

Town of Ashland
Regular Town Council Meeting
August 13, 2024

Present: Sherri Calhoun Christopher Bessey, Gerard Raymond, Gayle Burby and Interim Manager Chelsea Stratton

Absent: Tyler Michaud

- I. **Call meeting to order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Sherri Calhoun.

- II. **Public comments:** Brenda Clark, Town Clerk for Garfield Plantation Gave a check for \$15,000.00 to interim Town Manager Strafford for services rendered for the Police Department from January 1 to the first of August. Brenda said that services for the police can stop as of now..

- III. **Consent items:**
 1. Review, approve and sign minutes from the July 9,2024 Regular Town Council Meeting. July 29, 2024, Special Town Council Meeting and, August 2, 2024, Special Town Council Meeting. A motion was made by Gerard Raymond to sign the minutes with amendment for the July 9,2024 Regular Town Council Meeting. And, to sign the minutes for July 29,2024, Special Town Council Minutes. And August 2,2024 Special Town Council Meeting. Seconded by Chris Bessey, No discussion. Motion carried.

 2. Review, approve and sign treasurer warrants #27V, #27P, #28V, #28P, #29V, 29P, #30V, #30P., #31V and #31P. A motion was made by Chris Bessey to approve the noted warrants. Seconded by Gayle Burby. No discussion. Motion carried.

- IV. **New Business:**
 1. Review and Approve Quick claim Deed. The owner of 190 Sheridan Rd paid the 2023 back Taxes. Chris Bessey made a motion to approve the Quick Claim Deed for 190 Sheridan Road. Gerard Raymond seconded. No discussion. Motion passed.

- V. **Old Business:**

Motion was made by Chris Bessey to go into Executive Session to discuss personal issue per Maie State Law Title (1M.R.S.A Section 405-6A). Gerard Raymond seconded. Motion Passed. Executive Session started at 6:41 PM.

A Motion was made by Chris Bessey to end The Executive Session, Gayle Burby seconded. Motion Passed. Executive Session ended at 6:11.

 1. A motion was made by Chris Bessey to accept Brad Boutot's application and offer him the position on the Highway Crew. Gayle Burby Seconded. No discussion. Motion Carried.

2. A motion was made by Chris Bessey give Interim Town Manger Stratton authorization to reach out to past Library associates to see if they would work the 2 weeks the library will be closed. Gayle Burby seconded. No comments. Motion Passed.

VI. **Manager's Report:**

1. Ashland received a second check from the town of Masardis for \$5000.00 Which was less than the subsidy they were supposed to pay. Council members said not to cash or deposit the check.
2. Interim Town Manager Stratton explained that James Laveway and Cyr Martin's names need to come off the town's credit card and bank accounts. Chris Bessey motioned to take James Laveway's name off the towns credit card and to add Stacy Sturgeons name to the towns credit card. Gayle Burby seconded. No discussion. Motion carried. Chris Bessey also motioned to remove Cyr Martins name from the town credit card and the town's bank accounts. And to add Chelsea Stratton to the town Bank accounts. Gayle Burby seconded. No discussion. Motion Carried.

VII. **Council items:**

There were no Council Items

- VIII. **Adjournment:** Chris Bessey motioned to adjourn the meeting, Gayle Burby Seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan Jimmo

Recording Secretary

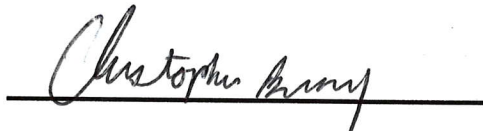
Tyler Michaud, Chairman



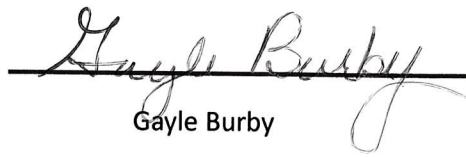
Gerard Raymond



Sherri Calhoun



Christopher Bessey



Gayle Burby