

**TOWN OF ROME, MAINE  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
AUGUST 19, 2019  
MINUTES**

Chairman Paul Anderson called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 5:00 pm in the Selectmen's Office at the Rome Community Center. Selectmen Anderson, Stratton and Archer were present. Also present for all or parts of the meeting were Andrew Marble, Town Attorney Sally Daggett (by phone), Pierrette Kelly, Andrew Cook, Sandra and Fred Gagnon, Richard LaBelle, Deborah Henry, Larry Garrison, Tammy Lyons, Cecil Merry and Carroll Bubar.

Anderson/Archer        Motion made to enter executive session with the Town Attorney pursuant to *1 M.R.S. Section 405(6)(E) to discuss the pending litigation matter of Inhabitants of the Town of Rome, et al. vs. Larry DiPietro, et al.*  
Anderson, Stratton, Archer in favor (3-0)

Stratton/Archer        Motion made to exit executive session at 5:44 pm  
Anderson, Stratton, Archer in favor (3-0)

Recitation of Pledge of Allegiance

Anderson/Stratton       Motion to approve August 5, 2019 meeting minutes.  
Anderson, Stratton, Archer in favor (3-0)

Public Comment:

A request was made that when the Board plans on having a public hearing regarding the DiPietro case that it be scheduled for in the evening.

Larry Garrison remarked how nice the Rome beach is looking.

The Recreation committee has planned their annual tag sale for Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at the Rome Community Center from 9a-12p; donations may be dropped at the Rome Community Center during the Clerk's office hours.

Road Commissioner Report:

Road Commissioner Carroll Bubar reported that it is time to start stockpiling sand and salt. The town will order the same amounts as last year.

Cecil Merry of Pavement Plus, approves of the new snow plow contract. A new contract will be drawn up as soon as the Board has the locations of all of the school bus turn arounds.

Mr. Bubar also stated that he would like to see the salt shed parking area paved. Bubar will bring in an estimate including the repair of the sand box.

Roadside mowing has been completed.

Code Enforcement Report:

Andrew Marble reported he has had many E911 address issues on private roads. Mr. Marble has made several attempts at correcting these issues with GPS companies such as Garmin.

Marble stated he has had a few small building permits, but nothing large currently.

Tax Collector/Treasurer Report:

Tax collector and Treasurer Tammy Lyons provided the Board with the Towns policy regarding tax liens. Lyons reported on last meetings question concerning liens that were filed not using the updated forms. The Board was shown an email from Richard Flewelling, Senior Staff Attorney with the Maine Municipal Association. Out of the 67 liens only 4 were in question because of the homestead exemption. Of the 4 Mr. Flewelling considers these to be valid. Richard LaBelle expressed that he disagrees with MMA's recommendation. The Board agreed with the MMA Senior Staff Attorney.

Liquor License Inquires:

Selectman Kelly Archer contacted MMA legal department and was given a link for the step by step process for a Town to vote to allow the sale of liquor. The Board will look over the information and report back at a later date.

Old Business:

Selectman Archer explained that there is an issue with the recent decision on dump stickers. In order to write the plate number and expiration date on them we would need to go with a clear window-lite label (static cling material).

Archer/Stratton            Motion to order 1000 dump stickers, in the amount of \$444, of the clear window-lite style labels.  
Anderson, Stratton, Archer in favor (3-0)

Selectman Lois Stratton suggest that the Town posts that we are in need of a Selectman's Assistant and a Deputy for the Town Clerk and Motor Vehicle Registration. Andrew Marble said he had someone in mind and would make inquires as well.

Stratton/Archer            Motion to appoint Andrew Marble as representative for the Town of Rome on a steering committee to develop the Great Pond Management Plan.  
Anderson, Stratton, Archer in favor (3-0)

Anderson/Stratton        Motion to appoint Carroll Bubar as an alternate Rec. Committee member.  
Anderson, Stratton, Archer in favor (3-0)

Anderson/Archer            Motion to adjourn.  
Anderson, Stratton, Archer in favor (3-0)

Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kelly Archer  
Third Selectman