

**BOOTHBAY HARBOR  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES  
February 10, 2025, 6:00 PM**

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**ATTENDING:** Michael Tomko - Chair  
Ken Rayle  
Mark Osborn - Via Zoom  
Mark Gimbel - Via Zoom

Julia Latter, Town Manager

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**TOWN MANAGER ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. The town office will be closed on Monday for Presidents' Day.
2. Nomination papers for Town Officers will be available from the Town Clerk starting January 22, 2025, for the following positions:

3-YEAR TERMS

2 SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

1 SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBER OF THE BOOTHBAY-BOOTHBAY HARBOR CSD

1 TRUSTEE OF THE BOOTHBAY-BOOTHBAY HARBOR CSD

1 TRUSTEE OF THE BOOTHBAY REGION WATER DISTRICT

1 TRUSTEE OF THE BOOTHBAY-BOOTHBAY HARBOR CEMETERY DISTRICT

1 TRUSTEE OF THE BOOTHBAY HARBOR SEWER DISTRICT

Papers must be returned by 4:30 PM on March 3, 2025. Voting will occur at the Municipal Building Fire Station on May 2, 2025, from 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM. The town meeting will be held on May 3, 2025, at 9:00 AM.

3. The school budget meeting is scheduled for tomorrow at 5:00 PM in the high school.
4. A structure fire occurred at the sewer district earlier today. There are no injuries and further information is pending.

**TOWN DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

1. The town has sufficient salt and sand supplies. Following two recent storms, road maintenance continues, and staff morale remains high.

**FINANCIALS:** Taxes collected year-to-date are at 62.4%, slightly ahead of last year's figures. The final budget meetings are approaching, with the ambulance and historical society attending to discuss their budget requests this Wednesday.

**MINUTES:** Motion to approve the minutes of January 27, 2025, as presented; approved 4-0.

**LICENSING:** Motion to approve the renewal application of a liquor license (Malt & Wine) for Mama D's Mercantile, Inc., DBA: Mama D's Cafe, 50 Union Street; approved 4-0.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Performance Guarantee for Campbell Cove Subdivision:** The board unanimously accepted a performance guarantee from Edgewater Plus Inc. for improvements to the Campbell Cove subdivision off Lakeview Road. Town ordinance requires Selectboard approval of the guarantee before issuing building permits. Surveyor Nicholas Plumer noted that Bath Savings Institution has provided a \$60,000 line of credit for the project, which includes necessary improvements for a water line and fire hydrant

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **2025 Proposed Ordinance Discussion:** Julia Latter clarified board recommendations before sending them to legal for public hearing on March 10th.

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

1. **Andy Hamblett, Boothbay Region YMCA:** Hamblett requested support from the Selectmen to install a digital sign at the YMCA's Townsend Avenue location, seeking an exemption from current ordinance restrictions. The sign would facilitate organizational messaging and critical public service announcements, especially during emergencies.
  - Selectman Mark Osborn expressed concerns that granting an exemption could set a precedent for local businesses seeking similar privileges. The board did not make a decision but agreed to review the language for proposed ordinance changes in May. Town Manager Julia Latter will assist in developing language to accommodate the YMCA's request.

**WARRANTS:** Motion to approve the warrants upon review; approved 4-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

1. Motion to enter executive session under MRS Title 1, Chapter 13, §405 (6)(A) for Personnel at 6:58 PM; approved 4-0.
2. The board exited the executive session at 7:17 PM.
3. Motion to appoint Lee Corbin as a full member of the Lincoln County Regional Planning Committee effective February 10, 2025; approved 4-0.
4. Motion to reappoint Michael Tomko as a full board member; approved 3-1, with Tomko abstaining as a current board member for LCRCP.
5. Motion to enter executive session under MRS Title 1, Chapter 13, §405 (6)(C) for Discussion on Real Property at 7:18 PM.
6. The board exited executive session at 8:40 PM. No decisions were made.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn at 8:40 PM; approved 4-0

