

Board of Selectmen & Assessors Meeting- Minutes

November 22, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.

Fire Station Community Room, 86 River Rd.

Present: Board Members- Joel Lind, Tor Glendinning, Rob Nelson, Karen Paz, and David Levesque. Staff Members- Sarah Macy-Town Manager, and Casey Stevens-Interim Fire Chief. Jake Abbott-Fire Company Trustee, and Peter Drum-Town Attorney. Minutes transcribed by Michelle Cameron-Town Clerk

1. Call to Order: Lind called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Amendments to the Agenda (Pending Approval: NONE

4. Minutes

4.1 November 8: **On motion Glendinning/Nelson moved to approve the November 8th meeting minutes. Vote 5-0**

5. Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

The Board requests that public comments are limited to five (5) minutes per subject.

Lind read aloud the section of the Select Board bylaws regarding public comments. There were no public comments.

6. Selectmen Future Agenda Items: NONE

7. New Business

7.1 Banking RFP Bid Opening: Macy read aloud the criteria used for reviewing the bids as stated in the Purchases and Bid Ordinance. Lind read aloud the name of the banking institutions that submitted a bid to provide the town banking services. Bids were submitted by Camden National Bank, Bath Savings Institution, First National Bank, Bangor Savings Bank, and Northeast Bank.

7.2 North Newcastle Road Speed Limit Sign Approval: Macy stated, Seth Hagar the town's road commissioner had contacted MDOT and found that a road study had been done on the North Newcastle road. Macy said the Board can ask for a new study or vote to set the speed limit for the road tonight. The study recommended that the speed limit begin at 35 mph beginning at the junction of North Newcastle and Old County roads and then change to 45 mph starting at a point half a mile north from that junction. It would then change again to 35 mph starting at 2.6 miles north of the junction of North Newcastle and Old County roads. Discussion ensued about the speed study and action to be taken. **On motion Glendinning/Nelson moved to accept MDOT speed limits for posting and authorize the posting of the speed limit signs. Vote 5-0**

7.3 Noise Ordinance Discussion: Discussion ensued concerning allowable noise levels in the village. The Core Zoning Code ordinance includes standards about noise levels. The implementation of citing violations brings up questions regarding enforcement and the expense of that enforcement. Residents from the village spoke in favor of enforcement of the Core Zoning Code ordinance regarding noise levels or creating an ordinance that would regulate noise levels that may have a negative impact on surrounding neighbors. Further discussion took place about creating a new ordinance or looking at amending the Core Zoning Code.

7.4 Fire Protection Ordinance by Petition Discussion: Lind read aloud the petition ordinance. Discussion ensued between Stevens, Jake Abbott-Fire Company trustee and the Board regarding the details of the Fire Protection Ordinance by Petition and how the budget process would work.

8. Fiscal Warrants

8.1 Town Warrant-\$298,972.53: **On motion Nelson/Paz moved to approve the town warrant for \$298,972.53. Vote 5-0**

9. Adjournment: On motion Levesque/Glendinning moved to adjourn at 9:20 p.m. Vote 5-0

**Executive Session 1 M.R.S.A. Section 405 (6) A – Personnel, C – Real Estate, D - Labor Contracts, E – Legal, H – Consultation With CEO Concerning Enforcement Action*

Upcoming Events

Town Office Closed – Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, November 26th

Town Office Closed – Thanksgiving Friday – Friday, November 27th

Board of Selectmen – Monday, December 13th Fire Station Community Room - 86 River Rd.

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