
Kim Graffam		✓				
Michael Thompson	✓					

Additional Comments:

Action Item

e. Act on Quitclaim Deed Map T03, Lot B02-046

Manager's Comments: Action item

The purpose of this deed is to release any interest the Town of Rockport may have acquired by reason of the following lien(s) for unpaid taxes for George T. Walker for 2021 Tax Lien, Book 5939, Page 43 and 2022 Tax Lien, Book 6048, Page 269.

Suggested Motion:

I move the Board approve the Quitclaim Deed as presented. (or amended).

NAME	MOTION	SECOND	ABSTAIN	YES	NO	Time
Denise Munger, Chair						
Eric Boucher, Vice-Chair	✓					
Kim Graffam		✓				
Michael Thompson						

Additional Comments:

Action Item

f. Act on Quitclaim Deed Map 026, Lot 217

Manager's Comments: Action item

The purpose of this deed is to release any interest the Town of Rockport may have acquired by reason of the following lien(s) for unpaid taxes for Richard Benner for 2021 Tax Lien, Book 5938, Page 297.

Suggested Motion:

I move the Board approve the Quitclaim Deed as presented. (or amended).

NAME	MOTION	SECOND	ABSTAIN	YES	NO	Time
Denise Munger, Chair						
Eric Boucher, Vice-Chair						
Kim Graffam		✓				
Michael Thompson	✓					

Additional Comments:

Discussion Item

*June 12 at
6 PM*

- a. Discuss preferred time for Organizational Meeting on June 12th

Manager's Comments:

The Town Charter requires the Board to meet soon after the Annual Town Meeting to elect officers and resolve some other minor housekeeping details at the start of the new year. Due to three seats being up for election, establishing this time will be a challenge but we will look to see the open times on the 12th for returning Board members and all of those on the ballot. This meeting potentially could occur remotely but it would be best to accomplish in person.

Additional Comments:

Adjourn

Suggested Motion:

I move the Board adjourn the meeting.

NAME	MOTION	SECOND	ABSTAIN	YES	NO	Time
Denise Munger, Chair						
Eric Boucher, Vice-Chair	✓					
Kim Graffam		✓				
Michael Thompson						