

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

January 26, 2021

ATTENDANCE: Selectman Brian Robischeau, Selectman Rick Surette, Selectman Rich Zacher, Laurie Champy, Marilou MacLean, Ed Comeau, Frank Frazier, Steve Patriquin, Ed Gauthier, Mark Stengel, Peter Donnelly, Rose Zacher (remote), Stephen Berry (remote)

This Public Hearing was called to order at 6PM as noticed and scheduled. There was a review of the Proposed 2021 Budget and Warrant Articles. Time was provided for public input.

Citizen's Petition Warrant Article #15 pertaining to solar exemption was read and discussed.

MOTION: Selectman Zacher motioned to NOT recommend this article. Selectman Surette seconded, all in favor, motion carries.

Citizen's Petition Warrant Article # 16 pertaining to the Town accepting ownership of and maintaining Curries's Way & Drew Farm Road was read and discussed. The Selectmen stated the Town cannot take the road by eminent domain; the road is currently owned by someone other than the petitioners. Mr. Ed Gauthier was present for the discussion and advised it is the intent of the owner/developer to honor the language in the covenants and turn the road over to the Town. The Selectmen advised it would be best to provide a deed to the Town.

MOTION: Selectman Surette motioned that at this time they do NOT recommend this article. Selectman Robischeau seconded, all in favor, motion carries.

They advise Mr. Gauthier to produce written materials at Town Meeting, and if satisfied, they will change their motion and support accepting the roads.

MOTION: Selectman Zacher motioned to approve the Warrant Articles for submission at Town Meeting as well as the budget as reviewed tonight. Selectman Robischeau seconded, all in favor, motion carries.

Public Hearing adjourned 6:53pm.

## Board of Selectmen Meeting called to order at 6:57pm

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: Selectman Surette motioned to accept the January 12, 2021 minutes as written. Selectman Robischeau seconded, all in favor, motion carries.

• **Public Comments:** Steve Patriquin suggested it would be helpful to have email contact information on the website for Boards/Committees.

Peter Donnelly expressed his concern about the use of salt on the roads and the potential impact to his well water. He will be monitoring/testing it twice a year.

When questioned by the BOS why the road was salted, the Road Agent reported he salted in advance of the expected storm.

Frank Frazier asked about an additional bulletin board for general use. The existing boards on the exterior of the building are for Municipal Use Only. There was a general use interior bulletin board that was removed when the interior of the building was painted. Laurie will order a new board and request Brad to install it.

• **Old Business:** Selectman Surette reported he will contact the contractor to provide a project review and understanding of the bridge work expected to be performed on Moose Mountain Road.

A letter was written from the Town to the property owner of a barn on Route 109 that is in disrepair. The Town has not received any communication from them indicating they intend to proceed with removal.

MOTION: Selectman Zacher authorizes the attorney to start the condemnation process. Selectman Robischeau seconded, all in favor, motion carries.

• **New Business:** Selectman Zacher stated the Governor provided an option to change the dates of Town Election and Town Meeting. The Selectmen agree to keep the dates as established.

Town voting will take place on Tuesday, March 9, from 1-6pm, in the Town House Building, and Town Meeting will take place on Saturday, March 20, at 2pm, in the Paul School Gymnasium in Wakefield.

• Mail/Bills: Marilou MacLean read the bills on to the record.

MOTION: Selectman Robischeau motioned to approve the bills as read by Marilou. Selectman Surette seconded, all in favor, motion carries.

• **Zoning Board of Adjustment:** The Board received a valid application for two special exceptions, one for a non-conforming Lot and one for a non-conforming structure, for Map 28 Lot 3. There is a Hearing scheduled for Thursday, February 18, at 6PM.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16pm.

The next regular	Selectmen <sup>7</sup>	's meeting	is scheduled	l for Fel	oruary 9,	2021, a	at 6:30pm,	in the	Town	Office
Building.										

Respectfully submitted,

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