

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Meeting Minutes

May 17, 2021

SELECTMEN IN ATTENDANCE:

John M. Medici, Wendy M. Thorne, Heath D. Edgerly, David C. Gibson, Wade E. Andrews

ATTENDEES:

- Sue McIntyre, John McIntyre, Joanne Andrews, DeeDee Tibbetts, David McLean, Howard Burnham, Bernie Carroll, Dave Candage, Joe Parsons, Steve McLean, Craig Allen, Michael McLean, Cindy Smith

CALL TO ORDER:

- Medici opened the meeting with the pledge at 7:00PM.

MINUTES:

- Thorne **motioned** to approve the minutes for May 10. Gibson **second**.
 - Motion passed 5-0

WARRANT:

- Thorne **motioned** to approve the warrants as presented. Andrews **second**. Medici brought up seeing invoices that they are paying late fees on and there was discussion on figuring out what is going on.
 - Motion passed 5-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Andrews read the announcements

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- Joe Parsons, Recreation: Brought up the bleachers and there was discussion on what to do about them and what money they had put aside for them.
- DeeDee Tibbetts, Town Clerk: Let everyone know absentee ballots are available and told everyone about the free stuff for being vaccinated that people can do. Told everyone about doing a Memorial Day parade.
- Schedule for department reports: Medici brought up starting this with the June 1st meeting. Thorne **motioned** to accept the department heads schedule to give their report to the Board of Selectmen based on what is presented to us. Gibson **second**. Edgerly brought up committees and there was discussion on what to do with the committees.
 - Motion passed 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

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- Update on Public safety Building Committee: Michael McLean brought up members doing homework for the committee and told everyone that they are going to continue working on the scope of work. Michael McLean brought up having the Board approve someone to be hired for the Fire Department. Thorne **motioned** that we employ this gentleman pending his background check. Gibson **second**. Motion passed 5-0. Michael McLean asked about Michael Lalonde's survey and he was told that it is being worked on.
- Update on Fire Chief Hiring Committee: Medici brought up an email that they had received about the Fire Chief position. David McLean gave a quick overview of the meetings that the committee had had so far. There was discussion on advertising it other places but the costs were too much and there was discussion on where the applications would go to.
- Business Park lots update/sale: Medici told everyone that there is really no update and that they are still waiting on the deed and Maine Boundary consultants to finish their work. There was discussion on the Business Park committee and the people who want to be on the committee. Sue McIntyre made a comment about the business park and the committee. There was discussion on the lots in the business park and the DEP regulations that they have to go by. Joanne Andrews made a comment about other lots going through the Limerick Development Corporation and if whoever buys them needs warranty deeds then they need to go through the LDC. Steve McLean made a comment about the lots in the business park other than 5 and 7 have been levelled out.
- Develop committee for conservation easement from article 17: Waiting for the vote on this.
- Band Stand issues: Waiting for more proposals.
- O'Donnell's contract: Medici brought up talking to Mike O'Donnell about coming in and discussing the contract and that O'Donnell's are willing to continue on working with the stipulations from the most recent contract. Steve McLean made a comment about the contract and there was discussion on looking at other companies who do it and about what they could have the assessor do and about having an in house assessor. The Board discussed updating the specifics of the contract.
- Records vault: There was discussion on what needs to be done for the vault.
- Main St crosswalks: Medici brought up after talking to the DOT a second time they sent a report on what they needed to do in order to put in the crosswalks. Edgerly brought up it not being put into the project when they were working on the sidewalks and there was discussion on moving forward. Gail Libby made a comment about no one mentioning crosswalks for Main Street and completing the scope of work and there was discussion on the crosswalks and the revitalization committee meetings. Sue McIntyre made a comment about not hearing anyone mention crosswalks.
- Town owned properties: The Board discussed the people who had shown interest in the painting projects and about hiring one of them as an employee to paint the shed behind the Municipal Building. Thorne **motioned** to hire Merlon Sargeant to do some temporary part-time painting. Edgerly **second**. There was discussion on the project and on how much to pay him \$20 per hour and they agreed with that. Thorne **amended her motion** to hire Merlon Sargeant at the rate of \$20 an hour for miscellaneous painting jobs in the town. And there was an agreement for it to not exceed 20 hours a week. Gibson **second**.
 - Motion passed 5-0.
- Potential sale of town owned properties: There was discussion on the lots in Lake Arrowhead and what lots can and cannot be sold and about having Dottie mark the lots in different colors so that they know if they can sell them or not. There was discussion on increasing the assessing/ Code Enforcement Officer's secretary's hours. Edgerly brought up

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advertising for the Code Enforcement Officers position and there was a discussion on re-advertising it. Dave Candage made a comment about having a page on the website for open positions in the town. DeeDee Tibbetts asked a question about Dottie's position as assessing and if this combined with Code would put her over and she was told that no 29 would be her total hours. Edgerly **motioned** that we put it out there for Dottie up to 29 hours and revisit this in 90 days. Thorne **second**.

- Motion passed 5-0.
- Thorne brought up getting new air conditioners and there was discussion about having the custodian assessing each air conditioner that is at the Municipal Building and on which ones to go in first. Steve McLean brought up the heat pumps and there was discussion on having had people come in to take a look.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Vacation request: Edgerly **motioned** to approve it. Gibson **second**.
 - Motion passed 5-0. Medici thanked the secretary for what she does.
- Schedule Executive Session under MRS 405 6A: There was discussion on having this next week, Monday, May 18 at 6:30PM. There was discussion on the notifying of Executive Sessions.

REVIEW CORRESPONDENCE:

- Email from a citizen about an appeal of a Code Enforcement Officer's decision and there was discussion on how this is supposed to be handled. Steve McLean made a comment about how things are supposed to be taken care of.
- Medici brought up the email from the gentleman applying for the Fire Chief position.
- Medici brought up the email from Maine Spirit of America.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

- Delores Floyd made a comment about not having to let the assessor into their property and there was discussion on it.
- Thorne brought up the Personnel Policy and how she had been working on it with the attorney.
- Thorne brought up working on a Special Town Meeting for Maine State Retirement for the new Fire Chief and there was discussion on how to handle it.
- Thorne brought up till 2011 there was a housekeeping article that allowed the Board of Selectmen to sell lots in the Business Park to the Limerick Development Corporation.
- Edgerly brought up the CEO position and if people need certifications to apply for the job and there was discussion on advertising it.

ADJOURN MEETING:

- Thorne **motioned** to adjourn. Gibson **second**.
 - Motion passed 5-0
- The Meeting was adjourned at 8:40PM.

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These minutes were approved by the Limerick Board of Selectmen on: May 24, 2021

End of Broadcast

Respectfully submitted,

Courtney Davis

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Under Brick Town Hall
May 17, 2021
By Gail Libby