

BOARD OF SELECTPERSON

Meeting Minutes

March 6, 2023

CALL TO ORDER:

John opened the meeting with the flag salute at 7:00 PM

SELECT BOARD IN ATTENDANCE:

John Medici, Katie Proctor, Wade Andrews, Gil Harris

ATTENDEES: Alesha Buzzell, Gail Libby, Cheryl Edgerly, Charlie Pellegrino, Nick Storer, Ricky Richardson, Neal Meltzer, Merrill Farrand, Cindy Smith, Judy LePage, Michelle Graffam, Joanne Andrews, Billy Jones, Craig Allen

MINUTES:

Approve minutes of February 27th: Wade **motioned**, Katie **seconded**, **all** in favor.

WARRANT:

Motion to accept warrants: Katie **motioned**, Gil **seconded**, **all** in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Read Announcements: Wade read the announcements.

John announced a letter of resignation from Ron Smith. John looking for a motion to accept Ron's resignation with regret, Gil **motioned**, Katie **seconded**, **all** in favor. The Town Clerk let the Board know that the Board has a few options in regard to filling the open spot. No one can go in as a write-in candidate for this position on the March ballot as there is not an open spot on the ballot. The Board can wait until next March to fill the position, or they can allow candidates to run for the June ballot. Gil **motioned** to add the position onto the June ballot, Katie **seconded**, **all** in favor.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

OLD BUSINESS:

Fire Building Update- There is no update on the building itself. The committee is trying to track the \$1.8 million dollars from the Federal Government. It has been approved, the next step is trying to determine when, how and where it will come through. The Government cannot give a timeline when this money will be received. The voters did approve the Selectboard to apply for monies for enough to build the Fire Station without the \$1.8 million. If we do not use it then we do not spend it but if the \$1.8 million dollars is held up with the Government, then the project can at least move forward based on the voter approval. When the money does come in the options

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will be to pay the bank back or the bills depending on when it happens. More updating to come. Next Friday Angus King is coming to Town, and this will be discussed with him.

Bandstand update to repair- The last donation was picked up last week by Neal and Ron from Partners Bank, it was a very sizable and generous donation and was given to the Treasurer. There is more money than needed to meet the contract. If any unforeseen issues come up, there is some money to fix those issues. Some of the extra money could also go into account for future maintenance on the Bandstand. Friday, they started the work and were able to remove most of the ceiling. Some of the top plates are rotted and some of the rafter tails. These are unforeseen issues and will fall into the contract in that area. Right now, the projected cost is under \$1000 to fix, Greg's goal is to try and absorb that through the process unless more concerns come up that will need to be addressed. The contractor has been communicating well with Neal and progress is moving quite well.

Review of Legal Accounts- Not nothing to update. No new bill has come yet.

FOAA Requests- Nothing new to update.

Deed work for Tibbetts Park update – Mike did some deed work, and he found a new deed from further back and as soon as the snow melts, he will find the three granite monument markers. He will update us when that has happened.

Town Charter Update: No new update.

BTH Repairs- This includes a few different items, the walkway and ramp and a 2nd fire escape on the first floor. The walkway and ramp should be taken care of this Spring and once the Building Advisory Committee does their report, we will see what direction we will move in for the 2nd fire escape door on the 1st floor. As for now the 1st floor occupancy will stay at 49 people. With the weather change this week, the front ramp was dead on, it is a big factor in the ramp is exact or off by 1/16th.

Cemetery Mowing/ Veteran's graves- The meeting was rescheduled to March 13th. We did get a list of all the cemeteries in the Town that is available to see in the library.

Woodsome Wildlife Sanctuary sign update- The family is going to take it down to Sanford to the monument place and will get an estimate. Wade will continue to update as more information becomes available.

Town owned Property Letters- There are 6 properties that the Town has foreclosed on. The letters have not gone out yet but will within the next few weeks. They are currently with the Town attorney for revision. Once she sends them back, we will send out.

COVID Clinic- March 23rd from 10-2Pm in the basement at the Municipal Building. They can have shots or boosters.

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Hollandville Project- Another project that has \$1 million dollars coming from the Federal Government. Their money is being administered through the EPA and the EPA has stated we will let you know when we are ready. They are still working on 2022 cases. The Board agreed last week to sign a contract with the contractor, but it has not been officially signed. The contract is being held at this point, but this project is in the same boat as the Fire Station. The Town is looking at some other ways to get this project funded. It has been said that you cannot repay yourself with this grant money later. This job will not start until the Board is 100% certain there are enough funds to pay the contractor.

Vault Concerns: HVAC services is putting together a proposal for a humidification system for that building. We will wait to see the proposal. This will help with summer and winter weather.

Pickerel Pond Deed concern- There is no deed for the island at this time that anyone can find. The Town does own it. Wade will check with Mike to see what it would cost to get a deed description. More updating to come.

June Election- warrant article items to TC by 4/14- if anyone has anything they would like to be on this ballot. If anyone has any thoughts or ideas to consider, please reach out the Board, if not approved then you can do a citizen's petition.

2022 MMA General Assistance Ordinance- Public Hearing on 3/13 at 7PM to adopt the Ordinance.

Staff Meetings-It did not work as well as the Board had hoped. Moving forward, as long as there is not two Board members present then it is not considered a Select Board meeting. The Board could have individual executive sessions with each employee. The Board is open to any ideas. Right now, the Board is leaving it up to the Staff in the building to pick a few times to meet.

New Business:

BTH Application- Masons for a dinner on April 1, 2023, to raise funds, John looking for a motion to accept the Masons on 4/1/23 to use the BTH, Wade **motioned**, Gil **seconded**, **all** in favor.

BTH Application- Kelly Howes to use the BTH on 4/15/23 but she is not a Limerick Resident, so the Board declined. All members **opposed** her using the BTH. Alesha will let Kelly know.

CIA Application for Automobile Graveyard/Junkyard Permit- Preliminary Discussion- The Board has received the application and check from Shawn. The Board was emailed the State Statue information from the Town attorney. John would like the Board to all review the information for the next Board meeting where it will become a discussion.

Current Town Ways Plowing Bid- The current agreement will expire at the end of this snow season. There will be a few changes, diesel will go to \$5.00, John will check with Bob and Steve to see if they think the 80lbs should go to 100lbs of salt mixed with sand. The Board will review the contract for other changes. A letter of credit or performance bond will need to be in place within 30 days of the bid award. Also list of equipment or proof of purchase due by 9/1/23. We will

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advertise for three weeks and bids will be due 4/10. John looking for a motion to put the Winter Road Maintenance Agreement for a three-year period out to bid with the current specs and consultation with current contractor and Road Commissioner, Katie **motioned**, Wade **seconded**, **all** in favor.

Sign letter for S. McLean- The Board will sign at the end of the meeting.

OTIS email- We received an email that the controller in our elevator is obsolete, and replacements is no longer available. Alesha will get an estimated proposal for charges.

Review Code of Ethics Review- John would like to have one change. On page 4, letter G, he would like to see that the Board is responsible for a letter of reprimand instead of just the Chair. Alesha will make the change and bring back next week for the Board to sign. It will then go to every department head and employee with a receipt of acknowledgment.

Email from Town Clerk- Read earlier in the night.

Town Report done- can be picked up or available on Town webpage-

Gil would like to make a **motion** that all Board members, elected officials, and Town employees attend any MMA workshops at their discretion without getting approval each time, Katie **seconded**, **all** in favor.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Nick Storer- Piece of metal found in the snow uptown before he went to snow blow.

Judy LePage- Questioning something that was said by John the week previous, elected officials not being overseen by the Board.

Craig Allen- concern about the microphones and TVs and Lake Arrowhead lots that the Board sell. John stated that the Town should reestablish a Lake Arrowhead Committee. If anyone is interested, please reach out to Alesha. It will be limited to 4 residents and the CEO.

Steve McLean- Pickerel Pond Island Deed question.

Gail Libby- Update from the DOJ on legal action

ADJOURN MEETING: Gil **motioned** to adjourn; Katie seconded; **all** were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:54PM.

These minutes were approved by the Limerick Board of Selectmen on: Monday, March 20, 2023

End of Broadcast

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Respectfully submitted,

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