# League of Towns

A Collaborative Unit of Government Serving Bar Harbor, Cranberry Isles, Ellsworth, Lamoine, Mount Desert, Southwest Harbor, Swans Island, Tremont, Trenton, and Acadia National Park P.O. Box 248 Northeast Harbor, Maine 04662

### Monthly Meeting Minutes

January 22, 2019 Ellsworth City Hall 10:00 a.m.

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10am, Present: Durlin Lunt, Carol Walsh, Fred Ehrlenbach, Cornell Knight, David Cole Christopher Saunders, Gary Fortier
- II. Adoption of Agenda: Moved and Seconded to adopt as presented. Vote: unanimous

#### III. Approval of Minutes

November 27, 2018: Edit item 6C to state Tremont visited EMR. Moved Ehrlenbach and Seconded Walsh to approve as amended. Vote unanimous

## **Regular Meeting**

IV. **Treasurer's Report:** Review of the financial statements and possible adoption of a Motion "to accept the financial statements as sent". Moved Ehrlenbach and Seconded Walsh to approve as presented.

#### V. Old Business:

The attachment for the 2019 meetings will be corrected to 2019 dates, February 26 is in Trenton with the Park in March. Lunt will update and mail out.

## VI. Regular Business:-

- a. County Government (Charter) (Standing item from elected official's workshop 2018): Lunt said Scott Atkins will be invited to attend the February meeting. It is the consensus of the League that a charter would allow for an appointed Treasurer. Lunt will invite John Wombacher, new commissioner, to the February meeting as well.
- b. **Affordable Housing.** (Standing item from elected official's workshop 2018): no report this month. Cole said the complex behind Renys is mostly filled and they are considering more in the future. There are also several small projects, as well as some on the Bucksport road.

- c. Municipal Collaboration (Standing item from elected official's workshop 2018): Tremont uses Southwest Harbor dispatch at \$20,000 per year. Saunders has met with them and is in hopes of more collaboration in other areas. Ellsworth is in discussions with Frenchman's Bay' concerning their responsibility for law enforcement concerning shellfish. Sanders said one of his Selectboard is interested in re-opening the deer hunting possibility in the town.
- d. Opiates and other addictive substances (Standing item from elected official's workshop 2018): Some news reports said that the opiate problem as been reduced this past year, but cocaine use has increased.
- e. **Solarization** (Standing item from elected official's workshop 2018): Tremont's solar array is finished with 450 panels adjacent to their Town office.

**Members Reports** - (Other topics of interest and importance to League members)

- a. Approval of meeting schedule 2019: Lunt will re-email the upcoming schedule.
- b. Election of Officers 2019 Moved Walsh, Seconded Cole to appoint Chris Saunders as secretary. Vote: unanimous. Moved Ehrlenbach, Seconded Knight to re-elect the remaining slate of officers: Durlin Lunt, Chair, Fred Ehrlenbach, Vice Chair Stu Marckoon, Treasurer. Vote: unanimous.
- c. League Budget 2019: postponed to February meeting.

#### f. Future Meetings

December- No Meeting January 22, 2019 Ellsworth City Hall February 26, 2019 - Trenton Town Office

- VII. **Next Agenda:** Suggested discussion items for the next Agenda: Invite Scott Atkins and John Wombacher to the February meeting.
- VIII. Adjournment: It was Moved and Seconded to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 am