



BARRINGTON, NH SELECT BOARD MINUTES

MONDAY, February 24th, 2020

The Select Board meeting for Monday, February 24th, 2020 began at 6:30 p.m. at the Early Childhood Learning Center. Present at the table were Chairperson Knapp, Selectperson Hardekopf, Selectperson Bailey, Selectperson Ayer, Town Administrator MacIver, and Municipal Office Administrator Caudle.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Knapp, who then led the pledge of allegiance and asked all present to silence their cell phones.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

KENO – Warrant Article 18

Pursuant to [NH RSA 284:51](#), a public hearing on the question of allowing KENO to be played within Barrington was held. The Select Board reaffirmed it is up to the residents of Barrington to decide to support the warrant article.

There were no public comments. The public hearing closed at 6:31pm.

APPOINTMENTS

There were no appointments.

PUBLIC COMMENT

6:31pm. *There were no public comments.*

Review of Minutes

6:32pm. Motion to approve the minutes for the February 1st, 2020 Select Board meeting by Selectperson Bailey, seconded by Chairperson Knapp. Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Hardekopf – Aye, Knapp – Aye. ***The motion passed.***

Motion to approve the minutes for the February 10th, 2020 Select Board meeting amending the time nonpublic session was entered to read 5:46pm by Selectperson

Bailey, Seconded by Chairperson Knapp. Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Hardekopf – Abstain, Knapp – Aye. ***The motion passed.***

STAFF REPORTS

Haley Property/Goodwill Expansion

6:32pm. The Haley Property closed on February 21st. \$2,400 will be expended to pay for required appraisals. Treasurer Peter Royce is interested in establishing a process where expenditures must be approved prior to the Conservation Commission committing to expend funds. This will be included in the Memorandum of Understanding which is currently being drafted.

Town Report

6:36pm. Physical copies of the Town Report will be available on March 2nd, 2020 and will be distributed to various locations in Barrington. A [digital copy](#) will also be posted on the Town website as soon as technical difficulties are resolved.

Addition to the Recreation Facility

6:36pm. A fire protection engineer confirmed that the addition that is currently being considered would not require a fire suppression system. The Recreation Commission is interested in pursuing this addition regardless of future use of the space currently used by the Town Library. Further updates are expected to be available at the March 9th meeting, including a proposed Request for Qualifications and the cost per square foot.

February Work Anniversaries

6:38pm.

- Darlene Harris – 15 years
- Detective Spence Aube – two years
- Officer Tyler Currier – one year

Municipal Office Administrator Caudle requested signatures for:

6:39pm.

- One payroll manifest for check date 2/20/20
- One a/p summary check register for check date 2/20/20
- One Notice of Intent to cut wood or timber

OLD BUSINESS

There were no old business items to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

2020 Peeper Race

6:39pm. A request was received for road closures along Mallego Road from Route 125 to the Post Office entrance from 8:45am through 10:15am for the 26th Annual Greater Barrington Chamber of Commerce Peeper 5k Run/Walk on May 9th, 2020.

Motion to authorize the road closures as requested for the 2020 Peeper Race by Chairperson Knapp, Seconded by Selectperson Hardekopf. Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Hardekopf – Aye, Knapp – Aye. **The motion passed.**

Involuntary Lot Merger Reversal

6:40pm. Pursuant to RSA 674:39-aa, the Marion Ellis Trust, the owners of Map 124 Lot 23 have requested a reversal of an involuntary lot merger. After review, the Town found no evidence the lots were merged voluntarily. The Select Board must vote to authorize the reversal of the involuntary lot merger.

Motion to authorize an involuntary lot merger reversal for the involuntary lot merger of Map 124 Lot 23 by Chairperson Knapp, Seconded by Selectperson Ayer. Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Hardekopf – Aye, Knapp – Aye. **The motion passed.**

Community Development Block Grant – Barrington Oaks

6:41pm. Barrington Oaks has requested assistance with a Community Development Block Grant. As Barrington is currently supporting Lee Oaks, and is limited to one project per year, Barrington Oaks has reached out to the county, which has expressed interest in supporting the application.

The Select Board agreed by consensus to support the community pursuing the application with the assistance of Strafford County.

SELECT PERSONS REPORTS

6:42pm.

Selectperson Ayer shared that the Town Lands Committee is scheduling a time for the Town Forester to review Town forests. The Town Lands Committee is reviewing all tax-deeded lots in the Town and plans to speak to the Treasurer of the Berry

River Road Association and then approach abutters to assess interest in the properties.

Selectperson Bailey shared the Library meeting was cancelled and the Zoning meeting was cancelled due to lack of interest. At candidate's night, a discussion with Representative Matt Towne raised a concern regarding alternate ways to raise money aside from property taxes.

Selectperson Hardekopf confirmed the Recreation Department is working on a Request for Qualifications or Proposals for expansion of the Town Gym. Following the lottery 22 families/children were placed on the wait list for before school care; after care has no families waitlisted. She also reminded all that while it is not the Town's responsibility to provide these services, the Town is fortunate to have an exceptional recreation department willing to fill the need.

Chairperson Knapp shared that he was not present for the Planning Board meeting on February 18th, but it included a review of Wildlife Encounters and the scheduling of a site walk. TURBOCAM was also on the agenda for conditional use permits, and per Building Inspector John Huckins, the permits were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

6:47pm. *There were no public comments.*

NONPUBLIC

6:48pm. *Motion to enter nonpublic for reasons of Personnel and Reputation by Chairperson Knapp.*

Selectperson Hardekopf took a moment to encourage all eligible voters to participate in the upcoming March 10th election, and Selectperson Ayer shared there was an impressive turnout for the primary vote. Administrator Maclver

encouraged those seeking additional information regarding Town Meeting or budget materials to visit www.barrington.nh.gov/2020TownMeeting.

*Motion seconded by Selectperson Hardekopf. Ayer – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Hardekopf – Aye, Knapp – Aye. **The motion passed.***

8:20pm. *Motion to exit nonpublic by Selectperson Hardekopf, seconded by Chairperson Knapp. Ayer – aye, Bailey – Aye, Hardekopf – Aye, Knapp – Aye. **The motion passed.***

8:21pm. *Motion to seal nonpublic minutes indefinitely by Selectperson Hardekopf seconded by Chairperson Knapp. Ayer – aye, Bailey – Aye, Hardekopf – Aye, Knapp – Aye. **The motion passed.***

ADJOURNMENT

8:22pm. *Motion to adjourn by Selectperson Hardekopf seconded by Chairperson Knapp. Ayer – aye, Bailey – Aye, Hardekopf – Aye, Knapp – Aye. **The motion passed.***

Chairperson A. Knapp

Selectperson G. Bailey

Vice-Chairperson T. Hardekopf

Selectperson D. Ayer

NOT PRESENT
Selectperson D. Hatch

3/9/2020
Date Minutes Were Approved

The minutes for the Select Board meeting on Monday, February 24th, 2020 were approved at the Select Board meeting on Monday, March 9th, 2020.