

Board of Selectmen

Chuck Cunningham - Chairman
Steven Lewis - Vice Chairman
Dale Harmon
Russell Pinkham
Julie Roberts

Town Manager

Daniel Bryer Jr.



**Town of Boothbay
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Wednesday, June 28, 2023
6:00 PM**

MINUTES

Recorded meetings located at <https://townhallstreams.com/towns/boothbay> for more in depth discussions.

Present: Chuck Cunningham, Steve Lewis, Dale Harmon, Russell Pinkham, Julie Roberts and Town Manager, Dan Bryer Jr.

Chuck called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance**Public Hearings:**

Decks, LLC., DBA Lobsterman's Wharf, Map U16, Lot 001 located at 224 Ocean Point Road, East Boothbay. Application for renewal of a Restaurant Liquor License, Class I, II, III, IV and the renewal of a Special Amusement Permit. No outstanding violations and taxes are paid.

Steve makes the motion to approve. Dale seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0 in favor.

Public Comment: None

Approve Minutes: None

Reports:

We recorded 56 liens this year which is down 5 from the previous year. At a time when finances are tight that's a really good number. A vast majority of them get cleaned up as we go forward.

We are now going to take the bank owned properties so in the next meeting they will be coming before the Board.

Steve asked about the clock at Clifford Park and if it's just for baseball. Dan said it is. Tom had mentioned getting a mobile one for use on the other fields if the school decided to use the field for field hockey etc.

Dan said the only issue they have is storage. They will need to get a shed before winter. They have a commitment from the Legion for the flag. The BCA has committed to getting the three tiered bleachers and the sunscreen over the dugouts.

Old Business: None

New Business:

The Fiscal Year Audit for 2022 – Fred Brewer is present to go over the financial statements with the Board. He starts in the back with the Capital Reserve Funds. They have a balance of one million but a lot of that is committed. The new firetruck being delivered took a good chunk of that. Interest earned on Capital Improvements was around \$2500.00. The Public Works reserve is closed out. We had \$26.00 in the Fire Department Equipment Fund. Supplementals and abatements are next. Supplementals put an extra tax bill and abatements reduce the tax bill.

The checking account has 2.4 million in cash. Total commitment was just shy of 8 million dollars. The total to collect was 9.6 million and 9.5 million was physically received in cash. \$37,000.00 was prepaid in the prior year. Abatements were at \$14,000.00 and \$76,000.00 went to lien. Our collection percentage was

almost at 100 percent. Undesignated Funds accumulate over the years and can be used with taxpayers approval for expenditures. The town is \$965,000.00 in debt and we have 16.5 million in assets. We increased assets by \$335,000.00. The Ulmer Fund has a balance of \$65,000.00 but only earned \$84.00 in interest. There is a short discussion about putting more money in the fund. He briefly went over the General Fund, Capital Reserves and the East Boothbay TIF.

The Town of Boothbay is in very good shape. Fred told the Board to look at the Warrants and ask questions, do your due diligence that is what you are elected for.

Steve takes his hat off to Dan and the Business Office for coming up with a great budget.

Annual Discussion regarding a New Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board:

Steve makes the motion for Charles Cunningham to be Chairman of the Board. Julie seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0 in favor with one abstaining.

Dale made the motion for Steve Lewis to become Vice Chairman. Russ seconded the motion.

Vote: 4-0 in favor with one abstaining.

Planning Board Appointment: Renee' Fales needs to be appointed to the Planning Board, she is an engineer and did this type of work in New Hampshire. Steve makes the motion to appoint Renee' Fales to the Boothbay Planning Board. Dale seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0 in favor.

Public Comment: None

Chuck entertains a motion to review and sign warrants. Russ seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0 in favor.

Chuck entertains a motion to adjourn. Steve seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0 in favor.