

## Minutes of the Board of Selectmen Meeting

This meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 6:04PM on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at the Senior Center. Dale Kiley and John Tripp present, Jason Petraitis absent.

### Approval of minutes:

Mr. Tripp moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to approve the minutes from 6/2. So voted.

NBRR Co. minutes: Mr. Tripp moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to approve the minutes from the NBRR Co meeting of 6/2. So voted. Mr. Tripp noted that he spoke to the surveyor who is going to get a sketch and description of the property in question as soon as possible.

### Approval of Warrants:

Mr. Tripp moved and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to approve the following warrants: Payroll #25 for \$341,665.91, #1060 School for \$98,738.17, #1061 General for \$47,321.97 and #1062 Debt for \$21,705.98. So voted.

### Financials:

-Board of Selectmen transfer request from various accounts to various accounts to cover negative balances. Mr. Tripp moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to approve the transfer request for a total of \$29,246.66. So voted.

-Board of Selectmen transfer request \$5,800.00 from Admin Assistant Salary to Accountant Salary. Mr. Tripp moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to approve the transfer request. So voted.

-Highway transfer request from Snow and Ice Vehicular Repair to Snow and Ice Salary in the amount of \$1874.33. Mr. Tripp moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to approve the transfer request. So voted.

-Highway transfer request from Snow and Ice Diesel Gas to Snow and Ice Salary in the amount of \$974.44. Mr. Tripp moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to approve the transfer request. So voted.

-Highway transfer request from Snow and Ice Sand to Snow and Ice Salary in the amount of \$5000.00. Mr. Tripp moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to approve the transfer request. So voted.

-Highway transfer request from Highway Purchase of Service to Snow and Ice Salary in the amount of \$216.11. Mr. Tripp moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to approve the transfer request. So voted.

-Highway transfer request from Highway Street Painting to Snow and Ice Salt in the amount of \$1,179.62. Mr. Tripp moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to approve the transfer request. So voted.

POLE HEARING at 6:15PM – Mr. Kiley read the pole petition for 2 poles, one is a new pole and one is a relocation. There was a brief discussion with Carl Gustafson, an abutter, Mr. Gustafson was present just as a matter of interest, and did not oppose the petition. Mr. Tripp moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to approve the pole petition. So voted.

Lease Contract-The lease contract for Town Offices came in, Ashley requested a change in the address for contacting the Board, once wording is changed the Board will sign.

MVP Extension: The MVP Grant program was extended an additional year because of the COVID 19 pandemic. Mr. Kiley signed the extension contract.

Accept Gift donations: Mr. Tripp moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to accept the donations for the Rail Trail and Town Park as of June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020. So voted.

Police Department Fitness Incentive, the police usually get a stipend for completing a fitness test, however, because of the current pandemic the tests are not being held. The Board wants to pay the stipend this year only, as a onetime exception, and not set a future precedent. Mr. Tripp moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to amend the requirements of passing a fitness test to receive the stipend. So voted.

Public Comment: Mr. Kiley opened the floor for public comment.

Fitzgerald Pucci joined the meeting via ZOOM and stated he has a proposal for the Board. Mr. Kiley explained that there is a two-minute limit per person for the public comment section, but that they're open to hearing what Mr. Pucci has to say. Mr. Pucci would like the Town to dedicate an area of land for a community garden memorial project. He said he has robust support from the community and just needs to brainstorm a location. He'd like to know what is available for public space, and stated he plans on creating a non-profit organization to pay for the upkeep on the garden. Mr. Tripp asked how big a space Mr. Pucci had in mind, he responded about 10 by 15-foot space. Mr. Kiley explained to dedicate public land for use it needs approval at a Town Meeting. There will be a Special Town Meeting in July in regards to needed upgrades to the Sewer in Town, we can add this to that warrant.

Eunice Jones joined the meeting via ZOOM, she was wondering if Camp Atwater would be opening. Mr. Kiley said he's received no communication from the Urban League, this is a state level decision. Ms. Jones asked if the town waived the requirement for the camp to have a caretaker all year long. Mr. Kiley said no, and Don Smith used to be the caretaker. Mr. Kiley will contact them and ask them to identify the caretaker. The Board of Health should be overseeing the COVID health aspect.

Announcements:

Mr. Kiley stated that the Water Department would be flushing hydrants again this week.

Mr. Tripp read the monthly fire reports for April and May. Mr. Tripp moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to accept the Fire Reports from April and May. So voted.

Mr. Kiley asked anyone who was newly elected, or reelected for a new term, to see the Town Clerk and be sworn in before you start any of your duties.

Mr. Kiley also announced that the Board of Selectmen is working on an activity for 4<sup>th</sup> of July on the Town Common.

There being no further business, at 6:42PM Mr. Tripp moved, and Mr. Kiley seconded, a motion to adjourn. So voted.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ashley Barre