

**LINCOLN BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S
MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 15, 2021 – 5:30PM
LINCOLN TOWN HALL - 148 MAIN STREET, LINCOLN, NH**

APPROVED

Board of Selectmen Present: Chairman, OJ Robinson, Vice Chair, Tamra Ham and Selectman Jack Daly

Staff Present: Town Manager Carina Park (12/13/21 Start Date), Fire Chief Ron Beard, Police Chief Chad Morris, and Executive Assistant Jane Leslie

Public Present via Zoom: Ryan Fairbrother, Paul Beaudin and David Beaudin

Public Present: Jim Welsh and Debbie Celino

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Robinson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Chairman Robinson introduced the new Town Manager, Carina Park who will officially begin working for the town on December 13, 2021. Robinson noted that when Carina is not attending a Campton Select Board meeting (which is also on Monday nights) she will be attending Lincoln's meetings through December 13th. Robinson also suggested that the Board take Park on a tour of the town to familiarize her with the town's ongoing projects, infrastructure, properties, litigations, and ongoing issues that are pending in the town.

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION: "To approve the BOS public meeting minutes of November 8, 2021 as presented."

Motion: Tamra Ham

Seconded: Jack Daly

All in favor

MOTION: "To approve the BOS non-public meeting minutes of November 8, 2021 as presented."

Motion: Tamra Ham

Seconded: Jack Daly

All in favor

MOTION: "To approve the BOS public meeting minutes of November 9, 2021 as presented."

Motion: Tamra Ham

Seconded: Jack Daly

All in favor

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Motion: Tamra Ham

Seconded: Jack

All in favor

III. REVISED PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING RFQ

Selectman Ham presented the board with the revised RFQ (see attached). Ham explained that Town Engineer, Ray Korber has assisted in the revision of this document. Selectman Daly asked if there was a guestimate cost for this. Ham responded that there should not be any costs associated with this as it is looking for architectural firms to compete for the bid, and once the bids are received, the town will then have a cost amount. Robinson read the following from the RFQ:

It is the intent of the Town to review all submissions and create a short-list of Consultants to interview based on the qualifications submitted. Subsequent to these interviews, the Consultants will be ranked in order of preference and their proposals reviewed. The Town will then enter into negotiations with highest ranked Consultant. If an agreement cannot be reached with the Town's first choice, they will proceed to the next highest scoring candidate until an agreement can be reached.

After a brief discussion, Chairman Robinson made the following motion:

MOTION: “To approve the RFQ for the Police/Fire Station Conceptual Design Services.”

Motion: OJ Robinson Seconded: Tamra Ham All in favor.

IV. WATER METER *Discussion*

Selectman Ham explained that during the last Budget Committee meeting they had expressed disappointment that the Selectmen had decided *not* to put the water meters back on the warrant this year in light of the extensive research that has been done and money that had been spent on information that is still relative today. The Budget Committee also felt that if they wait and decide to do this in 2-3 years, they will have to start the process all over again at a greater cost. Ham recommended that they put the bond to purchase and install water meters back on the warrant this year.

Selectman Daly commented that he is personally against doing this because the town’s residents had voted this down at last year’s Town Meeting. Daly feels that by educating adults and children in school about water conservation, it will have a significant impact on the resident’s water usage.

Robinson explained how the town’s water services are billed to Carina Park (water tap fees/service integrated into tax rate). A discussion ensued on whether or not to add water meters as a warrant article, and Selectman Daly made the following motion:

MOTION: “To open this discussion up for public input.”

Motion: Jack Daly Seconded: Tamra Ham All in favor.

Dave Beaudin (Water Plant Operator) commented that he disagreed with Daly’s statement that this warrant article was voted down at Town Meeting because a majority of the people had voted in favor of it, and it only failed because it was a bond issue that required a 3/5 vote [Yes 39 – No 33]. Beaudin feels that it is very important that this goes before the voters again and that it passes.

Paul Beaudin commented that the water meters have failed several times over the years, and he does not think that the board should put this back on the warrant. Beaudin also commented that the Kanc ski area uses upwards of a million gallons of treated water per winter to make snow, so its difficult to promote conservation when the town is using treated water for the local ski area.

Jim Welsh commented that by educating children at school about water conservation in hopes that they bring this information home to their households will only reach the homes of the town’s full-time residents (approximately 1500), however, during peak times when there can be upwards of 15k people in town, how do you get those people to conserve water? Daly responded that the people visiting Lincoln are not here for extended stays, and subsequently will use less water than those living here full-time.

MOTION: “To close this public hearing.”

Motion: OJ Robinson Seconded: Tamra Ham All in favor.

MOTION: “To put the water meter warrant article on the March 8, 2022 Town Meeting ballot.”

Motion: Tamra Ham Seconded:

Nay: OJ Robinson

Nay: Jack Daly

Robinson noted that between now and the end of the budget session if an opportunity arises to obtain a grant (if we have meters) he would reconsider this and put it before the budget committee at that point. Daly commented that with a new Town Manager coming aboard, he would like for her to research grants and find out information to educate the community on what it costs the town, and how much the town could save as well as the individual homeowners by using water meters.

V. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Town Manager's Report

Robinson explained to Carina, that this will be her weekly reporting to the Board of Selectmen, as well as her opportunity to ask any questions that she may have.

NEW BUSINESS

Rodgers Ski & Sport Letter of Support:

The Board reviewed and signed the draft letter that Selectman Ham put together supporting Dave and Helen Rodgers request to DOT to *not* put a barrier in their parking lot (see attached).

Legal Budget:

The board discussed the general legal line item and agreed to leave it at \$105k.

Reval Notices:

The board discussed the reval notices that the assessors are going to be sending out this week, as well as plans to meet and set the tax rate.

OLD BUSINESS:

Unused Bond Proceeds:

Selectman Ham updated the board on unused bond proceeds as follows:

- (1) Levee Funds (\$111,048) can be returned to the Bank of NH principle with no penalty.
- (2) Pollard Road Sidewalk (\$7,315) can be returned to Union Bank principle with no penalty.
- (3) Beechwood Road (\$42,876) US Bond Bank and it *cannot* be returned to principle, and will have to be voted on and reallocated somewhere else. Ham recommends that it go back into roads and streets (CIP) with the intention to use these funds towards finishing up lower Black Mountain Road.

Ham explained that all of these items must be put on the warrant for a town meeting vote, and with the board's approval, Ham will have Finance Director Johnna Hart prepare the warrant articles. The board was fully supportive of this.

GMR Holdings of NH, LLC v. Town of Lincoln:

Robinson read the from the summary of the November 8th court order (see attached).

O'Brien Way Dedication:

Selectman Ham explained that the Commemorative Ceremony for Thomas F. O'Brien that was held on Sunday, November 14th went well and there was a terrific turnout. The Rotary's InterAct club was a big part of this endeavor in raising the funds for the bronze plaque that was erected. The board also discussed the No Parking signs that DPW Director Hadaway is putting up at the other end of O'Brien Avenue.

Face Mask Notice for Local Business's:

Selectman Ham read a letter she drafted for the board to sign and send to local businesses. Ham also presented copies of flyers that she printed for distribution with the letters (see attached).

Steven Bomba Memorial Spaghetti Dinner – November 19th

Ham invited all to attend the Steven Bomba Memorial Spaghetti Dinner at the LinWood High School at 6:30 pm on November 19th with proceeds going to the Steven Bomba Scholarship foundation.

ARPA Public Hearing:

Robinson explained that due to an error in the dollar amount that the board had accepted during the last public hearing (November 8th), they now have to hold another Public Hearing scheduled for November 29th at 5:30 p.m. to accept the full amount of ARPA funds that the town will be receiving.

Public Participation

Jim Welsh asked if the tax bills will still be due by December 1st? The board explained that the taxpayer has 30-days from the date of the tax bill to submit their payment.

Dave Beaudin commented that although he does not currently live in the Town of Lincoln, he is an employee of the town in the Water Department, and he is looking out for the better interest of the town. The board thanked Dave for his service to the community.

VII. NON-PUBLIC Session Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3:(III) (c) Personnel Issues

MOTION: “To go into Non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 (III) (c) Personnel Issues.

Motion: Tamra Ham

Seconded: OJ Robinson

All in favor

The Board of Selectmen went into Non-public session at 6:55 p.m.

MOTION: “To re-enter public session.”

Motion: Jack Daly

Seconded: OJ Robinson

All in favor

The Board of Selectmen came out of Non-public session at 8:18 p.m.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

After reviewing the weekly payables and with no further business to attend to, the Board made the following motion:

MOTION: “To adjourn.”

Motion: OJ Robinson

Second: Jack Daly

All in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.


Respectfully Submitted,
Jane Leslie

Approval Date: November 22, 2021


Chairman O.J. Robinson


Tamra Ham


Jack Daly

November 15, 2021
Board of Selectmen's Meeting
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Deb Colino
(Print Name)
Jim Welsh

Deb Colino
(Sign Name)
Jim Welsh

February 13, 2020
Budget Committee Hearing
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(Print Name)

(Sign Name)

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

POLICE/FIRE STATION CONCEPTUAL DESIGN SERVICES

The Town of Lincoln, NH (Town) is requesting Statements of Qualifications from professional design firms or individuals experienced in the design and construction of police and fire stations to complete the conceptual design of a new police/fire station. The Police/Fire Station will be one central headquarters facility for both the Lincoln Police Department and Lincoln Fire Department and will house all emergency response personnel, equipment and apparatus and may include but not be limited to: office space, conference facilities, training/briefing rooms, living quarters (fire), locker rooms with facilities, interview rooms, uniform/equipment room, gym/training space, vehicle and apparatus bays, equipment and general storage facilities, processing/evidence rooms and storage, and kitchen/break room. The Police/Fire Station will be sited on a town owned land located at the Pollard Road/Mansion Hill Road intersection in Lincoln. The initial contract will be for conceptual level design services including: physical and operational evaluation of the Police and Fire Departments; space and facility needs assessment and programming; alternatives analysis of building options; conceptual building floor plans and layout, building elevations, identification of site requirements and site plan; conceptual level total project cost estimates (hard and soft costs); and assistance in developing and executing a community education and outreach program for the project. Additional services may include preliminary and final design development and construction phase services. Applicants should demonstrate a record of successful experience with delivering police and fire stations of the size and scope proposed for the new Police/Fire Station.

Statements of Qualifications for the Police/Fire Station will be received at the Office of the Town Manager, Town of Lincoln, Town Hall, 148 Main St, P.O. Box 25, Lincoln, NH 03251, **until 2 pm on ----, 2021**. A pre-submittal conference shall not be held.

Copies of the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) may be obtained from the Town of Lincoln electronically by **contacting ----- at (insert email). For questions regarding this RFQ, contact -----.**

The Town of Lincoln reserves the right to reject any or all responses, waive technicalities and informalities, to amend and/or cancel the RFQ prior to the specified time of receiving Statements of Qualifications, and to make awards in a manner deemed in the best interest of the Town of Lincoln. The Town of Lincoln assumes no obligation in this general solicitation of Statements of Qualifications and all cost and expenses of responding to this RFQ shall be borne by the interested firms or individuals.

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Introduction

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This Request for Qualifications (RFQ) is to provide a common and uniform set of instructions to guide respondents through the development of proposals. There is no expressed or implied obligation for the Town to reimburse responding Consultants for any expenses incurred in preparing proposals in response to this request. Materials submitted by respondents are subject to public review unless a respondent identifies proprietary or confidential information as provided in their submittal.

During the evaluation process, the Town reserves the right, where it may serve the Town's best interest, to request additional information or clarification from respondents. At the discretion of the Town, Consultants submitting responses to this RFQ may be requested to make oral presentations as part of the evaluation process.

The Town reserves the right to retain all documents submitted for this RFQ and to use any idea(s) presented regardless of whether that respondent is selected. Submission of a response to this RFQ indicates acceptance by the Consultant of the conditions contained in this RFQ, unless clearly and specifically noted in the response to the RFQ and confirmed in the contract between the Town of Lincoln and the Consultant selected.

It is anticipated the selection of a Consultant will be completed by ----. Following the notification of the selected Consultant, a recommendation and proposed contract will be prepared for review and approval by the Town. The Town reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any non-material irregularities or information in any proposal, and to accept or reject any items or combination of items.

Responses to this RFQ must be responsive to Town's request. The Town will determine the most responsive and qualified consultant providing the best service and shall then seek to negotiate a contract for a fair and reasonable price for the services requested.

This RFQ does not obligate the Town to award a contract or complete the project and the Town reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if deemed in its best interest.

Background

The Town of Lincoln has separate police and fire facilities. The Fire Department building is 4667 square feet located on Church St. It contains four single-engine bays as well as office and meeting spaces. The Police Department is located in the basement of Town Hall on Main St. The basement of the building has 5489 square feet which encompasses a dispatch center, booking room, single bay garage, and office space. The Town of Lincoln owns a 2.8-acre undeveloped parcel of land at the intersection of Pollard Road and Mansion Hill Road. The Town of Lincoln proposes to construct a new 30,000 to 45,000 square foot police and fire station complex on property located on the 2.8-acre parcel.

The Town believes that combining the Police and Fire Department facilities and increasing the useable square footage for each department is the best direction for the Town of Lincoln. It is estimated that the Fire Department portion should be approximately 15,000 square feet which may include four drive through bays – two trucks deep, sleeping quarters for eight, storage rooms, training area, locker rooms, decontamination area/room, and ample office space for the increasing responsibilities overseen by the Fire Department. It is estimated that the Police Department portion should be approximately 14,000 square feet which would include a centralized dispatch center with three consoles, evidence room, six adult and one juvenile cell (sight and sound separated from adults), detectives office area, officer's room, storage rooms, locker rooms, administrative office area, additional training room, and a drive through garage/sally port large enough to hold 8 full sized SUV's. The shared portions of the facility could include kitchen area, fitness room, conference room (separate from training), lobby area, receptionist area, and mechanical / electrical rooms for building operations. The Town is interested in designs that incorporate energy efficiency, solar technology, the latest "green" building designs and trends, and with sufficient foresight to anticipate the growth of the Town and its future needs regarding service.

Scope of Services

The Town envisions completing the following scope of services under the conceptual design phase of the project. Respondents are encouraged to present alternative or additional services for the Towns consideration but must address the following minimum requirements.

Existing Facilities Evaluation and Needs Assessment:

Evaluate the space of the existing Police and Fire Departments identifying both physical and

operations issues of space quality, layout and detail. The analysis must include areas that do not meet current recommendations for efficient operational design or current life-safety codes. The needs assessment shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- Provide an objective evaluation of existing Police and Fire Department space including but not limited to compliance with state building codes, operational constraints, facility maintenance requirements and conflicts with basic facility standards required for each of the Departments.
- Verify and document current requirements for the respective Departments leading to a right-sizing of facility space. Identify metrics and benchmarks used in the analysis for right-sizing facilities. Space needs shall include all standard Department functions, operations and maintenance needs. Design should take into consideration and incorporate future growth and build out of the facility to meet Department and community growth. The Town expects that the design of the facility will meet the demands of the Police and Fire Department for a minimum period of 30 years.
- Complete a gap analysis that clearly articulates the difference between current facilities and proposed facilities that are required for the efficient operation of the respective Departments. The analysis will be based on industry standards for space evaluation and the Consultant's own experience.
- Conduct interviews with the respective Department representatives and staff to discuss current and future staffing projections, proposed facility needs and current facility issues and limitations and constraints to efficient Department operations.
- Attend meetings and coordinate with the Lincoln Building Committee, Town management and local boards. Prepare and make presentations to the general public.
- Prepare a report regarding the evaluations, analyses, assessments and findings of the existing facility evaluation and needs assessment. Submit the report for review and comment. Address comments and finalize report.

Conceptual Design

Perform an architectural program for the Police/Fire Station based on current and future needs for the specified planning period and develop conceptual designs for a single or multi-floor facility located on the town-owned parcel at the Pollard Road/Mansion Hill Road intersection. The concept design will include all site requirements (parking, access/egress, landscaping, lighting, etc.); floor plans, building elevations, and 3-D images to accurately exhibit the size, scope and conceptual design of the facility. The conceptual design shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Conceptual design work sessions with Lincoln Building Committee and Town staff to develop appropriate single and multi-floor alternatives.
- Floor plan diagrams showing location of internal divisions and common/shared space of the Police and Fire Department, public and internal circulation, public and staff entries, secure employee parking and special staff support spaces (training room; break room; etc.).
- Site diagrams showing setback, parking and access/egress requirements.
- 3-D massing diagrams showing proposed concept design alternatives.
- Building elevation and section drawings annotated with preliminary material and finish suggestions.
- Conceptual designs to include cost estimates of: 1) site development; 2) building construction, escalation to the midpoint of construction; and 3) soft costs including all

design, construction administration, testing, inspection, permitting, commissioning, and contingencies.

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Community Education and Outreach Program

Assist the town in developing a community education and outreach program. The purpose of the program will be to engage with the Lincoln community to generate a high-level of community understanding of the proposed project. Services may include but not be limited to: public presentations; facilitation of meetings and public information and education events; development of informational materials such as flyers, fact sheets, press releases, social media posts, etc. that presents the existing facilities condition assessment, Department needs and gap analysis and the proposed project. The community engagement program will seek to not only inform the community but to solicit feedback and learning from the community.

Proposal Content

Responses to this RFQ must adhere to the requirements outlined in this section. The original response and each subsequent copy must be submitted on paper, properly bound, appropriately tabbed and labeled in the following order:

1. Introduction: Provide a cover letter and introduction including the name and address of the organization with the name, address, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail address of the contact person who will be authorized to make representations for the organization. Provide a one- to two-page executive summary with an overview of the proposal, its highlights, and the approach to successfully complete the project.
2. Qualifications and Experience: Describe firm resources, experience and capabilities as follows:
 - a. Provide an outline of the firm's background, qualifications, experience and ability to perform the scope of services required. Include a list and project descriptions of the most recent projects of similar size, scope and complexity. Include a statement on why the firm is best qualified to complete the project. Identify any sub-consultants proposed for the project and provide similar information for each sub-consultant. Include a description of specific projects similar to this request.
 - b. Identify all key project personnel, their relationship to the project, relevant qualifications and experience, and their level of effort toward completing the scope of services. Provide resumes of key personnel including education, experience and summary of work on similar projects. This applies to sub-consultants. Identify the individual who will serve as the primary contact with the Town.
 - c. Provide a brief outline of the firm's current workload, staffing and ability to meet the schedule.
3. References: Identify at least five successfully completed projects of a similar nature, preferably with direct involvement of municipal governments in New Hampshire. Each

project listed shall include the name of the agency, project manager, phone number, and description of work performed.

4. **Scope of Services and Project Approach:** Provide a detailed scope of services to complete the conceptual design of a new Police/Fire Station. The scope of services shall address the project objectives, an understanding of project requirements and reflect the effort required to deliver a successful outcome. Describe the approach to the project with any special ideas, techniques or suggestions that may expedite and enhance the successful outcome of the project. Discuss any ideas for modifying, clarifying or improving the Town's scope of services.
5. **Schedule:** Describe the completion schedule for the project indicating specific tasks and timelines and information and services required of the Town to meet the proposed schedule.
6. **Experience with Alternative Delivery Systems:** Provide a detailed description of experience with alternative project delivery systems (construction manager; design-build; design-bid-build; etc.).
7. **Additional Data:** Proposals may include any other information the Consultant deems essential to the evaluation of the qualifications and proposal statements. This section will be limited to three pages.

Submittal Requirements

To be considered, please submit one electronic copy (pdf format) of the proposal to townmanager@lincolnnh.org. Submit six (6) copies of the proposal by 3:00 PM,---- to:

Town Manager
Town Hall
148 Main St, P.O. Box 25
Lincoln, NH 03251

The proposal shall be sealed in an envelope and the envelope shall be labeled as follows: "RFQ Conceptual Design Services for Police/Fire Station, Lincoln NH".

Proposals received after the due date and time will not be accepted. Faxed proposals will not be accepted. Consultants are solely responsible for ensuring proposals are received by the Town on or before the submittal deadline.

Questions regarding this Request for Qualifications may be directed to ----- at 603 ----or via email at ----- Submit questions no later than -----. A pre-submittal conference will not be held.

Review and Selection Procedure

An evaluation committee comprised of Town staff and local citizens will review each submission. The following evaluation criteria will be used in selecting a Consultant:

- Qualifications of the firm and related experience with similar efforts;
 - Relevant qualifications of key personnel and commitment of senior staff to the project;
 - References;
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- Knowledge of Town's needs and objectives;
- Proposed schedule and ability to meet applicable deadlines;
- Completeness and overall responsiveness to this RFP;
- Experience with alternative project delivery systems.

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GMR Holdings of N.H., LLC v. Town of Lincoln

Summary of November 8, 2021, Court Order

1. Effective Prohibition

The Court found that GMR showed that there were no feasible alternatives to the proposed site.

The Court found that the Knoll Site is not a feasible alternative because there was local opposition to citing the tower there and the ordinance requires that existing mature tree growth and natural land forms on the site shall be preserved to the maximum extent possible.

The Court found that the Motel Site and the Adjacent Residence Site were not feasible alternatives because they would both have fall zone issues and the comments from the planning board indicated that the Board was unlikely to grant a fall zone waiver for buildings that provide residence for people.

The Court found that the two additional sites, 4 and 11 Broken Arrow Drive, were not feasible alternatives because the owners of those properties were opposed to the construction of a cell tower.

The Court found that sites on the State Forest and National Forest land were not available because GMR's consultant, Peter Cooke "reasonably concluded that state or federal land was not a feasible alternative, given the viability of the proposed site at 749 Daniel Webster Highway."

2. Substantial Evidence

The Court found that the Planning Board's decision that "'strict adherence to the requirements of the 125% fall zone requirement was required to effectuate the purpose of the ordinance' and that 'strict compliance with the 125% fall zone requirement would not create practical difficulty and unnecessary inconvenience'" were "unexplained" and at odds with the weight of the evidence in the record.

The Court found that the Planning Board expressed significant concerns with the visual impact and availability of alternative tower structure and siting locations, but that the decision did not explain them and the evidence did not support the Planning Board's concerns regarding the visual impact.¹

3. Appeal Period

The Town has 30 days (**until December 8, 2021**) to appeal the decision. We do not recommend that the Town appeal the Effective Prohibition ruling because the Court found that

¹ The Court also noted that the evidence did not support the Planning Board's concerns regarding the Tower's visual impact.

the evidence GMR presented showed that there were no feasible alternatives. We do not recommend that the Town appeal the Substantial Evidence claim because it is unlikely the Court of Appeals would view the Planning Board's decision differently from the District Court.





Town of Lincoln



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November 15, 2021

Philip Beaulieu
District Engineer
641 Main Street
Lancaster NH 03584

Dear Mr. Beaulieu,

The Lincoln Board of Selectmen would like to express their opinion on the proposed island in front of Rodgers Ski and Sport on Railroad Street in Lincoln. We understand your intentions with the island however, we would like to suggest waiting to see the actual impact on the intersection before constructing the island.

We have spoken with Dave and Helen Rodgers and understand the negative impact an island blocking their parking lot will have on their successful small business. Rodgers Ski and Sport has 40+ local employees and is a generous supporter of area youth ski programs and organizations. The impact of an island blocking their parking lot will not only affect their business but our community as well.

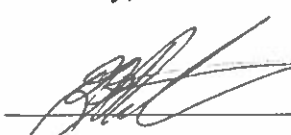
We have spoken to Lincoln Police Chief Morris, he is not in support of an island in front of Rodgers Ski and Sport and believes that it may cause more displaced traffic onto both Railroad Street and Route 112, at this time and agrees that a “wait and see” approach may be the better alternative.

We have also spoken to Lincoln Fire Chief Beard who expressed his concern with maneuvering fire apparatus around an island in the event of an emergency. Chief Beard feels that the life safety concerns with fire apparatus accessibility far outweigh potential traffic concerns on Railroad Street.

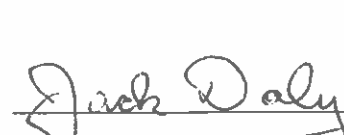
Both Police Chief Morris and Fire Chief Beard mentioned the former Ice Castle operation on Railroad Street and the fact that many more vehicles than projected for the medical facility entered and exited that same intersection successfully for several years.

We urge you to consider waiting to see the actual impact the medical facility will have on the Railroad Street/Route 112 intersection prior to requiring installation of an island in front of Rodgers Ski and Sport's parking lot.

Sincerely,


Chairman, OJ Robinson


Vice Chair, Tamra Ham


Selectman Jack Daly



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November 16, 2021

Dear Lincoln Businesses,

Like all of you, we are working hard to find our way forward during the midst of a global pandemic and an economic recession. We are looking for safe and sustainable ways to conduct business, serve our community, and keep our employees employed.

As the science of the pandemic has evolved, we have learned that one of the most important things we can do as business leaders is to require mask-wearing. Several studies in the last month have shown the effectiveness of public mask-wearing in lowering the rates of transmission.

For the good of our customers, our employees, our community, and our economy, we cannot allow masks to be politicized. We need to establish consistent mask-wearing in public to protect all members of our communities.

In the interests of keeping our employees, our customers, and our region as safe as possible, we are calling on our fellow business leaders to put in place firm policies that:

- Request and encourage employees to wear masks, indoors whenever 6' spacing cannot be accomplished, and outdoors whenever there is prolonged contact (10+ minutes) within 6'.
- Request and encourage customers and clients to wear masks in our stores and facilities;

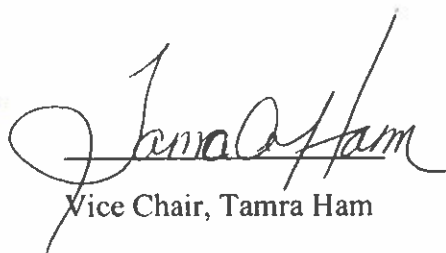
Business leaders have a unique role to play in shaping and modeling public behavior. By implementing firm mask requirements in our own businesses, we can each do our part to shape and encourage this new habit.

Our community employs over 1700 local folks and serves more than 1 million visitors every year.

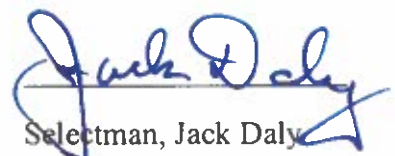
Wearing a mask is a simple, effective practice we can all adopt. It will make our community safer, and it will help to prevent the chance of another economic lockdown.



Chairman, OJ Robinson



Vice Chair, Tamra Ham



Selectman, Jack Daly

Please wear a mask.



Stay at least 6 feet apart
from others.



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