



BARRINGTON, NH SELECT BOARD MINUTES

MONDAY, September 28th, 2020

The Select Board meeting for Monday, September 28th, 2020 began at 6:02 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, Vice-Chair Knapp, Selectperson Saccoccia, Selectperson Ayer, Town Administrator MacIver, and Municipal Office Administrator Caudle.

Due to a global Microsoft outage, the beginning of this meeting was not recorded.

6:02pm. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Hardekopf.

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

6:02pm. 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

6:05pm. Select Board Attendance was taken via Roll Call: Ayer – Present, Knapp – Present, Saccoccia – Present, Hardekopf – Present. Each Select Board member shared their location and stated that at present, they were alone, and no one would be influencing their votes.

NONPUBLIC

6:06pm. Motion to enter nonpublic session for reasons of personnel, legal, and reputation by Selectperson Ayer, seconded by Selectperson Saccoccia. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Present, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

6:31pm. The meeting reconvened in public session at 6:31pm. There was no information to share publicly, and a second nonpublic session was held at the end of the meeting. During the nonpublic session, Selectperson Bailey joined the meeting.

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

6:31pm. Chairperson Hardekopf re-read the emergency provisions of the State of Emergency.

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

6:34pm. Select Board Attendance was taken via Roll Call: Ayer – Present, Knapp – Present, Saccoccia – Present, Hardekopf – Present. Each Select Board member shared their location and stated that at present, they were alone, and no one would be influencing their votes.

Steve Saunders, member of the Advisory Budget Committee (ABC) joined by phone.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Acceptance of CARES Act Assistance – Recreation Grant

6:35pm. Chairperson Hardekopf opened the public hearing. Public hearing closed at 6:40pm.

Motion to authorize the acceptance and expenditure of up to \$27,775 subject to the terms of the grant agreement and to authorize the Town Administrator to execute all accompanying documents by Selectperson Bailey, seconded by Selectperson Knapp. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp – Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

APPOINTMENTS

Budget Presentation – Initial/Executive/Admin./Personnel/Govt. Building/Misc.

6:39pm. Town Administrator MacIver presented the [2021 Budget Proposal](#). In addition to each member of the Select Board and ABC having a printed binder that will be periodically updated, all Budget Binder contents are available on the Town's website at www.barrington.nh.gov/2021budget.

Did you know:

The original founders of Barrington were from Portsmouth, where they continued meeting for town business for years. In 1731 they decided to build a meetinghouse in Barrington, which was completed 11 years later at a cost of £320. A further 10 years after that, the townspeople decided to move the meetinghouse, disassembling it and moving it to its new location, where it remained in use for approximately 100 years.

PUBLIC COMMENT

7:20pm. *Public comments are limited to three minutes per person, and a total of 15 minutes. There were no public comments. Public comment closed at 7:21pm.*

REVIEW OF MINUTES – August 24th, 2020

7:21pm. Motion to approve the minutes for the [September 14th, 2020 Select Board](#) meeting by Selectperson Bailey seconded by Vice-Chair Knapp. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

STAFF REPORT

[Coe-Brown Student Senior Project Request](#)

7:22pm. Keegan Paradis, a senior student at Coe-Brown Northwood Academy, would like to collect, sanitize, and distribute used sports equipment for his senior project, using the Transfer Station as a collection and distribution point. The Select Board requested additional clarification regarding sanitation at a later meeting, deferring a vote on distribution until further information is received.

Motion to approve flyer distribution on October 3rd and October 10th and equipment collection on October 17th and 24th, 2020 at the transfer station by Selectperson Bailey, seconded by Selectperson Saccoccia. Roll call vote: Ayer – Present, Bailey – Aye, Knapp – Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

Water Use Complaints

7:39pm. The Department of Environmental Services (DES) contacted the Town regarding a complaint about water use. The Select Board is authorized by RSA 41:11-d to restrict residential lawn watering in declared drought conditions.

The Board recognized the importance of water conservation during drought conditions. The Board declined to issue restrictions.

Request for Signatures

7:45pm. Municipal Office Administrator Caudle requested signatures for the following:

- Payroll Manifests for periods ending 9/20/2020 and 9/27/2020.

OLD BUSINESS**New Hampshire Municipal Association (NHMA) Legislative Policy Conference**

7:46pm. The Select Board agreed by consensus to support all [NHMA Legislative Policy Recommendations](#) as presented.

Reverse Involuntary Lot Merger – Map 102 Lot 62

7:48pm. The Select Board previously authorized the sale of this lot to one abutter, to be divided between two property owners. Upon staff review, the property was found to have been involuntarily merged from three lots and believes it to be reversible per RSA 674:33-aa, II.

Motion to reverse the involuntary lot merger of Map 102, Lot 62 by Chairperson Hardekopf, seconded by Selectperson Ayer. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye.
The motion passed.

Town Land Sale Auctioneer Selection

7:52pm. Motion to select [NH Tax Deed and Property Auctions](#) as the auctioneer for the 2020 land sale by Selectperson Saccoccia, seconded by Selectperson Bailey. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Recused. ***The motion passed.***

Town of Barrington Services – COVID-19

7:58pm. The Recreation Department will hold a Trunk or Treat at the middle school in addition to the community holding Trick or Treat. COVID-19 precautions will be in effect.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board agreed by consensus to rearrange the order of the agenda.

Technical Advisory Committee Recommendations and Priorities

8:01pm. The Strafford Regional Planning Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) provides the Strafford Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMPA) with technical assistance and recommendations concerning transportation issues. After [scoring](#), the [suggested project](#) for Barrington to include sidewalks and safety improvements near the intersection of Routes 125 and 9 which is included in the Town's Master Plan, was ranked second in priority in the area.

The Select Board agreed by consensus to provide a letter in support of the project.

Town Fee Schedule Updates

8:08pm. Town Departments reviewed fees and prepared suggested updates to the Town's [Fee Schedule](#).

Motion to approve the proposed update to Town fees as proposed by Selectperson Bailey, seconded by Selectperson Ayer. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp – Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

Highway Department Office Addition

8:20pm. The Select Board discussed possible solutions for the Highway Department office and common area spaces including the installation of a detached office trailer. The Select Board requested Town Administrator MacIver research trailer and other costs for review next week.

SAU 74 Custodial Services

8:53pm. Motion to enter an annual custodial services contract with SAU 74 at a cost of \$17,000 for custodial services at the Public Safety Building by Vice-Chair Knapp, seconded by Selectperson Saccoccia. Roll call vote: Ayer – Present, Bailey – Aye, Knapp – Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

SELECTPERSONS REPORTS

8:55pm.

Selectperson Ayer – Town Lands has not met, has been speaking with abutters regarding the Land Sale. He has not attended a School Board meeting.

Selectperson Bailey – No additional information to report, meetings will begin shortly. Selectperson Bailey believes TA MacIver should serve as an intermediary for questions between the ABC and department heads.

Vice-Chair Knapp – There was no Planning Board meeting.

Selectperson Saccoccia – Recreation Department continues to work with Careno Construction on the addition.

Chairperson Hardekopf – The ABC has requested to add an additional member, she has reached out to a resident with a finance degree. If that individual does not become a member, Chairperson Hardekopf may become a voting member of the ABC. The ABC would like to know if the Select Board is in favor of step increases. She was unable to attend the Transfer Station and Recycling Center Committee meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

9:00pm. Fire Chief Walker shared on behalf of the Tricentennial Committee that the ornament should be available soon, and a calendar is in the works.

Daniel Ayer, resident, shared that in memory of family and friends he will donate to Trunk or Treat.

There were no additional public comments. Public comment closed at 9:02pm.

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NONPUBLIC SESSION

9:03pm. Motion to enter nonpublic session for reasons of personnel, legal, and reputation by Selectperson Saccoccia, seconded by Vice-Chair Knapp. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

9:55pm. Motion to seal minutes from nonpublic session indefinitely to avoid adversely affecting the reputations of those discussed by Chairperson Hardekopf, seconded by Vice-Chair Knapp. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

The Select Board had no decisions or information to share following Nonpublic Session.

ADJOURNMENT

9:57pm. Motion to adjourn by Selectperson Bailey, seconded by Selectperson Saccoccia. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp – Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

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Chairperson T. Hardekopf


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10/19/2020

Date Minutes Were Approved