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Town of Morris

Board of Selectmen

Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 16, 2021, 4:30 p.m.

Zoom Digital Meeting

Board Members Present: Tom Weik, Erica Dorsett. Vinnie Aiello was absent

- I. Call to Order by Tom Weik at 4:32 p.m.
- II. **Motion** made by Erica Dorsett to approve Regular Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2021. Tom Weik seconded. **Motion carried.**
- III. **Motion** made by Erica Dorsett to approve the following Abatement/Refund of property taxes as recommended by Tax Collector, Rebecca Juchert-Derungs in the total amount of \$5,623.61. Tom Weik seconded. **Motion carried.**  
  
Parkhurst, Christopher & Ahsley - \$2,108.87  
Pape, Anne Marie - \$3,514.74
- IV. Morris Fire Company Pension Plan discussion - It was agreed that the plan will be reviewed by the Board of Finance, Pension Commission and actuary.
- V. **Motion** made by Erica Dorsett to appoint Andrew Tita to the Beach & Recreation Commission to fill vacancy for a term ending 10/14/24. Tom Weik seconded. **Motion carried.**
- VI. Reviewed ordinance for Sale of Town Property (attached)
- VII. **Motion** made by Erica Dorsett to adjourn at 4:36 p.m. Tom Weik seconded. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Laurel Gillotti  
Executive Assistant

**MORRIS, CONNECTICUT**  
**CODE OF ORDINANCES**

**TITLE III: ADMINISTRATION**  
**Chapter 31: Finance and Revenue; Taxation**

§ 31.04 AUTHORIZATION TO SELL TOWN PERSONAL PROPERTY.

(A) The sale of any surplus personal property item owned by the town and judged by the Board of Selectmen to have a value of \$25,000 or more, shall require approval of the Board of Finance, approval of a town meeting and, after having received such town meeting approval, such sale shall be conducted by sealed bidding. The sale by sealed bidding shall be advertised on the Town website as well as by any other reasonable means as would allow the town to obtain the best possible price for the items to be sold and where such means are consistent with the sealed bid process. Such notice shall be placed at least 14 days prior to such bid deadline and shall include a description of the item(s) offered for sale, as well as the time, place, and manner for sealed bidding.

(B) The Board of Selectmen may, by majority vote, sell items of personal property, owned by the town free of any trust or restriction; provided that, the value of any item, at the time of sale, shall not exceed \$25,000. Written bids shall be required for items estimated to be valued by the Selectmen at and above \$5,000.00, though such bid process need not be sealed. The sale of such property shall be advertised in a manner consistent with that described in subsection (D) of this ordinance.

(C) Surplus town personal property judged by the Board of Selectmen as having little or no commercial value, or judged by the Board of Selectmen as having less value than the cost of disposal or placing such items for sale, may be transferred, donated, or disposed of through salvage contracts or other means deemed by the Board of Selectmen to be cost effective and efficient. Items judged by the Board of Selectmen to be broken or unusable, or to have no commercial, salvage or donation value may be declared "trash" and efficiently and safely disposed of as such.

(D) The Board of Selectmen shall, at least 14 days prior to such sale, advertise the time, place and terms of sale, together with a description of the items offered, on the Town website as well as by any other means deemed by the Board Selectmen to be in the Town's best interest.

(E) No item of historical value to the town shall be sold pursuant to this ordinance without prior written notice to the town's Historical Society at least 14 days prior to sale.

(F) In order to sell any item of personal property acquired by the town as a gift to be held by the town as a public trust, (1) any applicable trust document must allow for such sale, (2) prior written notice must be given to the Attorney General's Public Charities Unit, and (3) approval of a town meeting is required. After such town meeting approval occurs, legal notice on the town website and in a newspaper having a general circulation in the town shall provide notice of the sale consistent with subsection (D) of this ordinance.

(G) The Town Treasurer shall receive the proceeds from any sale of town property and deposit such monies in the General Fund, reporting such proceeds as revenue to the town in the annual report. The Board of Selectmen shall issue a receipt to each purchaser and shall maintain a record of each item sold, the name and address of the purchasers and the amount paid.

(H) This ordinance shall govern only the sale of personal property of the town. This ordinance shall not govern the sale of real property by the town.

(I) This ordinance is made pursuant to Sections 7-148(b)(3) and 7-148(b)(10) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

(J) This section is effective 15 days after publication of a summary of this ordinance in a newspaper having general circulation in the town. (both 5-11-1985 and 5-25-2005). (Ord. passed 4-22-1986; Ord. passed 5-4-2005) (amended 3- -20).

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Adopted by town meeting held: March \_\_\_\_, 2020.

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