

SELECT BOARD MEETING: VIA ZOOM

Date: Feb 2, 2021 6:30 P.M.

In Attendance: Selectboard- John Fenner (chair,) Lorie Costigan, Peter Beckett, Charles Garrigan (tardy), Danielle Gould
Town Clerk Elizabeth E. Dickerson
Kay Neufeld, Camden Herald

1. Call Select Board meeting to order

Chair Fenner called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

2. Meetings are recorded

Selectperson Fenner reminded attendees that Zoom meetings are recorded.

3. Approve the minutes of January 19, 2021- Selectperson Beckett so moved, second Selectperson Gould

Discussion- none

Vote: Beckett: yes, Costigan: yes, Fenner: yes, Garrigan: absent, Gould: yes 4-0-0 the motion passes.

Approve the minutes of January 26, 2021- Selectperson Beckett so moved, second Gould

Discussion- Selectperson Fenner said that the vote tally for the approval of minutes for the motion to postpone the approval of the minutes of January 19 should have been tallied as 4-0-1 instead of 4-1-0, the clerk amended.

Vote on the amended minutes: Beckett: yes, Costigan: yes, Fenner: yes, Garrigan: absent, Gould: yes 4-0-0 the motion passes.

4. Public Comment: none

5. Road Commissioner- Jake Boyington – not present

6. Town Clerk- Elizabeth Dickerson-

The clerk reports that she has been working with Howard Jones at the Secretary of State's Office to train on using the online voter registration portal called CVR, and maintaining voter records and organization of past election materials. Two marriage certificates were issued, as well as a license. A genealogical request came in that the clerk is looking forward to researching. There was a request for the Incoming Voter List (IVL) from the Knox County Republican Party chair, Victoria Bucklin, which the clerk printed out and delivered at the counter. IVL is a public record. The town charges 25 cents per copy. Nakia Cramer is interested in talking to the board about no wake signs.

7. Select Board-

A. Committee reports TCSWMO- Selectperson Beckett reports that the subcommittee dealing with the recent issue dealing with dump truck dumping will contact various

authorities to go over the issue, talk to Maine Municipal Association, insurance companies, lawyers.

B. Street Lights – Selectperson Fenner- in the materials received from CMP there is a Powerpoint presentation. Selectperson Beckett shared the Powerpoint presentation on screen to share cost savings figures. Discussion about currently placed lights, whether lights should be moved, or perhaps new lights placed ensued, including wattage of the lights and cost per adding new lights.

C. Animal Control ordinance and associated violation notice for possible adoption on June 8, 2021 by town vote

Selectperson Fenner- Heidi Blood, Animal Control Officer (ACO) has sent along an ordinance that could be considered at the polls. The ordinance was sent out with the agenda. Selectperson Beckett suggested that discussion should be delayed until the ACO could join the meeting. She was not able to attend suddenly due to a pressing animal control situation in another town. The ACO had sent out an email detailing how she wanted to be in compliance with state law, which requires a town ordinance if she wants to act upon a complaint.

Selectperson Fenner said that at noon on Feb 16, budget figures are due from department heads. In two weeks the budget season will commence.

8. Other- The Town Clerk said that the rabies clinic on Sunday was a success, and raised over 700 for the Fire Department. She said that Dr. Grace Simonson and staff, and the fire department did a great job, and many people came from surrounding towns. (Note: Masks were worn and social distancing practiced. People waited for their turns.) The clerk notes that she had a follow-up email to her question to the state Animal Welfare department concerning late fees for rabies. There has been confusion among town clerks concerning whether to charge the fee. Selectperson Gould had asked about the late charge at a previous meeting. The clarification from the department was that due to the pandemic, late fees for not licensing by January 31 will be excused until the end of the pandemic. The clerk said that the decree had been made through executive order, Selectperson Fenner corrected and said it was an act of the legislature.

9. Executive Session: none

10. Adjourn 7:14 pm, adjournment is by unanimous consent

A True Copy Attest,



Elizabeth Dickerson
Appleton Town Clerk