

**BOARD OF SELECTPERSON**

**Meeting Minutes**

**February 26, 2024**

**PUBLIC HEARING- CDBG PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM- 6:00-6:22PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

Gil called the meeting to order at 7:00PM with the Flag Salute

SELECT BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

**Gil Harris, Wade Andrews, John Medici, Brady Connors, Absent: Katie Proctor**

MEMBERS IN AUDIENCE:

Alesha Buzzell, Merrill Farrand, Deb Jeffers, Gail Libby, Cindy Smith, Steve McLean

MINUTES:

Motion to approve the minutes: Wade **motioned**, Brady **seconded**, **all** in favor.

WARRANT:

There were no warrants to approve at the meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Read Announcements: Brady read the announcements.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

**Cindy Smith, Librarian:**

They had 34 kids show up the other day for a paint class for squish mellows. They are still holding card games on Mondays at 1pm. They had a writer's workshop on Saturdays, and they have one more coming up and then they will have a different writer's workshop coming up that will be on the second and fourth Fridays beginning March 8<sup>th</sup> from 2-4PM. This will be limited to 8 people, and they already have 6 signed up. On Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup> they have an author coming, Margaret Jones, she wrote Walking Sacred Grounds, this will be at 11AM. The library will be closed on Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> for voting day. They have another program they are starting on March 19<sup>th</sup>; this will be on the third Tuesday of the month and is called Cook the Book. The idea is that you have one cookbook and everyone who comes picks one recipe to cook and then they have a potluck. Then they will pick another cookbook to use and cook from.

She would like to start a meet and greet for homeschoolers. This will be on the second Tuesday of each month at 11AM beginning March 12<sup>th</sup>. This will hopefully help build some friendships and they can share ideas and resources with each other. They have ongoing book discussions; the kids are on the second Wednesdays at 4pm. There are two adult book discussions, one is on the last Wednesday of the month, one at 10AM and the other 6:15PM. They have 400 solar eclipse glasses they can pass out. You can come and pick up a pair. Storytime is every Tuesday at 10AM, Lego

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Club is on Tuesdays at 3PM and Saturdays at 10AM. The artist of the month for March is Skye MacCarthy and she is the owner of Twisted Willows Barn Quilts which she displays at Willow Brook in the big barn. The exhibit right now that will come down this week are several pieces from a citizen that taught at a girls' school in Tanzania in the 1960s. She displayed carvings, weavings, etc. They have a newsletter that will go on the website, Facebook, and will be able at the library desk if you would like to come grab one. They are planning the summer reading program now, more details to follow.

#### **Steve McLean, Budget Committee:**

Wanted to know if the Board had added money into the budget for Laura May, the current Treasurer, to come in and train the new Treasurer when she starts. John believes they added to the Treasurer budget for this, he later confirms in the meeting that they did. He also asked about the money that needed to be allocated to keep the current fire station running while they transition to the new fire station. This was added to Vinnie's budget.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Cemetery Mowing (Veterans/Cemetery Committee- No new update this week.

Fire Building Update- Drywall installation was completed, and sanding and preparation continues for painting to begin next week. The computers, security and sound system work will continue this week. The mezzanine stair and balcony railing installation began today. The elevator installation began last week, and HVAC equipment is being installed. All projects are on schedule.

Review of Legal Accounts- There were no new legal bills this week.

FOAA Requests- There is nothing new this week and the requests as always are posted on the Town website.

Deed work for Tibbetts Park update- Wade has not heard anything from Mike yet.

Town Charter Update- Nothing new to report this week but their next meeting is March 14<sup>th</sup> at 7PM.

BTH Repairs/inside repairs-Alesha sent the quote over to the adjuster for MMA that is handling this case. He does not believe that we have to make this bathroom ADA compliant because the floor is not ADA accessible. He thought the quote was higher than it should be, and it may be higher because essentially, we needed to quote for ripping down the wall for the second bathroom and making two into one. Alesha will follow up with the adjuster and the CEO to find out the next step.

Town-owned Property Letters- Nothing new to report this week.

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Vault Concerns/permanent water line- There have been a few good days but there have been a few alarms going off. They will tweak the humidifier a little at a time until we find the perfect setting.

New Business Park Sign- This will happen in the spring.

Shelter Survey- Nothing new to update.

Town Sign Update-We are waiting for the electrician to come and finish the sign.

Re-purposing of the Boat Launch in Lake Arrowhead for the public to access- kayaks, canoes, and fishing only, no boats- An update will happen in the Spring.

MMA inspections report follow-up- The Board received a copy of red line changes and will take a look at this to discuss next week.

Auction of Lake Arrowhead lots-The Board is holding off until they receive more legal advice.

Minuteman Proposal for Overlook and Municipal Office cameras, heat detectors- John received information from a new company but is waiting for the information from the Treasurer. He should have the information by the next meeting.

Proposal for Municipal Building Furnace- The board reviewed the three quotes. They range from \$8,000 to \$700. Gil wants to have a discussion with the custodian to get his opinion and then Alesha will reach out to one of the contractors.

Addition to Personnel Policy- This will be a part of the Charter Commission update.

Abutter Request from 1/2/24- John sent the information to Bernstein and Shur to review. They should send back the information within a few weeks.

Cemetery Contract- need new contractor- The bids are due back March 20<sup>th</sup> at 12PM.

Squad Truck Bid Update- John still needs to follow up with Vinnie, he will try to do that this week.

Follow-up on Article 29 for March vote- John **motioned** to request that the Town Clerk invalidate Article 29 at the March 5<sup>th</sup> vote no matter the outcome, Wade **seconded, all** in favor.

### **New Business:**

BTH Application- Freedom Lodge for March 30<sup>th</sup> for a dinner, Wade **motioned**, Brady **seconded, all** in favor.

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BTH Application- John motioned to accept the BTH application on March 16<sup>th</sup>, Brady **seconded, all** in favor.

Discussion of June Warrant Articles-

Sidewalk Contract

Sale of LA lots

CEO Subdivision Ordinance

Mellen's Contract

Flood Plan Ordinance by CEO

Allaire Drive- Sign letter to previous owner- Gil will sign this letter at the end of the meeting. The CEO has been working on this, the letter is going to Myron Edgerly.

Alesha will take off the Mellen's contract, this does not need to be on there now. The Board is able to stay with a current contractor for another year according to our Bill Policy.

Request of appointments to the Building Advisory Committee- Wade **motioned** to appoint or reappoint Joanne Andrews, Gail Libby, Brady Connors, Stephanie Bishop. Mary Pinero and Amy Wells to the Building Advisory Committee, John **seconded, all** in favor, **one** abstained.

#### HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Gail Libby- Connectivity Point will be at the BTH on March 18, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 20<sup>th</sup> to install the media equipment. SRCTV is changing their transmission methodology that will require some testing and they are asking to do this at the BTH and if all works then the transmission methodology will also be changing at the Municipal Building. She has asked them to notify the Select Board of what they were doing. It may mean a change in the internet billing and may cost more money, but she is not 100% sure.

Steve McLean- He wants to know who is going to enforce the signs on the Main Street that were put up. John believes the State Police will be doing this, but Brady will check with Stan to see who will be enforcing it. He also wanted to know if the Board had come to any agreement about the PTO and where that was at. This has not been settled yet. He would also like to see if the new fire station pictures can continue to go on Facebook and the Town website each week.

Merrill Farrand- Wanted to know if Paul Marrocco's pit that is on Range E Road that had been given permission to use the road during the road posting for the last two years still have that ability since the company had been sold. This was an agreement for each year that was made, and they would need to continue to come forward if they wanted this to happen again. It is not automatic.

ADJOURN MEETING: Brady motioned to adjourn; Wade **seconded; all** were in favor at 7:52 PM These minutes were approved by the Limerick Board of Select Board on: Monday, March 11, 2024.

End of Broadcast

Respectfully submitted,

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