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THOMASTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were First Selectman Mone, Selectman Burr and Selectman Dunn. Deborah Bournival was available to take the minutes.

<u>Pledge</u> - Pledge was recited by all.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to approve the minutes of both the September 16, 2025 regular meeting and October 7, 2025 regular meeting as presented. Motion carries unanimously.

Old Business/Discussion re: Potential Sites for Town's MSW and Recycling:

First Selectman Mone said he was only able to get two bids for MSW and recycling. We need to put in an RFP sometime in January and need to define where our MSW goes.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to waive the three-bid as only two came back to us with quotes. Motion carries unanimously.

We seek to award a three-year contract as opposed to five. We would like to award the MSW portion to ReWorld for \$101.76/ton and award the recycling portion to Murphy Road Recycling All American in Berlin for \$104.74/ton.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to award the MSW portion to ReWorld at \$101.76/ton for year one, not to exceed a three-year contract. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to award the recycling portion to Murphy Road Recycling All American in Berlin at \$104.74/ton for year one, not to exceed a three-year contract. Motion carries unanimously.

New Business/Light Up Thomaston Budget/Vendor Contract Review:

In attendance were Beth Schaffer and Melanie Dobos from LUT. The LUT committee has endorsed Beth as the new chairman and Melanie Dobos as the new co-chair. The committee has been working hard to get up to speed with planning the event in such a short time.

Beth said they have approximately \$36,300 in income and \$15,475 in estimated expenses if all 12 vendors come back again this year. So far, all have been contacted, but still waiting to hear back from some. We have two confirmed contracts; one from Matica Arts in the amount of \$2,250 and the other from Farm on Wheels in the amount of \$1,225.

One item that was not included in the expense sheet was the cost of the porta potty at \$750. They are not sure on status as Joan Mondak was handling.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to approve the two contracts from Matica and Farm on Wheels as presented. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to approve the estimated expenses in the amount of \$16,225 as presented. Motion carries unanimously.

Board/Commission Appointments/Resignations:

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to add to the agenda under <u>"New Business/Board/Commission Appointments/Resignations - Resignations of Karen Yanavich from LUT and Paul Pronovost from Historical Commission and add Melanie Dobos to LUT"</u>. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to accept the resignation of Joan Mondak from LUT, with regrets. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to appoint Beth Schaffer to LUT. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to appoint Melanie Dobos to LUT. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to accept the resignation of Paul Pronovost from the Historical Commission, with regrets. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to accept the resignation of Karen Yanavich from LUT, with regrets. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and Selectman Dunn to reappoint Daniela Ouellette to the Historical Commission for another four-year term ending September 30, 2029. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and Selectman Dunn to reappoint Amanda Burch to the Economic Development Commission for another four-year term ending October 27, 2029. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion was made by Selectman Burr and Selectman Dunn to reappoint Mike Sweeney to the Economic Development Commission for another four-year term ending October 27, 2029. Motion carries unanimously.

Tax Refunds:

Due to the fact that our tax collector, Cassie Gorman, has resigned and has taken a position with another municipality, any tax refunds which were not signed already by her must now wait until that position has been filled.

Communications – none.

<u>Public Comment</u> – Selectman Burr and Selectman Dunn wanted to take this opportunity to thank First Selectman Mone for 16 years of dedicated service to the Town. He will be missed and appreciated.

A motion was made by Selectman Burr and seconded by Selectman Dunn to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Motion carries unanimously.