

Town of Eustis  
Selectboard Meeting  
January 9, 2024

Present: Steve St. Jean, Justin Wyman, Jeff Lecander, Linda Marzelli, & Carol Sherrier

Attending: Rachel, Tina, Sprague, Chirstine Hobbs, Tony lojas, Amy Richard, Matt Richard, LeeAnna Lavoie & Kirk Williams

Justin made a motion to accept the minutes from the meeting on December 27, 2023, Jeff 2<sup>nd</sup> Steve, Justin, Jeff, Carol, & Linda in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

The board went over all the changes to the budget and letters sent by department heads and organizations requesting money.

Steve made a motion to write a letter of support to Community Concepts for applying for funding from USDA- Rural Development to assist families in owning their own homes, Jeff 2<sup>nd</sup> Steve, Justin, Jeff, Carol, & Linda in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

The board spoke with Sprague about a committee that resides between the 2 bridges in town to help open and organize an emergency shelter in the event we need one. The Town will put out a post on Facebook asking for volunteers to be on the committee.

Steve made a motion to accept the Return Check Policy as written with a few grammatical corrections, Justin 2<sup>nd</sup>, Steve, Justin, Jeff, Carol, & Linda in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Audra Swanson the Tax Assessor has requested a pay increase from \$20,000 to \$24,000 Annually.

Steve made a motion to increase Audra Swanson pay to \$24,000 annually but to share all expenses of training with other towns she is contracted with for assessing. Justin 2<sup>nd</sup>, Steve, Justin, Jeff, Carol, & Linda in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Rachel spoke with the board about moving money into CDs It will be discussed more at the next meeting.

Household Hazardous Waste Day will be May 11, 2024, for the Transfer Station.

Rachel has requested the town office get new paint inside after all the work that has and will be done. She has got one quote and will work on getting 2 more before the next meeting to get it worked into the budget.

Rachel presented Government Window an interface with trio that accepts credit card payments, online payments, and E-checks. Customers have expressed interest in wanting to make online payments for taxes, and not send checks in the mail. This would allow the taxpayer to pay less of a fee than they would using a credit card. Steve would like more information. The fees associated with this are \$2850.00 for start up and \$250 fee each year. The board would like to make sure that the \$250 fee is all the yearly fees will be. Should the town have this expense for the convenience of the taxpayers?

Sprague spoke about the heaters at the Fire Station, one is not working at all and will need to be replaced this year.

When discussing the park budget, it was brought up that Carol and other residents would like to use the school for pickleball. She will talk to Barry London about this.

Steve made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Justin 2<sup>nd</sup> Steve, Justin, Jeff, Carol, & Linda in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

All town and water dept warrants were signed.

This meeting was recorded.

Attested: *Rachel Williams*