

**TOWN OF STETSON**  
**SELECTMENS BOARD MEETING**  
**DATE: WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2025**  
**6:00 P.M.**

**I. OPEN MEETING-**

**Millard Butler opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**A. ROLL CALL-**

**In attendance-, Millard Butler, Jody Lyford Michael Kamorski, Webster Young, Leslie Merrill, Dawn LePage**

**B. MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

1. Approve June 25, 2025- Jody made a motion to accept the meeting minutes of June 25, 2025. Leslie seconded the motion. Mike and Webster abstained from the vote, as they were not serving on the Select Board at that time. **3 yea, 2 abstained.** 7
2. Approve July 9, 2025 Meeting Minutes-Jody made a motion to accept the meeting minutes of July 9, Michael seconded the motion. **Name Corrections:** Dawn will correct the spelling of Michael and Leslie's names in the meeting minutes to reflect the accurate spellings. These corrections will be made prior to the next scheduled meeting. **All in favor** 8

**C. QUIT CLAIM DEEDS-**

- o Miles Cemetery Conveyance
  - o The conveyance was previously approved during an earlier Select Board meeting.
  - o The Board examined Wendy Savage's cemetery conveyance, Jody proposed approve and Les seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. All Board members signed. 9

**D. WARRANTS**

1. Bangor Payroll Warrant #2-Jody made a motion to accept Payroll warrant #2 and Webster seconded it. **All in favor** 10
2. Expenditures Warrant #2- Jody made a motion to accept Expenditures Warrant #2 and Millard seconded it. **All in favor.** 10

**E. BOARD OF ASSESSORS -Nothing**

**II. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Meeting House:

**Catch Basin Assessment:** William inspected the catch basin and noted it appears to be made of two pieces, with the cement ring requiring a new top. He contacted a vendor but did not receive a response. Les stated he would need to inspect the basin again, noting that the outlet pipe in the back may need to be extended further out.

William plans to follow up with a call the next day to inquire about a replacement top and will obtain a price. The basin remains full of rocks and stones and is approximately 2½ to 3 feet deep. It will be a significant undertaking to dig out and replace the structure.

Water currently drains into a sump pump and cycles back into the basin. Due to propane tanks located at the rear of the property, extra caution is required when digging. The Board discussed the possibility of digging in the front instead. Webster will also assess the area and suggested that excavation equipment may be necessary to clear the culvert.

William expressed hope that hand digging might suffice. He will initiate a clean-out and observe results. He contacted Gagne Precast regarding materials and will ask Matthew Roberts (the sexton) if he is available to assist with his excavator.

B. Resident Mailboxes-

- No response has been received yet; no one has called back.
- Dawn will provide Millard with the correct address. The address is **950**, so he can investigate the damaged mailbox caused by the snow plow.
- The mailbox is currently sitting in a bucket and has not been reinstalled in the ground.

C. Dead River-

- All dug lines are currently disconnected.

D. Sand & Salt Shed Door-

- William reported that he has spoken to the secretary from Streets Landscaping twice but has not received a return call.
- William will provide Millard with an estimate.

E. Roadside Mowing-

- The new company has performed well and is expected to finish the work by the end of the week. Earl Hanson, the owner, is personally completing the work.
- Earl will assume the 3-year contract.
- William shared that due to family obligations, he won't be finished until next week. He anticipates completing the work by Monday or Tuesday and asked that they review his work to ensure it's satisfactory. He was described as a very nice individual.
- The former roadside mowing company broke a component ("iron") off the machine and was unable to complete the job. He left on good terms and hopes to re-bid in the future.

- Mike made a motion to officially replace the previous mowing company. Jody seconded the motion. **All were in favor**; the motion passed unanimously. ~~A~~

### III. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. Trash Tote Policy-

- Town currently has no written policy for trash totes; a formal document will be developed.
- Extra pins for tote covers may have been ordered, but cannot be found.
- Dawn will contact the toter company regarding replacement pins.
- Stolen totes: Town will not reimburse residents. Totes damaged by the garbage truck: Town will provide replacements.
- Dawn to obtain a copy of the manufacturer's warranty.
- Totes were purchased from two different companies.
- Some have pin issues; manufacturer warranties range from 7–10 years.
- Millard emphasized totes should not be overfilled.
- Jody will write an informational article on proper trash can usage.
- Residents should inspect totes after pickup.
- If damage is caused by the contractor, residents may bring it in for replacement.
- Millard will assess broken totes brought to the town office.

#### B. Cold Storage-

- Oil Tank: Removed.
- Old Heating Unit: Currently boxed.
- Question posed: Should it be kept or discarded?
- Possibility of using the new heater for spare parts.
- Old Siding & Materials: unclear-Board will evaluate
- Removal could free space for additional totes.
- Proposed New Uses for Cold Storage: Store road signs, posts, and roadblock signs.
- William to be granted access; office will arrange key.

#### C. Leases-

- Dawn will update the operating dates for Outlaw Dance Company LLC to reflect the new timeframe: 2025–2026.
- The Historical Society is continuing its search for suitable insurance options. Further updates will be shared as progress is made.

#### D. Sheriff's Dept Contract-

- A contract has been signed by Webster.

- Webster will serve as the liaison to the Sheriff's Department, facilitating communication and coordination moving forward.
- The signed contract authorizes the Sheriff's Department to provide monthly patrol services for a designated number of hours. Specific scheduling and coverage details will be determined as part of ongoing coordination.
- Webster made a motion to accept the contract and Mike seconded it. **All in favor.** *13*

E. Tax Assessor-Jody is waiting for the assessing reports from Danielle.

F. Table and Chair Rentals-

- Topic: Table and Chair Rentals
- Deposit Requirement: A \$100.00 deposit will be required for residents to rent tables and chairs.
- Dawn will create a deposit agreement form for renters to sign.
- Board Approval: The form will be presented to the board for review and approval.
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G. Lapointe Road Intersection-

- Millard will follow up with DOT as Selectboard Member regarding the recent fatality.
- William will contact the DOT as the Road Commissioner to request recommendations for safety improvements.
- Noted that the Department of Transportation (DOT) mows 33 feet from the center line.
- William will inspect Merrill Road and Lapointe Road for weight limit signs.

#### IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. ANIMAL CONTROL-

- Received March, April and May

B. APPEALS BOARD-Nothing

C. CEMETERY-NOTHING

D. CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/PLUMBING INSPECTOR/E911-Nothing

E. EDUCATION-

- Will be installing lead mitigation system before school starts.
- Meeting next Monday

F. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE-

- Step-by-step protocol to ensure safety and efficiency during a crisis
- Clearly defined chain of command to guide decision-making and delegation
- Identification of key personnel and backup roles

G. FIRE DEPARTMENT/EMT/RESCUE-

- No formal contract "handshake"
- Keep the same until Levant replaces Town Manager

H. LIBRARY -Nothing

I. MEETINGHOUSE-Nothing

J. ORDINANCE COMMITTEE-

- The group reaffirmed their commitment to the Comprehensive plan prior to individual ordinances.
- Steve presented a hybrid proposal, blending elements from Maine Municipal Association (MMA) and Readfield.
- Restrictions on Poultry
  - A legal review and consultation with the Town's attorney
  - Approval through a vote at a Town Meeting
  - Schedule a meeting with the town's legal counsel
  - Communicate with residents to encourage participation in the vote at the next Town Meeting.

K. PARKS & RECREATION-Nothing

L. PLANNING BOARD-Nothing

M. RECYCLING & SOLID WASTE COLLECTION-Nothing

N. ROAD COMMISSIONER-

- 12 signs have been ordered.
- William noted it's been approximately 3 weeks since the order. The town is next in line for production.
- William supports having a small inventory of extra signs and posts for future needs.
- Suggested replacement signs to include Lapointe and major roads, especially due to recent thefts.
- William will pick up the signs when ready.
- Matthew will handle installation across designated areas.
- Loon Cove currently lacks a stop sign. While other camp roads do not have signs, Loon Cove is maintained by the Town and should be prioritized for signage.
- If a sign is faded or missing, residents are encouraged to contact the Department of Transportation (DOT) for a replacement.
- William will contact the appropriate authority to confirm current speed limits.

J. STATE LEGISLATIVE CORRESPONDANCE-Nothing

K. TREASURER-Nothing

L. WELFARE DIRECTOR-Nothing

M. OTHER

V. **TRAINING** -Dawn

VI. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**-None

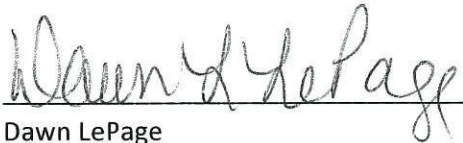
VII. **SELECTMEN COMMENTS**-None

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION-None

IX. ADJOURNMENT

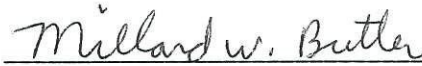
Jody made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Leslie seconded it. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:30pm 14

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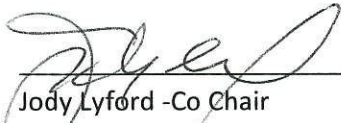
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Millard Butler-Chair

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Jody Lyford -Co Chair

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Michael Kamorski

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Webster Young

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