

Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2020

Due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) epidemic the April 20, 2020 Board of Selectmen's meeting was held by ZOOM and all Selectmen were live streamed via Channel 194 and broadcast from home.

Attendance: Sel. Arcelaschi, Sel. Bird, Sel. Bouchard, Sel. Bourque, Sel. Groppo, Sel. Perez, Sel. Sedlack . Town Manager, Bob Geiger and Financial Director, Bruce Stratford.

Item 1. Meeting called to Order

Meeting called to order by Mayor Perez at 7:00 p.m.

Item 2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Item 3. Agenda Review NONE

Item 4. Approval of Minutes

A). Minutes of Regular Meeting on April 6, 2020.

Motion by Sel. Bouchard, seconded by Sel. Bird

To approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 6, 2020.

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Item 5. Town Manager's Report

The Town Manager, Bob Geiger, commented on meetings held between April 6th. through April 19th.

Item 6. Finance Director's Report

The Finance Director summarized revenues and expenditures through the end of March.

Item 7. Citizens Comments - John Wiarda

Item 8. Correspondence NONE

Item 9. Boards and Commissions

Sel. Sedlack placed into nomination Kim Huber (U) as a member of the Recreation Board.

Motion by Sel. Sedlack, seconded by Sel. Bouchard

To re-appoint Chris Kiely as a member of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses
Commission term to expire 4/2023.

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Motion by Sel. Sedlack, seconded by Sel. Bouchard

To re-appoint Tim Moran (R) as a member of the Water and Sewer Commission term to
Expire 6/2025.

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Item 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A). 20-001 2020-2021 Budget Process (Mayor Perez)

Mayor Perez gave an overview of the Budget Process during the COVID-19 pandemic. A final decision on the process and timeline will be made at the May 4th. Board meeting.

B). 20-016 Suckerbrook Recent Sediment Issue (Mayor Perez)

Mayor Perez updated the Board on events at the Suckerbrook Dam site on April 13th. she presented photos to the Board. The Town Attorney has been made aware of the situation. No further action was taken.

Item 11.

A). 20-0017 OPM Executive Order 7S – Municipal Tax Relief Deferrals

(Town Manager Geiger)

Motion by Sel. Sedlack, seconded by Sel. Groppo

To approve the low interest program to respond to Executive Order 7-S

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B). 20-018 Land Swap and Temporary Easement Request at 29 Bridge Street (Town Manager Geiger).

Motion by Sel. Sedlack, seconded by Sel. Groppo

I move that the Board of Selectmen refer the land swap and temporary easement request at 29 Bridge Street to the Planning and Zoning Commission for review and comment.

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C). 20-019 Proposed Line Item Transfers (Town Manager Geiger).

Motion by Sel. Arcelaschi, seconded by Sel. Bird

I move that the Board of Selectmen approve the line-item transfer of \$500 from Supplies & Materials (812-825-0000-0000) to Heating Fuel (812-823-0000-0000) in the amount of \$495 and Membership Dues and Subscriptions (812-814-0000-0000) in the amount of \$5.00.

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Motion by Sel. Bourque, seconded by Sel. Groppo

I move that the Board of Selectmen approve the line-item transfer of \$25,000 from Community Planning and Development – Administrative Salary (148-190-0000-0000) and \$2,000 from Community, Planning and Development – FICA (148-900-0001-0000) to Building Department – Secretarial/Support Staff (213-193-0000-0000) in the amount of \$25,000 and Building Department – Fringe Benefits – FICA (213-900-0001-0000) in the amount of \$2,000.

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Item 12. Citizens' Comments – Sheila Sedlack thanked Mr. Lee from Cappy's Cleaners for hand making masks for the Police Department and the Municipal Employees.

Item 13. Selectmen's Comments and Reports

Sel. Perez - inquired about the status of the fuel oil account and our ability to purchase while the price is so low. Finance Director replied we are bound by the current contract.

Sel. Groppo – reported on EDC activities, the possibility of a grant from the United States Chamber of Commerce pertaining to the COVID-19 virus and a photo contest to support the theme of the town's 250 year celebrations.

Sel. Bouchard – Commented on FOMS activities and support for businesses on Main Street offering take-out services.

Sel. Bourque – The ceremonies scheduled for Memorial Day Celebrations are still uncertain. He is still offering a Poetry Contest, details available on the SMC website.

Sel. Perez – Thanked the Community Volunteers during these trying times and asked us all to hang-in-there.

Item 14, Adjournment

Motion by Sel. Sedlack, seconded by Sel. Bouchard

To adjourn the meeting at 8:25p.m.

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ATTEST:

Sheila S. Sedlack, CTCA, CMC

