

SELECT BOARD MEETING: VIA ZOOM

Date: Feb 23, 2021 6:30 P.M.

In Attendance: Selectboard- John Fenner (chair,) Lorie Costigan, Peter Beckett, Charles Garrigan, Danielle Gould (absent), Robert Bocko, Sharon Pree
Town Clerk Elizabeth E. Dickerson
Sharon Pree
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 February 16, 2021- Selectperson Beckett so moved, second
Selectperson Garrigan

Discussion on minutes

Selectperson Beckett:

Third page, concerning streetlights- “the one by the George’s River”- can we add by Camden Road

Third paragraph down –add that Selectperson Beckett will compose a letter to be sent to abutters

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

4. Public Comment: Mr. Bocko is a member of the budget committee, was wondering about timeline for meetings. Two new members are needed for the committee. Fred Brown resigned, and there was one other vacancy.

5. Road Commissioner- Jake Boyington –not present. Selectperson Garrigan would like to see about getting some bump signs put up.

6. Town Clerk- Elizabeth Dickerson- nomination papers are available for school board and selectboard positions. No one have taken out papers yet.

7. Select Board-

A. Committee reports: Selectperson Beckett- The Tri-County subcommittee met last night, now have a letter to be sent to Dept. of Labor and DEP, in regards to dump truck issue, expect to get it out tomorrow.

B. Street Lights – Selectperson Fenner made an inquiry with MMA legal to see whether streetlight agreement with CMP is something board can do on their own or whether it has to go to town meeting. We have a list of five additional lights/locations. Thought the board could vote on those. Should a letter about light changes be sent to abutters. Selectperson Beckett would like to. Selectperson Fenner is opposed to sending out letters.

Selectperson Fenner makes a motion not to send the letters.

There is no second, the motion fails.

A motion to send letters is made by Selectperson Beckett.

There is no second, the motion fails.

Selectperson Garrigan wants to hear back from MMA before deciding on further action to do with streetlights.

Selectperson Costigan agreed.

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

Selectperson Fenner asked for general guidance concerning warnings or levying fines.

Selectperson Garrigan- not in favor of selectboard being involved with levying fines.

Selectpersons Beckett, Costigan, and Fenner agree.

Selectperson Fenner thinks the warning first is a good idea. Selectperson Beckett asked how many warnings should be issued, suggested best to leave up to animal control officer.

Selectperson Fenner will continue work on possible ordinance.

D. Request to place an article on town warrant- Sharon Pree-

Selectperson Fenner made a motion to put the article as propoised by Sharon Pree regarding climate change on the warrant for town meeting

Second- Lorie Costigan

Vote: Beckett: no, Costigan: yes, Fenner: yes, Garrigan; yes, Gould: absent 3-1-0, the motion passes.

E. Continuing budget review municipal budget – Road commissioner requests are the same as last FY. General discussion of the budget ensued.

F. Schedule CSD Budget presentation – the board would like Superintendent Libby to attend a board meeting. A meeting will be scheduled, next week will be suggested.

Public comment comment registered from Randall Parr – painting is needed at the town hall and firehouse.

8. Other- Selectperson Fenner- Made a nomination to Budget Committee, William Fiegenger:

Second- Selectperson Costigan

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

Still need one more budget committee member.

Is it possible in light of COVID restrictions to swear someone in on Zoom? The clerk will check.

Final work on boiler scheduled for March 11.

9. Executive Session: The selectboard will reconvene their meeting from the 12th on the 26th same time same place same subject.

10. Adjourn 7:27 pm, adjournment is by unanimous consent

A True Copy Attest,



Elizabeth Dickerson

Appleton Town Clerk