

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Meeting Minutes

January 19, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: Gil opened the meeting at 7:05PM.

SELECTMEN IN ATTENDANCE:

Gilbert S. Harris, Joanne L. Andrews, Dorothy M. Richard, Wendy M. Thorne, Heath D. Edgerly

MINUTES:

- Joanne **motioned** to approve the minutes for January 11. Wendy **second**. **All** were in favor.

WARRANT:

- Heath brought up that he had questions about the warrants, he brought up a Fire Department time card and how the times were written in but had no approval signature and he had asked Laura May to look into it for him. Heath brought up the bill from the Road Commissioner for the culvert for the solar farm and that the Road Commissioner had said that the law says that if it is a town road the Road Commissioner is the one who has to put it in and if the property owner pays for it he is wondering why they are taking it out of the budget and asked if someone could look into that because he could not find where it says the Road Commissioner has to be the one to install it if it is on town property. Wendy said that she would see if she could find something. Gil made the comment that it is at the landowner's expense and the Road Commissioner installs it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Dottie told everyone that the Selectmen would be meeting the next Monday at 7:00PM and the Board of Appeals would be meeting on Wednesday the next week at 7:00PM. Heath asked when their next meeting with the Budget Committee would be and Wendy asked when they would like one. Heath brought up that they would tentatively be meeting on Thursday of this week.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- Gil asked if they would be deferring cash flow reviews until after the budget is over and Wendy said yes.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Overlook camera: Dottie said that she had not gotten a written quote from Bob but she had called him in to show him exactly what Norris said so that he knew what he was bidding on and he is considerably less if the amount that Courtney had sent in an email is correct. Heath asked about the dollar amount and Dottie told him \$1725 versus \$785. Heath **motioned** to have Bob DeVilleneuve install the power and move forward with this project. Dottie

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second. Gil brought up that they are waiting on a written quote from Bob DeVilleneuve. Heath **amended his motion** to accept the \$785 once we receive his written estimate from Bob DeVilleneuve. Joanne **second.** **All** were in favor.

- Public Hearing for warrant articles: Dottie brought up before their meeting February 22 and Heath said that it will probably take more than an hour because there are a lot of questions and Joanne asked when the absentee ballots come out because they should have it before then. Dottie told her February 12. Heath made the comment that there is no TV for the town right now and Stephanie said that SRC-TV had not activated them on their end and they had been notified. Dottie brought up February 8 because it is their Monday meeting and Gil said that if it runs into the meeting then they can just meet afterwards and try to keep the agenda short for that week. The Board decided on February 8 at 6:00PM.
- Ecomaine contract: Gil brought up that it is the one year contract and that they had voted on it and it just needs to be signed and Joanne told him that she had sent it to everyone to read over and then they can sign it. Gil said that he would sign it.
- March Town Meeting venue: Gil said that they are still waiting on it and that it will be detailed and expensive to get the second floor of the Brick Town Hall set up. Heath said that he had talked to Patrick and that they can set it up as a zoom meeting from floor to floor and that he would address that with them on Thursday and that he didn't see any problem with using the Brick Town Hall.
- Gil brought up the walkway lights over at the Brick Town Hall and asked if anyone had taken a look at the ones that Steve said he would donate. Heath said that he was going to bring up one of each style of light and secure them to the handrails so the town can see what is offered and brought up that John Cleveland had made a statement about special posts for the lights and that there were bolts and Heath said that there are no bolts just 15 inch circles with two conduits. He brought up whatever lights they are going to buy, they are going to drill a hole and put four anchors in and that they are not special bases. Gil made the comment that they had put out the request for bids. Dottie asked if there would be a problem historically with grants that they have received that have to do with the Historical Commission and Heath said that the money they are using is not coming out of any grants and Dottie said that she believes that some of the grants are tied into what they do there being historical. Joanne said that as far as the state is concerned the Brick Town Hall is historical so anything they do there has to be approved by the Historical Commission and that she had spoken to Steve and that it would depend on if they approve that style of light. Heath brought up that his problem is that they waited until right before its time to put a warrant together to put this long architectural drawing together.
- Gil brought up the tablet for the Animal Control Officer and Heath asked who was supposed to order that and Heath asked if Laura May was supposed to do it and if someone had asked her to do it. Wendy said that it should have gone to our secretary and gone that route and Joanne said that Wade is going to provide a list at the end of the month for his entire activity for the month of January. Heath asked about how they are going to pay him when he turns in his time and that he could call seven or eight surrounding towns to see what the high average

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is. Joanne said that Wade would like a copy of what information Heath had gotten from the five towns and Heath said to do with the tablet sure and Joanne said it had to do with pay and Dottie said pay and mileage and Heath said that he could do that. Gil asked if the pay is a stipend and Heath said that other towns are paying x amount of dollars per hour. Heath asked if he wanted the amounts and Joanne said that he just wants the list of the towns that he had contacted and Gil said that it may have to be next year to change the method of pay. Joanne made the comment that he is still under dual contract with Waterboro and that the town has the contract with Waterboro. Heath asked if he could get a copy of that and Joanne said that he could get it from Courtney.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Budgets to review for workshop: Gil said that they are finished reviewing the department budgets.
- Connectivity Point Proposal: Heath said that they should put this on hold because this was designed to get us high speed internet and it sounds to him like they are salesmen and why they wouldn't go directly to their provider to find out what equipment they need and that he had sent it to Patrick and he had said that one would run his facility and they have an extra one on the shelf that they don't use. Table it until after they get a chance to talk to Patrick about it. Dottie said that there are two of them, one for the Brick Town Hall and one for the Municipal Building and Heath said that Patrick had said that it is not something that is not commonly sold and that out of seven towns Limerick is the only one with problems with the equipment.
- Flag pole donation: Gil brought up that they had a pole donation for the ballpark and Heath said the flag and the pole but they would have to install it and Joanne asked if they would have to keep that lit and Dottie said that is the proper way to do it. Heath brought up that there is a light pole right next to it and the people who raise and lower the flag are able to pick one up. Heath asked if they can accept donations since it is town property and he was told they can and that he would go down and put it up. Heath **motioned** to accept the donation. Wendy **second**. Joanne asked how tall it is and Heath said that he did not have the specifications on it and that it is a commercial grade flagpole. **Three were in favor, Dottie and Wendy were opposed.** Joanne brought up needing to know how tall it is.
- No Loitering Signage: Gil brought up the parking area behind the Municipal Building and the parking area at the boat launch being trashed and that to have it be enforceable they need to have No Loitering signs and that Bob does not have any but he can get some. Dottie **motioned** that we put No Loitering signs up behind the Municipal Building and down at the boat launch. Joanne **second**. Heath brought up the overlook looking like a trash pit and it would stop someone from staying there and address it for dawn till dusk hours so people can't park at the overlook overnight. Joanne said that she has no problem putting one up at the lookout also. Dottie **amended her motion** to say to put signs up at the boat launch, Municipal Building, and the overlook. Joanne **second**. **All** were in favor. Heath brought up that they can't put signs up at the boat launch because it is state property and that they need

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to contact Cindy if they put signs up at the Municipal Building because some of them use the internet and Dottie said that the issue is people who will sleep there and spend the night and Heath asked who is going to monitor this. Joanne said that she thought that the sheriff could not do anything unless they have signs up and Gil said that they would need to check with the state to see if they can put a sign up at the boat launch and Joanne said that the state should put the signs up. Heath brought up that when he talked to the sheriff that he was told that they can do something about the littering if they see it and Dottie said that they can enforce the trash but can't tell them to leave without a sign and Heath made the comment of giving the custodian an extra hour to go clean it up and it hasn't been touched yet. Joanne brought up putting up a big sign that says No Overnight Parking and that should cover it. Heath made the comment of not making allegations and Gil said that they are not making any allegations and that they are trying to find a solution. Gil brought up putting up the two signs and then asking the state about the boat launch and Heath asked about calling the gentleman from the state and Wendy said sure. Joanne asked about adding littering to the sign and Gil said loitering and littering would be enough and Joanne brought up No Parking Overnight and Heath made the comment of the littering happening during the day. Wendy asked if they have those signs do they need an ordinance to enforce them and Heath brought up the two entrances at the overlook. Joanne brought up having these questions answered before they have any signs made. Gil brought up rescinded the immediate action of putting up the signs and to look into it. Heath said that he would contact the state and Dottie said that she would contact MMA about needing a policy or ordinance to enforce it. Heath brought up the American Legion parking at the boat launch overnight for the fishing derby and to have some kind of permit for that kind of thing and Gil said that if it's by permission it's not loitering.

- Approve corrective deed to map 42 lot 160: Dottie said that it was a lot that was sold to an abutter and that she did not have the correct information and put it into the woman's name not the trust, the attorney wrote this up. Joanne asked if there was a cover letter with it and Dottie said yes it is on her desk. Dottie **motioned** to sign the corrective deed for map 42 lot 160. Wendy **second**. **All** were in favor. Dottie said that she would put them right next to the warrants.
- American Legion Request: Gil asked if this was in the budget and if they just need to approve that and Wendy said yes and that it is already budgeted and asked if this is for the warrant. Dottie told everyone that she had just asked Mike Ward to put it in writing. Gil read what they had received. Heath brought it up needing to go to the Budget Committee and Dottie told him that they already have it.
- TRIO toolbox webinar-should anyone attend?: Gil brought it up and asked if anyone would want to go or if they should open it to anyone. Dottie brought up that it might be more for the Boards and the people who don't really use it very much. Joanne asked if all towns use TRIO and Dottie said a good majority of the towns in the state do. Heath asked if this is not live and Dottie told him it is on the internet just not on TV.

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- Saco River Corridor alternate Commissioner position: Gil brought up that the person that was recommended to be appointed is not able to fulfill the duty and Dottie said that it seems like Saco River just wants a letter rescinding that appointment. Heath brought up vetting people before voting them into the position and Dottie said that no one volunteered for the position and she came in and said that she wanted to be a part of it. Wendy brought up that it is extenuating circumstances. Dottie told the Board that they have someone in mind they just didn't say who. Gil asked if Dottie could write the letter and she said that she would draft one. Joanne **motioned** that we send a letter to Saco River Corridor rescinding the position that we voted on with one signature for the chairman. Dottie **second**. **All** were in favor.
- Paint grant: Gil brought up finding a place that would take the offer of that paint if they apply for that grant and Heath brought up the Moore building, the band stand and asked if this is entering us into some sort of contest. Joanne said no it's a grant and that they are looking for an organization not necessarily a municipality. Gil read the email from Adam Wordwell and Dottie brought up the Grange Hall that the Boy Scouts own. Heath brought up reaching out to further the question forward to a non-profit organization. Gil asked who was in charge of the Boy Scouts and Joanne said Laurie Thyng and that she could talk to her. Joanne asked if anyone knows who is in charge of the old Baptist Church up on the hill and asked if there is a group trying to do some work on that and that they could probably use that 20 gallons of paint for that building. Heath made the comment about the cemetery beside Howard Burnham's when they were dealing with the tree damage and brought up that Shirley Keller-Williams would be one of the people to contact Howard Burnham being the other about the paint. Gil said that he would try to contact Shirley
- Dottie brought up the website being down and having a Facebook page for the Town of Limerick that is open to everybody and Heath brought up people in town being able to make a new town website. Heath **motioned** that we contact somebody to make us a new website. Wendy **second**. Joanne brought up putting feelers out and having volunteers and Heath made the comment of contacting a few people and putting this off for a week and Gil said that he had a couple people he can reach out to as well. Heath let everyone know that Dave Candage had said that he could write up a website for them. Heath told everyone that the website is backup and that it is an older backup and that Laura is taking care of that side of things and Dottie said that it is partially up and Laura still has work to do on it.
- Heath brought up that he had talked to Rob at HVAC about grants for heating and ventilation at the Municipal Building. Heath brought up that there is no battery backup for the vault and the other problem being that there is no internet for it to connect to Mike's phone for the failsafe system and about getting rid of the wireless router in the building and getting a hardware router. Heath brought up the system telling Norris there is a problem but not telling where or what it is and they should look into an update. Gil brought up that there is a state grant for the mini split heating and air conditioning thing as well as LED and he said that he would forward it to everybody to see if that is something they can apply for. Gil brought up there being plenty of tasks to go around.

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- Wendy brought up the meeting with SRC TV at 4:00 on Thursday and she asked when the Budget Committee wants to meet with them and where and Heath said Thursday at the Brick Town Hall at 6:00PM but they were waiting to hear from Courtney.

ADJOURN MEETING:

- Wendy **motioned** to adjourn. **All** were in favor.
- The Meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM.

These minutes were approved by the Limerick Board of Selectmen on: January 25, 2021

End of Broadcast

Respectfully submitted,

Courtney Davis

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