

LINCOLN BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S

APPROVED

MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 8, 2021 – 5:30PM

LINCOLN TOWN HALL - 148 MAIN STREET, LINCOLN, NH

(THE RECORDING OF THIS MEETING CAN BE FOUND ON YOUTUBE)

Board of Selectmen Present via Zoom: Chairman OJ Robinson, Vice Chair, Tamra Ham, and Selectman Jayne Ludwig

Staff Present via Zoom: Town Manager Burbank, Fire Chief, Ron Beard, and Administrative Assistant Jane Leslie.

Public Present via Zoom Video Conferencing: Paul Beaudin and Dave Beaudin

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Robinson called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION: "To approve the BOS meeting minutes of March 1, 2021 as amended."

Motion: Tamra Ham

Second: Jayne Ludwig

All in favor.

MOTION: "To approve the BOS Non-public meeting minutes of March 1, 2021 as presented."

Motion: Tamra Ham

Second: Jayne Ludwig

All in favor.

MOTION: "To approve the BOS meeting minutes of March 4, 2021 as presented."

Motion: OJ Robinson

Second: Jayne Ludwig

Motion carries.

Abstained: Tamra Ham

III. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Town Manager's Report

Coalition Communities 2.0

Town Manager Burbank informed the board that he attended the first organizational meeting of the Coalition Communities 2.0 (March 3rd) which went well. The committee appointed a joint coordinating board, and will be forwarding the committee's meeting minutes to the town as soon as they become available. Burbank explained that Lincoln will be working with other municipalities to advocate in regard to proposed statutory changes for the distribution of Statewide Education Property Tax (SWEPT). Chairman Robinson asked how many towns were participating on this committee? Burbank responded that there were approximately 29 towns participating in last weeks meeting, and more towns are expected to join.

Zoom Meeting(s) with Senator Jeanne Shaheen and Representative Anne Kuster:

Town Manager Burbank updated the board on two zoom meetings that he participated in with Senator Jeanne Shaheen and Representative Anne Kuster earlier today. Shaheen wanted to meet with North Country Town Managers and Administrators to discuss the upcoming Stimulus Plan that is being voted on this week in Washington. Shaheen also discussed the approximately \$80 billion dollars that is being earmarked for infrastructure grants that will be available to local municipalities.

Burbank further explained that Representative Kuster held a virtual workshop today and discussed the

Northern Borders Regional Commission (NBRC) who will be receiving stimulus money for community projects and expanding economic development in rural communities. Kusters goal today was to get potential applicants together to learn about the grant programs and the 2021 application process (Burbank noted that the town already has a grant through NBRC for the Water Storage Tank project).

Town Meeting Venue:

Town Manager Burbank went over to the Days Inn, and gave kudos to town staff and Moderator Wetherell for getting the venue set up for tomorrow's Town Meeting. Chairman Robinson noted that there was a great team effort between Chief Beard and some of his fire department staff, Moderator Wetherell, the Public Works crew, Town Clerk, as well as the owners of the Days Inn to clean up the meeting/voting area and move items around in preparation for tomorrow's Town Meeting. Robinson added that they should give a big *Thank You* tomorrow to the owners of the Days Inn, Loon Mountain Ministries (for use of their microphone and sound equipment), and town staff for helping to prepare for this meeting in lieu of the many challenges.

Warrant Articles

The board reviewed the warrant articles and who would be presenting them. Chairman Robinson agreed to take the lead on the water meter bond article, and possibly reserve some of his 10-minute speaking time to Town Engineer Ray Korber and/or Dave Fox (Raftelis) as part of his presentation. Robinson noted he would also speak on the Capital Reserve, as he participated on this committee and would be able to answer any questions that may come up. The board reviewed the individual articles, and who would be taking the lead on presenting each article.

OLD BUSINESS

35 Goodbout Road (M/L 107-026) garage addition constructed in towns right-of-way

Selectman Ludwig asked if the property owner (Raymond Correale) on 35 Goodbout Road who built an addition onto his garage without the proper permitting (in the town's right-of-way as well as in the setbacks) ever got a survey done as requested by the Board of Selectmen last year. Chief Beard responded that he had left the property owner a message, but never heard back from him. Chairman Robinson asked Chief Beard if he had informed the property owner that the board had voted against giving *any* waiver or selling *any* town land, and that the garage was in non-compliance and needed a property survey to determine the boundary lines. Robinson went on to explain that Mr. Correale either can make a formal application to the ZBA, or take down the portion of the garage that is in the town's right-of-way. Burbank responded that between he and Chief Beard, they would follow up on this and get back to the board.

NEW BUSINESS

Water meters for non-household use:

Chairman Robinson explained that he received a letter from a resident regarding water meters for non-household use, and questioned whether or not there was going to be a second meter for outdoor water usage that does *not* go into the sewer system (lawn watering, pool filling etc.). Robinson explained that his recollection of the board's position was that each house would be supplied with one (1) water meter, and if the homeowner believes that they will be using a substantial amount of water that will *not* be going into the towns sewer system, they could purchase a second water meter directed towards outdoor non-household usage, and pay for the installation of the meter. Robinson noted that the board would then collectively decide if this would get charged the same per gallon fee as the household use, or if the water rate would be higher (there would be no sewer charge). Robinson explained that if this question comes up tomorrow, he will say that the town is open to allowing a second meter, however, this will be at the expense

of the homeowner (cost to install meter and piping it in correctly) and that the rates have not been established yet for this type of secondary meter usage.

New Public Works/Fire Department Employee;

Selectman Ludwig asked if the new person that the town is looking to hire to work in both the Public Works Department and the Fire Department would be a salaried position or hourly? Town Manager Burbank responded that it is a full-time hourly position with benefits that will be split 50/50 between the Fire Department and Public Works Department.

Public Participation

Dave Beaudin asked if people could take off their masks once they are seated at Town Meeting. Chairman Robinson explained that people will have the option to either sit through Town Meeting with their mask on, or, they can remove their mask and sit in a mask less section in another room behind glass.

IV. NON-PUBLIC Session Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3:(III)

There was no Non-Public Session

VII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to attend to, the Board made the following motion:

MOTION: "To adjourn."

Motion: OJ Robinson

Second: Jayne Ludwig

All in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.


Respectfully Submitted,
Jane Leslie

Approval Date: March 15, 2021


Chairman O.J. Robinson


Tamra Ham


Jayne Ludwig

