



BARRINGTON, NH SELECT BOARD MINUTES

MONDAY, November 9th, 2020

The Select Board meeting for Monday, November 9th, 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.

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

6:32pm 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 rooms with no one influencing their votes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

6:34pm. Chairperson Hardekopf led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

No public hearings were scheduled.

APPOINTMENTS

Budget Presentation – Police

6:34pm. Police Chief George Joy shared the story of Barrington's lost silver treasure. Following "The Year Without a Summer" of 1816, silver coins that had been accumulated by the Hayes family during the famine in trade for crops were lost in the woods near the family's home. Though the family searched, the coins were not recovered, and there are no reports of them having been recovered since.

During the budget presentation, various lines were reviewed, including wage lines, court fees, and some Covid-19 impacts. [Responses to questions posed by the ABC](#) were provided. Chief Joy shared the Department has been planning ahead for some purchases due to likely availability issues for some items, including vehicles and ammunition. Questions and concerns were raised about vehicle maintenance, idle time, details and detail fees, detail fees and retirements, and donations to the Police union. Clarification and confirmation was given that the Select Board has not moved to defund the Police Department.

PUBLIC COMMENT

7:14pm. *Public comments are limited to three minutes per person, and a total of 15 minutes.*

There were no public comments. Public comment was closed at 7:15pm.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

7:15pm. Motion to approve minutes for [November 2nd, 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.***

**Initially the minutes approved were for the October 26th meeting due to a typographical error, this was later corrected.*

STAFF REPORTS

7:16pm. TA MacIver requested an addition to old business regarding the Asset Management Grant, which was approved and will be discussed later in the meeting.

Request for Signatures

7:16pm. MOA Caudle requested signatures for the following:

- Two abatement requests – one due to a mailing issue, the other due to a bank error.
- Meeting Minutes approved this meeting.
- Auctioneer Agreement for the 2020 Town Land Sale.

OLD BUSINESS

Asset Management Grant Opportunity

7:18pm. Selectperson Knapp requested confirmation the Town will have no budget impact from this grant. TA MacIver confirmed there will be no financial liability until the grant is approved.

Motion to allow the Select Board Chair or Town Administrator to act as signatory on Asset Management Grant paperwork with the condition that there be no financial liability to the Town by Selectperson Bailey, seconded by Selectperson Ayer. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

Exemption and Credit Warrant Articles

7:21pm. Motion to support a warrant article to increase the exemption for service-related total disability from \$2,550 to \$3,050 by Chairperson Hardekopf, seconded by Selectperson Bailey.

Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

Selectperson George Bailey confirmed he receives this exemption.

Swains Lake Dam Drawdown Plan Draft Review and Comment

7:25pm. A [draft of the drawdown plan](#) was presented. No action is required.

Sports Equipment Drive Distribution

7:31pm. The Select Board previously authorized Barrington Student Keegan Paradis to collect used sports equipment at the Transfer Station with the intent to sanitize and distribute the equipment at a later date.

Motion to allow the use of the Public Safety parking area from 8am-12pm on Saturday November 14th and 21st, for [Covid-safe distribution](#) of used and sanitized sports equipment by Selectperson Saccoccia, seconded by Selectperson Bailey. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

Town Facebook Page

7:34pm. Thanks to Chairperson Hardekopf for her assistance in encouraging resident engagement with the Facebook page. Interest and engagement in the page has significantly grown, and the Select Board and residents are asked to reach out with feedback and suggestions for the page.

NEW BUSINESS

Transfer Station Review Committee Recommendations

7:35pm. [User fees](#) and [recommendations](#) were presented, including change of hours from 1pm-5pm on Tuesdays and 8am to 5pm on Saturday to 12pm to 6pm on Tuesday and 8am to 3pm on Saturday.

Motion to approve the Transfer Station user fees as presented and to request the Transfer Station/Recycling Center Committee consider the hours change to 1pm-6pm on Tuesdays, 8am-4pm on Saturday by Vice-Chair Knapp, second by Selectperson Bailey. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

The Select Board requested a count on the next two Saturdays from 3pm-4pm. The next committee meeting is November 23rd.

2021 Cruiser Pre-Order

7:44pm. Motion to authorize the pre-order of a 2021 Ford Explorer using \$10,000 from the Vehicle Maintenance budget line with the intent to replace unit 7 by Vice-Chair Knapp, seconded by Selectperson Bailey. Roll call vote: Ayer – No, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

2021 Audit Request for Proposals (RFP)

7:50pm. Necessary corrections: On the cover page, December 30th is a Wednesday, and on page two the audit period should be January 1st, 2020 to December 31st, 2020.

Motion to authorize the advertisement of the RFP with corrections as stated by Selectperson Saccoccia, seconded by Selectperson Ayer. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

NH Division of Forest and Land Grant Acceptance

7:55pm. This grant program requires a 50% match. The matching funds are properly budgeted for in the Fire Department budget.

Motion to accept the \$2,600 NH Forest and Lands grant to purchase long-sleeve fire retardant shirts by Selectperson Bailey seconded by Vice-Chair Knapp. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

Scouting for Food Drive

7:56pm. Motion to authorize the local Boy Scouts to promote and collect for the Scouting for Food program at the Transfer station on Saturday, November 7th (retroactively) and Saturday, November 14th from 9am to noon by Selectperson Saccoccia, seconded by Selectperson Ayer. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

SELECTPERSONS REPORTS

7:58pm.

Selectperson Ayer – Attended Conservation Commission meeting, discussed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Shared some information with TA MacIver regarding the Trails Book. Ceremony for Tiny Library was on Sunday.

Selectperson Bailey – Library Trustees held a meeting, nothing to report out of the ordinary.

Vice-Chair Knapp – Planning Board had a meeting Tuesday, awaiting review of minutes to report. Information was shared with the Technology Committee regarding dark fiber pricing and election information. The Planning Board will request support of Select Board for sidewalks at the intersection of route 9 and 125.

Selectperson Saccoccia – Attended Recreation Commission meeting, working on MOU.

Chairperson Hardekopf – Was unable to attend the ABC or Transfer Station meetings.

The Board agreed by consensus to request additional information and an agenda item at a later meeting to discuss the Planning Board's request for support.

PUBLIC COMMENT

8:05pm. *There were no public comments. Public comment closed at 8:06pm.*

ADJOURNMENT

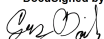
8:06pm. Motion to adjourn the Select Board meeting by Selectperson Bailey, seconded by Vice-Chair Knapp. Roll call vote: Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Knapp- Aye, Saccoccia – Aye, Hardekopf - Aye. ***The motion passed.***

Links to all reviewed documents can be found in the November 9th, 2020 [Town Administrator's Report](#).

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Selectperson J. Saccoccia

November 16th, 2020

Date Minutes Were Approved