



## **BARRINGTON, NH SELECT BOARD MINUTES**

MONDAY, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020

The Select Board meeting for Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 began at 6:30 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 Bailey, Selectperson Saccoccia, Town Administrator (TA) MacIver, Municipal Office Administrator (MOA) Caudle, as well as Advisory Budget Committee (ABC) Chair Steve Saunders, member Dannen Mannschreck, and Town Treasurer Peter Royce.

**6:30pm.** The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Hardekopf.

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

**6:30pm.** 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**

**6:33pm** Select Board attendance was taken via Roll Call: 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 rooms with no one influencing their votes. Selectperson Ayer was not present at the time of attendance.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**6:35pm.** Chairperson Hardekopf led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Selectperson Ayer joined the meeting and stated that at present he is alone in his location.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Each of the below properties are being sold to abutters. At their October 15<sup>th</sup> and October 20<sup>th</sup> meetings, the [Conservation Commission](#) and [Planning Board](#), respectively, each voted to support the land sales pursuant to RSA 41:14-a. The final vote for the sale of these properties will be held at the November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Select Board meeting.

**Sale of Map 102-0062 Per RSA-41:14-a**

A [Public Notice](#) was posted previously related to this property.

**6:35pm.** Public hearing opened. There were no comments from the Select Board or public.

**6:37pm.** Public hearing closed.

**Sale of Map 112-0049 Per RSA-41:14-a**

A [Public Notice](#) was posted previously related to this property.

**6:37pm.** Public hearing opened. There were no comments from the Select Board or public.

**6:38pm.** Public hearing closed.

**Sale of Map 126-0018 Per RSA-41:14-a**

A [Public Notice](#) was posted previously related to this property.

**6:38pm.** Public hearing opened. There were no comments from the Select Board or public.

**6:39pm.** Public hearing closed.

**Sale of Map 273-0034 Per RSA-41:14-a**

A [Public Notice](#) was posted previously related to this property.

**6:39pm.** Public hearing opened. There were no comments from the Select Board or public.

**6:39pm.** Public hearing closed.

**APPOINTMENTS****Jennifer Stuart – Conservation Commission Alternate Member**

**6:40pm.** Motion to appoint Jennifer Stuart as an alternate member of the Conservation Commission, with a term to expire March of 2022 by Selectperson Bailey, seconded by Selectperson Saccoccia. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

**Raffle Permit Request – Barrington Republican Town Committee**

**6:41pm.** Motion to approve the Raffle Permit request for Barrington Republican Town Committee to expire November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 by Vice-Chair Knapp, seconded by Selectperson Saccoccia. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

**Budget Presentation - Library**

**6:41pm.** Melissa Huette, Library Director, shared that 225 years ago today the Barrington Social Library was formed (November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1795). The first librarian was Rev. Benjamin A. Balch, who was also the clerk and served for 15 years. The first members paid 18 shillings, followed by annual dues of two shillings, and for 26 years there was no physical location until it was established in the home of Jeremiah Kingman. In 1954, the Library was temporarily housed in a closet under the stairs in the Grade School.

Details regarding significant budget changes were reviewed, including the impacts that COVID-19 have had on various budget lines, and increases in costs for annual/monthly dues and fees. All budget documents are available for review by visiting [Library-Section 18](#) on the [2021 Budget](#)

[page](#). The Library is currently open and practicing COVID-19 precautions, and the Library Trustees have voted to waive all fees and fines for the duration of the declared pandemic.

Lindsey Maziarz, Chair of the Library Trustees, presented information about the proposed Library Warrant Article and an update on the Library project, including funding sources and pledges vs. funds received from donations. The ABC requested more details regarding what impacts a change in square footage would create, and Melissa spoke to the reasons for the warrant article request.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**7:26pm.** *Public comments are limited to three minutes per person, and a total of 15 minutes.*

Leigh Elliott, Vice-Chair of Library Trustees – spoke to the importance of looking out for the people who work in the building and raised specific safety concerns.

Lindsey Maziarz, Chair of Library Trustees – shared that in two years a small group of concerned residents joined up and raised more than \$250,000, and her belief that moving that momentum forward is important.

Vice-Chair Knapp – requested Melissa and Conner meet and discuss safety issues raised in Public Comment.

Selectperson Bailey – Thanked Vice-Chair Knapp for comments.

*There were no additional public comments. Public comment was closed at 7:29pm.*

### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

**7:30pm.** Motion to approve minutes for [October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020](#) 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 REPORTS**

#### **November Anniversaries**

**7:30pm.** Thank you for your hard work and dedication to the Town of Barrington!

Jonathan Janelle	Firefighter	22 Years
Erin Paradis	Highway & Transfer Station Support Assistant	12 Years
Richard Smith	Firefighter	8 Years
David Balian	Welfare Caseworker	8 Years
Terrence Glazier	Transfer Station Attendant	1 Year

**Town Employee Veterans****7:31pm.** Thank you for your service!Erik Baker  
Sam Surawski  
Donald Millette  
Richard Smith  
Cole PothTyler Currier  
Michael Bayer  
Jake Roger  
Chris Wareing  
Robert BrownScott Young  
Sean Guile  
Tyler Slankard  
Lilah Cherum**Request for Signatures****7:32pm.** MOA Caudle requested signatures for the following:

- Two administrative abatements for taxes, one due to the exemption deadline having been extended, and the other for a property deeded to the Town in March.
- Meeting Minutes approved this meeting.
- Conservation appointment approved this meeting.
- Raffle permit approved this meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS****Barrington, NH – Town Government Facebook Page****7:33pm.** The [Town's Official Facebook page](#) is live! Select Board members are encouraged to submit suggestions for content to TA MacIver and/or MOA Caudle, as well as encourage others to utilize the page for information.**NEW BUSINESS****Accept Trail Book Sale Donations into Conservation Fund****7:35pm.** A resident of Barrington paid for the initial 400 books, with the intent to be repaid for the initial printing, and additional proceeds be donated to the Conservation Commission.

Motion to accept Trail Guide sale revenue profit into the Conservation Fund with requirements that they be accounted for in Conservation Commission meeting minutes, all future costs of publishing are spent from the Conservation Fund, and that this approval return to the Select Board for approval prior to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025 by Selectperson Ayer seconded by Vice-Chair Knapp. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye.

***The motion passed.*****SELECTPERSONS REPORTS****7:49pm.*****Selectperson Ayer – There has not been a Town Lands Committee meeting since the prior report out, Conservation meets this week, and he has not attended a School Board meeting at this time.******Selectperson Bailey – Attended the Library Trustee meeting on October 27<sup>th</sup> and there will be a Ceremony by the American Legion for veterans at the Pine Grove Cemetery on 11/11 at 11am.******Vice-Chair Knapp – Planning Board meets tomorrow, will not be able to attend due to shift at voting. TA MacIver provided answers regarding dark fiber in Town. Town Planner Marcia Gasses***

*reminded Vice-Chair Knapp that he had agreed to draft a letter to Select Board regarding support of sidewalks at the intersection of Routes 9 and 125.*

**Selectperson Saccoccia** – *No information to report out.*

**Chairperson Hardekopf** – *Unable to attend the transfer station meeting, they're reviewing bulky waste fees and disposal of specific batteries. ABC met and discussed the Library budget and warrant article.*

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**7:54pm.**

James Saccoccia – will be donating amount earned for working at polls to the Barrington Food Pantry.

Melissa Huetten – November 17<sup>th</sup>, there will be some tree removal involving a crane on Library property and access will be limited.

*There were no further public comments. Public comment closed at 7:56pm.*

#### **NONPUBLIC SESSION**

**7:56pm.** Motion to enter non-public session for reasons of land, reputation, and legal 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 AND ADJOURNMENT****9:01pm.** The Select Board returned to the meeting from nonpublic session.

Motion to seal nonpublic minutes indefinitely to avoid adversely affecting the reputation of those discussed by Selectperson Ayer, seconded by Vice-Chair Knapp. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***


**9:02pm.** Motion to adjourn the 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.***

*Links to all reviewed documents can be found in the November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 [Town Administrator's Report](#).*

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November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
Date Minutes Were Approved