



**TOWN OF ROME, MAINE  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING  
March 11, 2024 - MINUTES**

Kelly Archer, 1<sup>st</sup> Selectman called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 6:00 PM. 2<sup>nd</sup> Selectman Larry DiPietro, Jr. was present. Also present for all or parts of the meeting were Tammy Lyons, Abby DiPietro, Joan Orr, Larry Stafford, and Gary Foss.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

*A motion was made by DiPietro to accept the minutes of February 26, 2024, Seconded by Archer. Approved 2-0-1*

March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024, meeting minutes tabled.

The Board reviewed and signed appointment papers for Town appointed positions. The signed papers were passed on to the Town Clerk, Julie Morrison for completion and signing by the appointed individual.

The Board discussed the creation of committees and what they feel is necessary to form a complete committee. The items requested would be a charter, chair and co-chair, secretary, voting members, agendas, and meeting minutes to be posted. Applications are encouraged for all committees – new and established.

The Board discussed the possibility of creating consistent terms throughout each committee. As new committees are formed, they shall also follow the terms.

Fire chief, Gary Foss was in attendance and made the Board aware that he denied receiving a forestry truck out of Pennsylvania. Foss felt that the cost to transport the vehicle was not practical at this time. Foss stated that there is still a possibility of receiving a truck closer to home. Foss is also seeking estimates to make the necessary changes to the 225 Fire station to store a forestry truck when or if the Town receives one.

Admin assistant, Abby DiPietro has started receiving estimates for crack sealing; additional estimates are still expected.

On Sunday March 10<sup>th</sup>, second Selectman, DiPietro worked on a portion of Jamaica Point Road that had flooded due to excessive rain and an iced-up culvert. DiPietro worked with contractor Rick Labbe and was able to get the culvert blockage opened up. The remainder of the town roads were also checked and other washouts that will need to be repaired were found.

Tax Collector and Treasurer Tammy Lyons presented the Board with the final warrant for the previous meeting. Lyons also presented a proposal she has received from Harris regarding printing and mailing of the annual tax bills. Harris has offered a better price than the previous company she has used in the past.

The Board spoke with Lyons and Joan Orr, who was in attendance to represent the Budget Committee. Orr presented questions that the Budget Committee has regarding warrant articles from the March 9<sup>th</sup> referred meeting. During the discussion questions for the assessor were posed. The assessor will be in the office on March 12, 2024, to answer any questions.

Lyons presented the Board with donations to the Fire and Rescue Dept for approval.

*A motion was made by DiPietro to accept donations to the Fire/Rescue Department totaling \$575. Seconded by Archer. Approved 2-0-1*

*A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:58pm by DiPietro and seconded by Archer. Approved 2-0-1.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Abby DiPietro  
Administrative Assistant  
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**Next regularly scheduled Select Board's Meeting will be held on**

**Monday, March 25, 2024 @ 6:00 PM**

**Special Meeting Scheduled for Monday, March 18, 2024 @ 6:00 PM.**