



BARRINGTON, NH SELECT BOARD MINUTES

MONDAY, July 27th, 2020

The Select Board meeting for Monday, July 27th, 2020 began at 6:33 p.m. The meeting was held by remote participation via a Microsoft Teams Meeting due to the COVID-19 pandemic, in accordance with [Emergency Order #12](#), pursuant to [Executive Order 2020-04](#). In attendance were Chairperson Hardekopf, Selectperson Knapp, Selectperson Bailey, Selectperson Saccoccia, Selectperson Ayer, Town Administrator MacIver, and Municipal Office Administrator Caudle.

6:34pm. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Hardekopf.

RSA 91-A EMERGENCY PROVISIONS/SELECT BOARD CHAIR EMERGENCY DETERMINATION

6:34pm. Chairperson Hardekopf read the emergency provisions of the State of Emergency and explained how this meeting is accessible as well as how to access future meetings.

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

6:36pm. Chairperson Hardekopf asked all to silence their cell phones and led the pledge of allegiance. Select Board Attendance was taken via Roll Call: Ayer – Present, Bailey – Present, Knapp – Present, Saccoccia – Present, Hardekopf – Present. Each Select Board member shared their location and stated that at present, they were alone in their respective locations.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

6:37pm. Chairperson Hardekopf requested all silence their cell phones and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no public hearings.

APPOINTMENTS

The Board agreed by consensus to two agenda changes.

Recreation Addition Update

6:38pm. Recreation Director Jessica Tennis shared the [Recreation Addition Plans](#) and requested approval by the Select Board. The plans have received approval by the Recreation Commission, are scheduled for Planning Board review at the August 4th meeting, and the Select Board has already approved expenditure of funds for the addition.

Motion to approve the plans for the Recreation Addition as presented by Chairperson Hardekopf, seconded by Selectperson Saccoccia. Roll Call Vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp – Aye, Saccoccia- Aye, Hardekopf – Aye. ***The motion passed.***

Recreation Gym Fire Wall

6:42pm. Recreation Commission has agreed to pay for the Fire Wall out of the Recreation Revolving Fund for a total of \$45,000. A corrective action plan has also been proposed by the Fire Chief and Fire Marshall's Office which must be satisfied by August 31st, 2021.

Motion to allow Recreation Commission to expend \$45,000 for the installation of the fire wall by Chairperson Hardekopf, seconded by Selectperson Knapp. Roll Call Vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp – Aye, Saccoccia- Aye, Hardekopf – Aye. ***The motion passed.***

Motion to accept the fire code action plan with a completion date of August 31st, 2021 by Chairperson Hardekopf, seconded by Selectperson Knapp. Roll Call Vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp – Aye, Saccoccia- Aye, Hardekopf – Aye. ***The motion passed.***

Recreation Revolving Fund Balance

6:46pm. After all expected expenditures, the Recreation Revolving Fund balance is anticipated to be approximately \$58,000 by December.

Recreation Expenditures and Budget

6:47pm. The Recreation Commission plans to utilize the Recreation Revolving fund to assume responsibility for approximately \$7,500 of expenditures traditionally paid for out of the Operating Budget.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

6:49pm. Motion to approve the minutes for the July 13th, 2020 Select Board meeting by Selectperson Saccoccia, seconded by Chairperson Hardekopf. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp -Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

PUBLIC COMMENT

6:49pm. *Public comments are limited to three minutes per person, and a total of 15 minutes. There were no public comments. Public comment closed at 6:50pm.*

STAFF REPORTS

Request for Signatures

6:50pm. Municipal Office Administrator Caudle requested signatures for the following:

- AP Register 2020-60
- Payroll Manifest 59a
- Minutes for the July 13th, 2020 meeting
- One deed with no covenants for a property being returned to the previous owner following all taxes and fees having been paid

OLD BUSINESS**Select Board Goals and Budget Mid-Year Analysis**

6:52pm. Town Administrator MacIver prepared an analysis and [mid-year update](#) on the 2020 [Select Board Goals](#) and [Budget](#).

Karen Gould – Conservation Update

7:10pm. The Select Board voted to support the pursuit of two grants with the requirement that the conserved property be open to the public. Neighboring residents provided additional information about the property, including confirmation that there is potential access to the property from public roads as well as an existing parking area.

2020 Paving Projects Update and Options

7:14pm. Road Agent Marc Moreau provided an update regarding the status of 2020 paving projects, anticipated remaining funds, and the plan to obtain core samples on Province Road. A further update will be provided to the Select Board after samples are analyzed, and options for additional paving projects are further reviewed.

Stonehouse Pond Trash

7:30pm. After receiving numerous complaints about the trash accumulating at Stonehouse Pond, NH Fish and Game, Southeast Land Trust (SELT) and the Town of Barrington have begun to discuss possible solutions.

2020 Tax Deeding

7:34pm. The deed date for 2020 is scheduled for August 27th, 2020. A preliminary list of properties eligible for tax-deeding was presented to the Select Board. The Select Board will be asked to consider deed waivers at the August 10th, 2020 meeting.

Compliance Calendar

7:41pm. Creation of a calendar showing a typical annual cycle in Barrington is being developed to allow for additional planning.

Hard Rock Development Project Update

7:45pm. The hydrogeologist who performed the study for the development determined the development would not adversely affect the wetlands on the property. The next steps for permitting will be discussed at an upcoming meeting with New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services.

Town of Barrington Services – COVID-19

7:48 pm. There have been multiple process improvements throughout the Town due to the COVID-19 pandemic as Town employees work to continue providing services to residents. Information regarding specific departments can be found on the [Barrington COVID-19 website](#).

NEW BUSINESS**Winter Contractor Rate Review**

7:48pm. Road Agent Marc Moreau proposed a \$10/hour increase in the current rate of \$85/hour for six-wheeled trucks with equipment, to be more in line with area municipalities. The Select Board requested total cost for the 2019-2020 expenditures and the expected budget increase, as well as which area towns have which rate in order to compare further details. A rough estimate of cost would be an increase of \$10,000; however due to other quality adjustments in the previous season, the budget was underutilized, and even with this additional rate the budget will be reduced in the upcoming budget. This will be decided at the August 24th, 2020 meeting.

Eversource Right of Way Bridge

8:00pm. The Conservation Commission became aware recently of a footbridge having been constructed to access the Tamposi property from private property under the Eversource transmission line right of way. The Conservation Commission has recommended no action be taken. The Select Board agreed by consensus.

Police Disposal Policy Waiver

8:01pm. Motion to waive the disposal policy and allow the proceeds from the sale to be utilized as grant funds for immediate use by the Police Department by Selectperson Bailey, seconded by Selectperson Knapp. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp -Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

Reverse Involuntary Lot Merger

8:06pm. Motion to authorize reversal of the involuntary lot merger on Map 124, Lot 5 by Selectperson Knapp, seconded by Selectperson Bailey. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp -Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

SELECT PERSONS REPORTS

8:07pm.

Selectperson Ayer all information to report has been discussed in this meeting.

Selectperson Bailey attended the Library Trustees meeting on the 21st, where they decided not to present a warrant article requesting a new library in the 2021 Town Meeting, and discussed accessibility of the library. Selectperson Bailey was also sworn in today as a member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Selectperson Knapp had no Planning Board or other committee meetings to report on.

Selectperson Saccoccia shared Recreation is working diligently.

Chairperson Hardekopf attended the School Board meeting, where they discussed transportation issues, ways to approach schooling, and challenges with the coronavirus pandemic ongoing. There will be two days of public polling at the Transfer Station.

PUBLIC COMMENT

8:11pm.

Fire Chief Rick Walker spoke to the need for a future paving project at the Public Safety building.

Selectperson Saccoccia expressed his condolences to employee Matt Morrissey and family for the passing of his father.

Selectperson Ayer shared that an estimate was done on the Public Safety building previously.

There were no additional public comments. Public comment closed at 8:14pm.

NONPUBLIC

8:14pm. Motion to enter nonpublic for reasons of personnel, reputation, and legal by Chairperson Hardekopf, seconded by Selectperson Ayer. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp – Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

9:12pm. The meeting resumed with Chairperson Hardekopf, Selectperson Knapp, Selectperson Bailey, Selectperson Saccoccia, Selectperson Ayer, Town Administrator MacIver, and Municipal Office Administrator Caudle in attendance remotely.

Motion to adjourn nonpublic session and seal portions of the minutes not reported by Town Administrator MacIver by Selectperson Ayer, seconded by Selectperson Bailey. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp – Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

In nonpublic session, the Select Board agreed to enter a 24-month lease extension with the current landlords, the entire lease and extension is available on the Town's website.

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ADJOURNMENT

9:15pm. Motion to adjourn by Chairperson Hardekopf, seconded by Selectperson Bailey. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

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August 10th, 2020

Date Minutes Were Approved