

**MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 1, 2024**  
**GOULDSBORO BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING**

Zoom Meeting

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Present: Dana Rice, Sr., Jackie Weaver, Danny Mitchell Jr., Peter McKenzie, Robert Harmon  
Staff: Eve Wilkinson, Town Manager and Rachel Hudson, Deputy Town Clerk  
Audience: Ten (10) – Four (4) Virtual Zoom

Meeting held at the Gouldsboro Town Office, Prospect Harbor, ME.  
Mr. Rice opened the meeting at 5:00PM.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 18, 2024:**

Mr. Mitchell moved to approve the minutes of January 18, 2024: 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Harmon. Passed 5/0.

**PAYROLL WARRANT# 30:**

Mr. Harmon moved to approve Payroll Warrant #30 in the amount of \$37,010.59; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Mitchell. Passed 5/0.

**A/P WARRANT# 31:**

Mr. Mitchell moved to approve A/P Warrant #31 in the amount of \$369,718.73; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. McKenzie. Passed 4/0, Mr. Harmon abstained from the vote.

**REPORTS:**

Mr. Rice: Nothing at this time.

Mr. McKenzie: Nothing at this time.

Mr. Mitchell: Nothing at this time.

Ms. Weaver: Ms. Weaver asked Mr. Jones where the changes with the DEP Ordinance stood? Mr. Jones reports it was sent to the state on December 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and the state will have 45 days from receipt of the document, after 45 days it will have automatic approval.

Mr. Harmon: Nothing at this time.

Treasurer: See attached.

Town Manager: See attached.

## **COMMITTEES:**

**Recreation Committee:** Rachel reports the committee will be holding a sports banquet on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 for all sports this current school year. Medals have been ordered, and certificates will be printed. First Easter Bunny Breakfast sponsored by Gouldsboro and Winter Harbor Recreation Committees on March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024, by donation at the Winter Harbor Masonic Lodge. Due to lack of interest, the committee will not be doing indoor soccer this year. This spring we will be getting ready and gearing up for baseball, softball, and t-ball with Sunrise Little League.

**Community Resilience Partnership: See attached.** Mr. Zoellick reports the DOT Proposal is due 2/2/2024. Mr. Zoellick walks the Board of Selectmen through the draft product, stating and point out problem areas and concerns. Mr. Zoellick is asking for a motion for the submission of the proposal.

**Mr. Harmon moves to approve the submission of the DOT Proposal drafted by the Community Resilience Partnership; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. McKenzie. Passed 5/0.**

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:** No one in attendance.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Chief Monroe reports Gouldsboro will be holding an in-house Fire Academy starting in mid-April of this year.

**EMS:** Ken Monroe reports crews have been steady.

**SUPERINTENDENT OF TOWN INFRASTRUCTURE:** Mr. Connors reports things have been steady with the recent storm damages, most of which were for Shoreland Stabilizations. Mike states 8 of the phone calls he has taken will require a NRPA Permit from the state which is a 3–4-month process. Mike reports the Legislature is currently working on a Permit by Rule for the damages state wide, and they should come to a decision within the next couple of weeks, and will continue to work diligently and stay up to date on the updates at the state level.

**ROAD COMMISSIONER:** Mr. Moore has presented the Proposal for the roads in Corea needing attention. Mr. Moore asks the Selectmen about the Francis Pound Road, and what the process would be to turn back over the land owners. Mr. Rice states that it can be done, but there is a process to it. The Board of Selectmen express concern of just slight upgrades, if the repairs would last in the case of another damaging storm. The Board is concerned about spending the funds on the repairs for them to not last, and would like to have a conversation about having a study done to tell them what needs to happen for the job to last. General consensus from the board is to table this conversation for a future meeting.

**RSU #24:** Representative not present.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Corea Road Proposal: See attached.** This business was touched on in Mr. Moore's Road Commissioner Report.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

***Hancock County Hazard Mitigation Plan:*** Ms. Wilkinson reports the plan is ready for signatures and submission.

**Mr. Harmon moves a motion to accept the plan as presented; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Mitchell. Passed 5/0.**

***K9 cage:*** Sergeant Brackett not present for the meeting, topic tabled for the next meeting.

***Schedule First Budget Session:*** No decision was made on a start date.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Mr. Mitchell made a motion to enter Executive Session at 6:00PM; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. McKenzie. Passed 5/0.**

**Mr. McKenzie made a motion to exit Executive Session at 7:10PM; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Harmon. Passed 5/0.**

**Mr. Harmon made a motion to advertise for a Police Chief, with a starting salary up to 75K, plus benefits; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Mitchell. Passed 5/0.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

## **ADJOURN:**

**Mr. Harmon made a motion to adjourn the meeting; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Mitchell. Passed 5/0.**

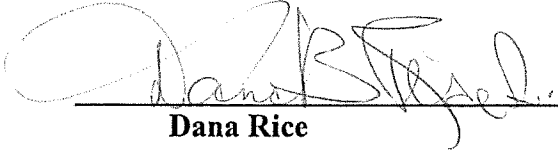
Respectfully submitted,  
Rachel Hudson, Deputy Town Clerk

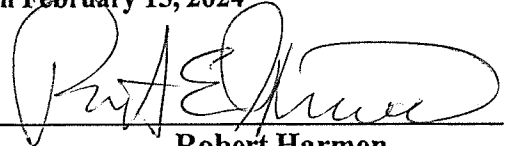
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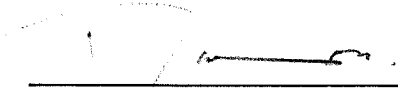
**Enclosures:** Agenda for February 1, 2024, Minutes of January 18, 2024, Payroll Warrant #30, A/P Warrant #31, Treasurers Report, Resilience DOT Report Draft Submission, Recreation Flyers, Police Report, EMS Report & Schedule, Fire Report, Road Repair Proposal, Schoodic Food Pantry Report, Governor Correspondent from President Biden, Schoodic National Byway Agenda,

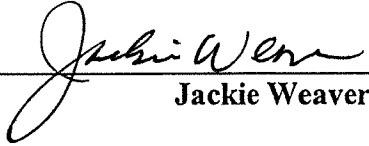
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**Minutes of February 1, 2024 and Approval on February 15, 2024**

  
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**Robert Harmon**

  
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**Danny Mitchell, Jr.**

  
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**Jackie Weaver**

  
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**Peter McKenzie**