

Select Board Meeting Minutes-February 24, 2021

Present:

Selectwoman: Jennifer L. Locke

Selectman: Harry McGovern

Selectwoman: Denise Cartwright

Administrative Assistant: Robyn Gilmartin (via zoom)

Gayle Clement (Town Clerk)

John Wright

Meeting began at 7:15pm. Roll call was taken.

Checks were signed.

The tax committal assignment letter from Plodzik and Sanderson was signed. Robyn will forward it Plodzik and Sanderson.

Town report has been submitted to the printers. Robyn will notify the Board when these are done so they can be distributed.

Ad for voting on March 9th has been submitted to the Caledonian newspaper paper.

The Board reviewed submission by potential assessors, this will be tabled until next week.

Denise Cartwright will attend meeting remotely next week.

Jennifer met with Bethany Carignane Tax Collector to discuss some old discrepancies that need to be cleaned up. Bethany printed a report listing unpaid receivables by warrant starting with 2008. Most on this list have arrangements in place, the rest would be delinquent with abatements possible.

A motion was made by Denise Cartwright to abate any past dues amounts under \$100 from 2011-2019, totaling roughly \$1496. Also, to abate anything under \$20 from 2020, roughly \$599. Approved by unanimous vote.

Next week Bethany will send out delinquency notices on all past due taxes and liens.

Jennifer will draft a notice for the Ledger and website introducing Bethany as well as the anticipated challenges clearing up some past issues.

Deposit Policy updates were discussed. Changes will include the inhouse thresh hold amount from \$500 to \$1500 and the ability for the Treasurer to delegate in writing the ability for departments to make bank deposits. The Board will ask Town Treasurer Heidi Sagar to attend next week's meeting.

A second mailing concerning business portion of Town Meeting will go out March 15th.

Town Report has been submitted to the printer.

The Board reviewed a letter from the State concerning the future room and meals tax. Jennifer will draft a response letter and email it to all for approval.

A formal letter of complaint from Errol Peters was read and reviewed. Jennifer suggested a lawyer be used to respond and look into the allegations. Allegations included building permit fairness in enforcing, Current Use transfer taxes, and interference with ZBA over a site plan review. The Board reviewed RSA and regulations concerning wood processing mills addressing that particular example.

The Board tabled discussion on assessors until next week.

Denise Cartwright made a motion that the Board meetings begin at 6pm rather than 7pm on Wednesdays. This was unanimously approved by the Board. This change will be posted on web site, Ledger and at Town Hall.

The Board entered a closed session beginning at 9:00.

The Board returned from closed session at 9:45pm

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m. The foregoing minutes were approved on March 3, 2021, by the following members of the Select Board:



Jennifer I. Locke



Harry McGovern

Denise Cartwright.