

Loring Development Authority of Maine  
Board Meeting Minutes  
LDA JUNE 2024  
Wed. Jun 26, 2024  
154 Development Drive, Suite F  
Loring Commerce Centre, Limestone, Maine

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Lee Umphrey at 9:32 a.m.

LDA Board Members participating in an online conference are Jeff Pangburn, Patrick Paradis Denise Garland Lee Umphrey, Carolyn Dorsey Joe Sleeper, Kristine Logan Timothy Crowley, Grace O'Neal, Kris Doody, , and Lynn Bromley.

LDA Board Members absent: Suzie Paradis,

LDA staff participating by online conference: Steve Levesque, and Jonathan Judkins.

Others participating in an online conference George Howe, - Pamela Gerow- Senator Collins, Tim McCabe, Hayes Gahagan, Roger Felix, Jason Dionne, Scott Hinkel, Jim Pelky, Kirsten Hebert, Chris Cossette, Tomas Manning, Sharon Campbell, Tony Levesque, Chuck Kelly

2. Identification of board members and others

Board member attendance was taken.

3. Approval of Notes: Kris moved approval of the minutes, and Denise seconded the Unanimous vote

4.) Lee acknowledges Jeremy's impactful leadership and plans for continued collaboration with him. He also recognizes Carl's recovery and contributions, appreciates Denise's advocacy and support, and highlights Jonathan's upcoming performance review and potential salary increase. Additionally, he shares his personal ties to Aroostook County and emphasizes the need for productivity and collaboration in future meetings.

5.) Grant Update. Jonathan LDA provided updates on Grants and Initiatives Jonathan LDA shares progress updates on grants and initiatives, highlighting the environmental assessment for the demolition of Manser properties and its correlation with the road project. He also discusses advancements in the sewer project, additional funding secured for the defense communities grant, and the airport master plan's positive

feedback from the FAA. Additionally, he mentions the new tenant master landlord's proactive approach to property cleanup and periodic updates planned for the initiatives.

5.) Manser Drive project Jonathan LDA provides updates on negotiations with Smith & Associates, a potential new auditor, and the potential for a rate increase. The meeting also addresses the progress made by a new contractor on the Manzer Drive project, with plans to work with the previous vendor to facilitate necessary changes.

6) Financial Review Jonathan LDA provides updates on the financial review, mentioning the focus on energy cost-saving methods and grants for green energy systems. He also discusses the office relocation and the need for a lead management system to streamline processes for the business committee, expressing gratitude for the support from the community and discussing the transition to a new audit company.

\* Office Relocation for the LDA

7) Business committee business committee to meet to discuss upcoming business metrics for our developing team. No time has been set for that meeting, but we are hopeful that we will come to a protocol Again, thank you to the Green for Maine team, Scott, Thomas, Kelly, any of the other team for taking those meetings. A big thanks to Lynn, even though she's not here. For the other business committee members, I'm incredibly grateful for your time.

8) Public comment Green for Maine Made Comment, Discussion on Bunker Inn's

9) Engagement with New Companies and Employees

Tim McCabe from the Bunker Inn raised concerns about the lack of knowledge regarding new companies and employees on the base, clarifying that it was not meant to criticize Green for Maine. He highlighted efforts to reach out to a program manager and expressed interest in accommodating engineers at the Bunker Inn. The board acknowledged the importance of the issue and discussed the potential for sharing information with the Bunker Inn about new individuals on the base. Thomas also offered to meet with Tim to discuss the matter further.

10 ) Updates and Concerns

Thomas and LUmphrey emphasize community support and future plans, while Jim Leighton expresses concerns about delayed payments for sewage treatment, which is causing hardship for the district. Cuppy Johndro then provides details about upcoming events at the Loring Air Museum and discusses promotional efforts.

\* Loring Air Museum Event

11) Transition to Executive Session

Cuppy Johndro shares her efforts to contact her daughters in New Jersey, and Jonathan LDA provides details about a new property manager for the Manzer projects. The meeting then moves into executive session, with a motion made and accepted to proceed, and a brief discussion about a member joining the session.

12. Executive Session: Confidential discussions concerning personnel, economic development and real estate matters pursuant to Title 1 M.R.S.A. Section 405 Subparagraphs 6.A. and 6.C. Pat Paradis moved that we enter executive session for confidential discussions concerning personnel, economic development, and real estate matters pursuant to Title 1 M.R.S.A. Section 405 Subparagraphs 6.A. and 6.C. Tim seconded. Vote – unanimous

The Vote was taken to allow Jonathan Judkins to sign the sewer rules and regulations set for by the Maine Rural Water Team

The Vote was taken to Move forward with the selection of the Manser Drive contractor.  
JAKS

13. Adjourn

There being no further business before the board, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lee Umphrey". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.