I. OPEN MEETING
A. Opening Ceremonies
Vice Chairman Freeman Cyr opened the meeting at 6:30 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll Call

II. CONSENT AGENDA
Treasurer Warrants
1. Administrative Warrant #41
2. Payroll Warrant #42
3. Gen Fund/WW Warrant #M-09-17

Resolution #137-012218
MOTION: D’Agostino, seconded: Grammont, and voted unanimously (5-0) to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting – January 8, 2018
Resolution #138-012218
MOTION: D’Agostino, seconded: Taylor, and voted unanimously (5-0) to approve the minutes of the Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting of January 8, 2018. Motion passed.

IV. QUITCLAIM DEEDS

V. BOARD OF ASSESSORS/MUNICIPAL OFFICERS
VI. OPEN SESSION
A. Public Hearings
B. Open Session – Public

1. RSU No. 68 Update – Superintendent Stacy Shorey
   Superintendent Stacy Shorey updated the Board of Selectmen on RSU 68. Supt. Shorey said that a successful grant application has provided for four new programs for students including a digital media team, outdoors club, ukulele, and metals class. Other programs available are Rosetta Stone languages, intramurals for basketball, snow shoeing, and floor hockey. Supt. Shorey talked about acquiring a new math program and that there is a pilot program for the new math curriculum as well as a pilot for the ELA curriculum. Also discussed was staff performance evaluations and growth plan. Supt. Shorey talked about the upcoming budget process that includes the proposals for a new math program, zero-turn mower, improvements to the gym floor and updated technology contracts. She said that there is no new staff hiring being proposed, but there is a shortage of substitute teachers. Selectman D’Agostino said that the Unitarian Universalist Church held a Teacher Appreciation Day and honored SeDoMoCha Teacher, Kaitlin Young for receiving the Maine Teacher of the Year Award.

Vice Chairman Freeman Cyr asked for a student census update. Supt. Shorey said that there is an increase of four students over last year totaling 720 students with the largest amounts of 95 students in the fifth and seventh grades and 80 students in other grades.

Supt. Shorey updated the Board on the Atkinson student body joining RSU 68 and said that Atkinson is still negotiating to leave RSU 41 with a goal to finalize in June.

Supt. Shorey also discussed the traffic study and said that there is a need to change the traffic pattern and make changes to the parking lot.

2. Foxcroft Academy Update – Headmaster Arnold Shorey
   Headmaster Arnold Shorey presented an update for Foxcroft Academy. Headmaster Shorey commended Luis Ayala who received the National Most Valuable Coach Award. Headmaster Shorey talked about the Academy becoming accredited as an IB school and said that teachers are being trained in best practices. Mr. Shorey described the IB designation as showing that a student is ready for college, has a high level of thinking, and is prepared for the 21st century. Mr. Shorey said that seniors were in the process of preparing to present portfolios to teachers and parents. Mr. Shorey also talked about the Academy’s continuing work with the Libra Foundation to establish an indoor ice rink at the former Brothers site. He said that the facility will be shared with other communities and will be open to the public. Mr. Shorey talked about an upcoming project to improve the science lab and noted that the Academy has an undefeated robotics team that has qualified for the State competition in April. A program to develop an American curriculum in Prague was also discussed as schools like Foxcroft Academy are being asked to share their curriculums in developing exchange programs. Headmaster Shorey and the Board discussed the importance of vocational training and creating bridges for students who are entering the workforce.
The Board thanked Supt. Stacy Shorey and Headmaster Arnold Shorey for their presentations.

C. Open Session – Board of Selectmen
Selectman D’Agostino talked about a meeting she attended regarding the Maine Highlands Senior Center. She said the meeting was focused on the remaining $300,000 in funding needed for the building, programming, and the need for additional board members.

D. Adjustments to the Agenda

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS
Public Works/Wastewater, 1/10/18
Solid Waste/Recreation/Cemetery/Promotion & Development, 1/17/18
Administrative/Assessing, 1/19/18

Town Manager Clukey reported that the committees met to discuss proposed FY 18-19 budgets.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
IX. NEW BUSINESS
A. County Broadband Assessment Report – Chris Winstead
Chris Winstead from PCEDC gave a presentation on the County Broadband Assessment. Georgia Underwood from PCEDC was also present. Chris Winstead shared information from a survey of over 500 participants. He said that some of the issues presented involved employment and the inability to work remotely and students having difficulty accessing school work from home. Mr. Winstead said there is also a question of the affordability in terms of infrastructure. Board members talked about the broadband initiative and what the next steps for our community could be in finding multiple solutions. Chris Winstead said that he would be presenting the proposal to other communities and that he would share the statistics between communities. He said he also plans on strategy sessions. He said not to expect an immediate turn around but asked the town to be an advocate for broadband and to have a willingness to hold or attend public meetings to broaden the conversation. It was noted that Bangor Natural Gas has a wonderful model to consider and that the town should follow through in a manner that benefits the entire county and builds off of other successes.

B. Police Department Appointment
Police Chief Ryan Reardon recommended Robert M. Cook as Patrol Officer and Constable for the Town of Dover-Foxcroft. Chief Reardon said that Mr. Cook is a Milo resident working full time for the Milo Police Department and is interested in working part time for Dover-Foxcroft.

Resolution #139-012218
MOTION: D’Agostino, seconded: Conroy, and voted unanimously (5-0) to appoint Robert M. Cook as Constable with a term to expire June 30, 2018. Motion passed.
C. Sewer Billing 2018 – 3rd Quarter
Resolution #140-012218
MOTION: D’Agostino, seconded: Taylor, and voted unanimously (5-0) to approve the 3rd Quarter Sewer Billing for the period of October 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017. Motion passed.

D. County Tax Assessment
Resolution #141-012218
MOTION: D’Agostino, seconded: Conroy, and voted unanimously (5-0) to sign the County Tax Assessment in the amount of $434,662.00. Motion passed.

E. Town Manager’s Report
Town Manager, Jack Clukey, gave the following report: RealTerm has our street light criteria discussed at the December meeting and should have a preliminary report put together over the next few weeks.

Age friendly community volunteers have been collecting survey information since November and they have extended the survey period so that the survey can be included in the upcoming sewer billing at the end of the month.

The work at the Park Street field was finished in early December. It has new infield mix and sod and will be ready to use in the spring. The work was donated by Gordon Construction. The Board discussed acknowledging Gordon Construction for their work. The Town Manager said that the plan is to have a sign at the site.

X. CORRESPONDENCE
-RSU No. 68 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes and Policies, 010218

XI. CLOSING REMARKS (Open Session if necessary and time permitting.)

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

XIII. ADJOURN
Resolution #142-012218
MOTION: Grammont, seconded: Conroy, and voted unanimously (5-0) to adjourn at 8:25 PM. Motion passed.
Respectfully submitted,
Town of Dover-Foxcroft Board of Selectmen

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