

BOARD OF SELECTPERSON
Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2024

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, Joanne Andrews, Gail Libby, Stan Hackett, Calista Cross, Dottie Richard, Steve McLean

MINUTES:

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

WARRANT:

Motion to accept warrants: Brady **motioned**, Wade **seconded**, **all** in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Read Announcements: Brady read the announcements.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Calista Cross, Discussion on Veterans Bridge:

She is looking to name a bridge in Limerick after the Veterans. The only requirement for the State is to send in an approval letter that has the location, the name and approval of changing the name of the bridge. She selected 3157 which is now called the Sokokis Lake Bridge and she would like to see it called Sokokis Lake Veterans Memorial Bridge. John **motioned** to authorize the Sokokis Lake Bridge to be renamed the Sokokis Lake Veterans Memorial Bridge, Wade **seconded**, **all** in favor. Alesha will follow up with Calista to get the letter and have it signed by the Board at the next Select Board meeting and then sent to the State.

Joanne Andrews, Transfer Station:

She had a container brought back because it was in such poor condition, it is not able to be used anymore. She had Corey Brulotte come take a look at it and what it would take to restore it. He said at least \$5,000 but it is almost beyond repair. She would like permission to salvage it, she can sell it for scrap. She has two new ones coming if the article passes in March. John thinks she may do better if she offers it to a company that may want to buy it. John would like her to get the information to Alesha and do an ad for it for a sealed bid.

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Stan Hackett, CEO/Constable:

Permits as of February 8th, 2023, he issued 5 permits with revenues of \$1,415.52, in 2024 he has issued 10 permits and had a revenue of \$6,483.20. He has had some visits with the owners who purchased land off the Prokey Subdivision that are going to complete that subdivision. He received a call about the Range E Road solar farm, they are going to begin to move forward and have not pulled a permit yet, so they are under the current pricing when that happens. DEP touched base with him today, they have been mapping out the areas where the mill dump was. They have a very good idea of the sources, and they are going to do some core samples and drill down to the bedrock and at that point they will be able to determine if some homes will be better fitted with a new filtration system which they will provide. The other option is for them to provide the funding and manpower to extend the water district and their idea of extending is up Doles Ridge Road to Enterprise and a portion of Enterprise and all the way up to Brookside Lane which is off of Central Avenue. Last week he caught someone who put a mobile home on a property without a permit who is claiming poverty. If you do something without a permit it becomes double the fees. He told her that if she is poverty level that she could come before the Board, and they could waive all fees. Main Street has been posted for no parking from the top of the hill to in front of the pineapple house which should help with visibility. They will be adding sidewalk crossings as well, he is trying to find out what they will be doing for signal signs so people will slow down. Stan asked the Board if they had any questions about Article 29, Gil commented that he felt it was fine as written even though it omitted the number 4 in the warrant as the Attorney said it was a minor issue and the understanding was clear. For now, it will stay on the ballot. Stan agrees if it needs to be written to be more transparent and have it wait until June then he is agreeance with that. He also has a new plumbing permit for the Fire Station for \$248, he would like to waive, \$40 is for the State and cannot be waived. Wade **motioned** to waive the fees, John **seconded, all** in favor. He discussed with the Board his need for a new printer/scanner and monitor. John **motioned** to accept the three electronic items for the Code Office and take the cost from the Franchise Fee Account, Brady **seconded, all** in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

Cemetery Mowing (Veterans/Cemetery Committee- No new update this week, there will be more information in the Spring.

Fire Building Update- Plumbing and electrical rough ins are in and inspections are complete, security cameras and keypads are being installed. Drywall is being hung and taping has begun, and they are working on the sprinkler system. John asked that we let Vinnie know to not sign any contracts to monitor the security systems right now in case the Town switches to a new company. Alesha will let him know. Brady let the Board know they are welcome to do a walk thru with the Chief, they can set up a time.

Review of Legal Accounts- There was two new bills. One bill from Bernstein and Shur was for \$337.50, and Jensen Baird was for \$1417.00 for the month of January.

FOAA Requests- We had one from an Attorney that Dottie is handling and as always, they are posted on the Town website. John realized that John O'Donnell's has an option for citizens to call

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them and opt out for their tax information to be on there website. John **motioned** to instruct O'Donnell's to list all properties on their website and not allow individuals to request removal, Wade **seconded, all** in favor. Alesha will let Dottie know and this will be for all that are currently not on the website as well.

Deed work for Tibbetts Park update- Wade believes this will be done soon.

Town Charter Update- Nothing new to report this week.

BTH Repairs- The contractor should have a quote for the Board at the next meeting.

Town-owned Property Letters- The Cure letter has been sent. Katie needs to finish setting up the payment plans with the Treasurer. The Cure letter is being attempted for another round because it has to be given to the person on the tax bill and they have not been able to get in touch with that person yet.

Vault Concerns/permanent water line- In going through the property with another security company they looked at the vault, the gentleman was knowledgeable, and part of the problem has been human error. The spread between the settings was too small so it was adjusted and changed. We are hoping this will work but an eye will need to be kept on it.

New Business Park Sign- Nothing new to update this week. We are waiting for the pole company who donated their time to come dig the holes, this will most likely happen in the Spring.

Shelter Survey- Katie has not gotten any updates from Ray yet.

Town Sign Update-We are waiting on the electrician who is waiting on parts. He has received the parts and will be in soon to fix the lights.

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- Alesha is working on the Emergency Action Plan and making good progress, she is finishing up on the last few items.

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

Minuteman Proposal for Overlook and Municipal Building- John reached out to three companies and he met with one company last week. He said the Overlook camera will only work by internet brought into the box at the site or cellular, he is going to price both of them and all the cameras needed for Municipal Building, and he will price the heat detectors. Our equipment that we have is still in good shape. John did talk to him about the Fire Station and Brick Town Hall as well to get all Town buildings all with the same company. We will discuss this when we get the quote and see what his yearly fees will be as well.

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Proposal for Municipal Building Furnace- The last quote should be available for the next meeting. Alesha did not receive the third quote as expected.

Addition to Personnel Policy- The Board received a copy from the Town attorney and will review and discuss at the next meeting.

Abutter Request from 1/2/24- This is being held off on from now. John thinks this might be a good test case to send this case to a new Attorney to see what their suggestion would be. John will work with Dottie to get all the information for the case and have another Attorney review. Also, we are going to have our Town Attorney send a letter to the gentleman that we believe owns Allaire Drive but no one knows for sure if he owns it or not. The letter will state that he signs off on it or paves the road to Town specifications. John will reach out to our Attorney.

Cemetery Contract- need new contractor- The Board agreed to change the number of times mowed from 9 and 8 to 4 for both cemeteries. Both cemeteries will need to be mowed a week prior to Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, and Indigenous Day. Also, the Board agreed to hold some pay back each year. They will add to the contract to hold 10% of each of the first 3 payments to be added to the 4th payment after the 4th mowing has been completed. Alesha will also add weed whacking and will bring back a draft for the Board to review next week.

Discussion of bill from SRCTV- The Board does not need to buy anything from SRCTV because the transmission process is going to change. This equipment was ruined at the BTH in the flood. We should still be reimbursed for the depreciated value of the equipment; Alesha sent the invoice to the insurance company. They may or may not pay for the equipment. Connectivity Point is ready to replace some of the equipment at the BTH, Gail wants to know if she can let them in to set up the new equipment. Gail will have them wait until we know what the plan is with the bathroom. They will also discuss this information at the Building Advisory Committee on Thursday.

Approval of printer/scanner for CEO- This was discussed earlier in the night.

New Business:

Squad Truck information from Fire Department- The Board was all given specs on the squad truck and if any more information was needed before it goes to bid. The lettering will be coming off as well. John **motioned** that we put the 1982 GMC K3500 Squad Four out to sealed bid, Wade **seconded**, all in favor. Alesha will draft a bid and bring back next week for the Board review. There will not be a minimum bid to start.

Request for Town Venmo Account from Rec. Director- Right now they do not believe this will work for the Town. Alesha will follow up and let Greg know.

Question/Answer on Article 29 for March vote- This was discussed earlier in the meeting.

Printing of Town reports- These will be printed at Staples this year; Alesha will get 100 to start.

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Discussion of ACO- She is not current on her certifications. Wade did say all of the certifications were extended for all ACOs to prove your certifications to the State. Alesha will follow up with her in email before sending her a letter.

Sign Appointment papers for Health Officer- Wade **motioned** to appoint Jared Welsh as the Health Officer, John **seconded, all** in favor.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Gail Libby- They are wrapping up the application for the EPA grant for the Revitalization Committee. All paperwork has been submitted to the CDBG. John will follow up with John Cleveland to make sure he has everything he needs. Gail believes that it is discriminating that only the Board members can work at the Fire Station and not everyone, she was responding to Steve's concern.

Steve McLean- Concern over the Charter Commission changing that the Select Board members will not be able to work at the Fire Department. He has not seen any pictures on the progression on the progress of the Fire Station and believes this should happen for the citizens.

ADJOURN MEETING: Wade **motioned** to adjourn; Brady **seconded; all** were in favor at 8:48 PM
These minutes were approved by the Limerick Board of Select Board on:

End of Broadcast

Respectfully submitted,

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