MINUTES
MADISON JOINT SELECT BOARD & BUDGET ADVISORY MEETING
OLD POINT SCHOOL MEETING ROOM 104
108 OLD POINT AVENUE
Monday April 16, 2025
5:30 p.m.

Video link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BLm9Pk3H9vs

A. Meeting was called to order at 5:30pm and all saluted the flag.

B. Roll Call: All Select Board members were present and in person. Advisory Board had a quorum present.

C. BUDGET REVIEW

Library - revisited
The Town Manager asked that the Library budget be revisited to correct an error in the proposed budget. Janitorial services line should have been $9,500 not $8,500.

On Article 12, Ms. Estes made a motion to accept the $154,567 for the Library. Ms. Dwyer second. No discussion. Motion carries 5-0. Advisory Board - Mr. Lloyd made the motion to accept, Mr. Moore second. Motion carries. 9-0.

Public Safety
Mr. Bean made a motion to accept the Total Public Safety amount of $907,770.48. Mr. Moody Second. No discussion. Motion carries. 5-0. Advisory Board - Ms. Tomlin made a motion to accept the amount. Mr. Lloyd second. No discussion. Motion carries. 9-0.

Capital
Mr. Wright presented a proposal to spend $203,950 for the purchase of a new utility machine w/ flail arm, less $41,000, by taking $6,000 out of Mowing account, $10,000 out of Equipment Rental and $25,000 from capital as the down payment. Mr. Bean made a motion to accept $162,950 for Highway Purchase. Ms. Dwyer second. Motion carries 5-0. Advisory Board, Mr. Lloyd made a motion to accept. Ms. Tomlinson second. Motion carries 9-0.

Town Manager presented a proposal of $7,500 for Culverts. Ms. Dwyer made a motion to accept. Ms. Estes second, no discussion. Motion carries.5-0. Advisory Board - Mr. Bartlett made a motion to accept. Mr. Moore second. Motion carries.9-0

Mr. Wright presented two bid proposals to pave the roads. Maine-ly paving was cheaper, but they didn't measure the roads. Fine Line Paving was $ 185,628. Advisory Board Chairman Ducharme asked why Heald Street was not getting paved, but Tower Road was, when it has less traffic. There was much discussion on when the water district and the sanitary district would be ready to complete their projects on Heald St and other streets in town. The option to do a shim or overlay on Heald St was proposed. The Town Manager will reach out to AMSD and AMWD for more information on their construction plans and will share that with the Road Commissioner to assist in his planning.

Mr. Wright recommended accepting the bid from Fine Line Paving of $185,628. Ms. Estes made a motion to accept. Ms. Dwyer second. Motion carries. 5-0 Advisory Board - Mr. Bartlett made a motion to accept. Mr. Moore second. Motion carries. 8-1. Mr. Lloyd voted no.

Ms. Estes made a motion to accept $ 70,000 for Sidewalk Maintenance. Mr. Bean second. Motion carries. 5-0. Advisory Board- Ms. Tomlinson made a motion to accept. Mr. Lloyd second. Motion carries. 9-0.

Town Manager presented a motion to accept $25,000 for SCBA bottles Fire Department. Mr. Bean made a motion to accept. Mr. Moody second, no discussion, motion carries. 5-0. Advisory Board- Mr. Lloyd made a motion to accept. Mr. Bartlett second. Motion carries. 9-0

Town Manager presented a motion to accept $10,000 for building maintenance. Fire Chief reported that the back steps needed repair, was not sure if $10,000 would be enough. Ms. Estes made a motion to accept. Ms. Dwyer second. Motion carries. 5-0. Advisory Board - Ms. Tomlinson made a motion to accept. Mr. Bartlett second. Motion carries. 9-0

Town Manager presented a motion to accept $100,000 for new Fire Truck. Mr. Moody made a motion to accept. Mr. Bean second . motion carries. 5-0. Advisory Board – Mr. Bartlett made a motion to accept. Ms. Tomlinson second. Motion carries. 9-0

Town Manager made a proposal to accept $ 75,000 to get Municipal Buildings up to code. Mr. Bean made a motion to accept . Mr. moody second. Motion carries. 5-0. Advisory Board - Ms. Tomlinson made a motion to accept. Mr. Bartlett second. Motion carries. 9-0

Town Manager presented a motion to accept $25,000 for Library Repairs. Ms. Estes made a motion to accept. Ms. Dwyer second. Motion carries. 5-0 Advisory Board- Ms. Tomlinson made a motion to accept. Mr. Bliss second. Motion carries. 9-0

Town Manager presented an amount of $ 5,000 to put in a wheel chair lift at the Old Point Avenue Building. Ms. Dwyer made a motion to accept. Ms. Estes second. Motion carries. 5-0. Advisory Board- Mr. Lloyd made a motion to accept. Mr. Bartlett second. Motion carries. 9-0

Chairman Veneziano made a motion to set $100,000 aside for Revaluation. Mr. Moody made a motion to accept. Ms. Dwyer second. There was considerable discussion on this point. Mr. Lloyd was concerned that the budget will be much higher this year and that we need to reduce costs wherever possible. The Town Manager explained that the Town was going to lose out on Revenue Sharing II as a result of not having our town-wide valuation at 90% of where the State wants us to be. Motion failed 2-3 (Ms. Estes and Mr. Bean voted against, Chairman Veneziano voted against to break the tie).

Town Manager made a proposal to accept $42,000 for Cemeteries. Mr. Moody made a motion to accept. Ms. Dwyer second. Motion carries. 5-0. Advisory Board. Mr. Bartlett made amotion to accept. Ms. Tomlinson second. Motion carries. 8-1. Mr. Bernard against.

Town Manager presented a proposal to take $500,000 from undesignated fund balance to offset taxes. Mr. Bean made a motion to accept. Ms. Dwyer second. Motion carries. 5-0.

Advisory Board - Mr. Bartlett made a motion to accept. Ms. Tomlinson second. Motion carries. 9-0.

Article 3: To see if Town will vote to pay the Directors of the Department of Electric Works $10,200. Ms. Estes made a motion to accept. Mr. Bean second. Motion carries.5-0

Article 4: To see if Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of 11,200, to pay its Select Board. Mr. Lloyd made a motion to accept. Mr. Bartlett second. Motion carries 9-0

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to use up to $25,000 from undesignated fund balance to offset taxes. Ms. Estes made a motion to accept. Ms. Dwyer second motion carries. 5-0. Advisory Board- Ms. Tomlinson made a motion to accept. Mr. Bliss second. Motion carries. 9-0

Articles 26 through 36: Mr. Bean made a motion to recommend “Yes” on these articles, Ms. Dwyer seconded. No discussion. Motion passed 5-0.

D. Adjournment: Motion was made to adjourn by Ms. Dwyer, Mr. Bean seconded. Motion carries 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:38

NEXT REGULAR SELECT BOARD MEETING
MONDAY APRIL 28, 2025
108 OLD POINT AVENUE
6:30 pm