

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**February 3, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER: Sonny opened the meeting with the pledge at 7:05PM.

SELECTMEN IN ATTENDANCE:

Roland C. LePage, Dorothy M. Richard, Wendy M. Thorne, Gilbert S. Harris, Joanne L. Andrews.

ATTENDEES:

- Steve Malmude, Judy LePage, Joe Parsons

MINUTES:

- Wendy **motioned** to approve the minutes for January 27. Dottie **second. All** were in favor.

DEPARTMENT REPORT:

- Joe Parsons, Recreation Director, updated the Board on some of the activities that had been going on like basketball and dance. He also told them about things that are coming up like skills and drills for basketball, baseball which is through Massabesic Little League, and about trying to start having a time for adults to shoot hoops and play basketball.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Three year contract for plowing, removal, salting, and snowing of town roads, Joanne **motioned** to approve the article. Dottie **second. All** were in favor. Plowing, removal, salting, and sanding of town roads, Joanne **motioned** to recommend \$353,500. Dottie **second. All** were in favor. Grant writing, Joanne **motioned** to recommend \$5400. Dottie **second. All** were in favor. Professional consultant services on town approved projects; Joanne **motioned** to recommend \$5500. Dottie **second. All** were in favor. Professional grant writing services for the water and sewer project on Main Street, Joanne **motioned** to recommend \$4000. Dottie **second. All** were in favor. Downtown Main Street planning and revitalization, Joanne **motioned** to recommend \$6000. Dottie **second. All** were in favor. Capital Project Reserve account, Joanne **motioned** to recommend \$160,000. Dottie **second. All** were in favor. Capital project expenditures for Main Street revitalization for water and sewer, Joanne **motioned** to recommend \$89,385. Dottie **second. All** were in favor. Capital project reserve account for Handicapped revitalization for Handicap parking and sidewalk at the Brick Town Hall, Joanne **motioned** to recommend \$45,890. Dottie **second. All** were in favor. Wendy brought up that \$21,000 had been raised and the bid came in at \$66,890. \$35,000 from capital project reserve for the HVAC, Fire Suppression system and repairs to the vault. Sonny **motioned** to recommend \$35,000. Joanne asked Sonny what Natalie, the town's attorney, had said about going forward with the lawsuit and Sonny said that they will move forward with it but it would not be rapid getting the money back but in Natalie's words it will be a very good case. Joanne asked how long it would take; Sonny said it would probably be next year. Dottie asked how much the cost to the town would be and Sonny told

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her there is no way to know that right now but if the town wins the other party would have to pay the court fees. Sonny revoked his motion. Wendy **motioned** to recommend, shall the town vote to authorize the Selectmen to expend up to \$35,000 out of capital project reserve to purchase a new HVAC system, state required suppression system, remote air quality system, and repairs to the vault behind the Municipal Building. Sonny **second. All** were in favor. Gil made the comment that he is not disputing the amount but he would like for them to look into alternate Fire Suppression systems that will be less money. Sonny said that we could find another contractor to work on the vault and Wendy brought up going and getting bids for it. Judy LePage made a statement on how it has gone on too long and there are two or three of the Board members who are up the contractors butt, she also said that the books are downstairs in the Municipal Building under sprinklers so if something happens and sets them off all of the books from 1800 up to now will be lost. Judy made the statement that the contractor screwed up but does not want to admit it, he said he got a HVAC system from a company like in his proposal but he did not get it there, we do not know where he got it and we do not have anything saying how much he got it for. She also said that state law says every town shall preserve their records and we screwed up when we hired the contractor. The state can also fine the town for not letting her, as Town Clerk, take care of the records, so her job is on the line because of it. Wendy agreed with Judy that there will be ramifications and that something needs to be done about the vault. Joanne brought up that her only concern is that if they get the money to fix it from the town that the Board will not continue to try and get the money back, Sonny said that the only way that would happen is if it gets dropped and why would they do that. Joanne **motioned** to continue with the lawsuit against the contractor. Wendy **second. Sonny, Joanne, and Wendy** were in favor, Gil and Dottie did not vote. Wendy brought up that Tony Carrol had sent something for the hydrant on 160 that had been hit asking for 5,000 from the town to move it to a safer spot and replace the one that had been damaged. Joanne said to leave it where it is but Sonny told her that it keeps getting run over where it is. Tony also asked for a 250,000 loan from the town and Wendy told him, and other Board members agreed that the town is not in the business of loaning money, but they decided to leave it in for the Budget Committee to vote on it. 64 month contract for the copiers, Gil **motioned** to recommend a yes vote. Dottie **second. All** were in favor. Five year contract with Consolidated Communications for phone and internet, Gil **motioned** to recommend a yes vote for what Wendy said. Sonny **second. All** were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The Board discussed the Goriss Electric estimate for changing the lights out back to LED and to put a flood light in the middle to add more light out back. Dottie told the Board when she was asked that Cindy Smith the Librarian had asked for them and Dottie had asked Courtney, the Selectmens Secretary about it and she decided to get a quote because she thought that there was more light needed out back. Dottie **motioned** to approve the estimate for the lighting of the back parking lot pending town meeting budget approval. Wendy **second. All** were in favor.
- Joanne **motioned** to sign the Corrective Deed for Map 41 lot 71-73. Sonny **second. Four** were in favor, Gil did not vote.
- Joanne **motioned** to accept the bid of \$66,890 from Foglio, INC and that we instruct Community Dynamics to do the construction agreement on that project. Wendy **second.**

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Wendy made the comment that \$21,000 had been raised so far. Four were in favor; Sonny did not raise his hand. Joanne brought up for the secretary to send Foglio, INC a letter of acceptance and put in the letter that a construction agreement will follow.

- Dottie brought up Rescue Billing donation accounts to include Fire Department. One of the Board members asked if this included the stipends and they were told that they are. Sonny brought up how much of it would be for Rescue Billing and Dottie told him it would be about 50% would be specifically for rescue. Joanne brought up that it would be for things that were eliminated from their budget. Dottie **motioned** to remove donations from this article on Rescue Billing and create a separate donation account for the Fire/EMS department. Sonny **second. All** were in favor. Rescue Billing account article, Dottie **motioned** to approve the article and we'll create another one that we can vote on next week. Gil **second. All** were in favor.
- Gil brought up article 28 and adding \$250 for the Fixed Asset report by RHR Smith based on the information that had been sent to the Board from the Treasurer. The Board will have to make a list of the assets that have been added from 2018 and 2019. Gil **motioned** to add \$250 to article 28 to bring it to \$63,960. Joanne **second. All** were in favor.
- Dottie brought up the windows at the Brick Town Hall and how they were rattling and letting cold air in and see if Rick could go up and put some weather stripping on it and Sonny said that he would go up and take a look at it.
- The Board discussed a letter that they had gotten from the acting Fire Chief; Dottie **motioned** to appoint Bill Gifford, Ron Smith as Lieutenants, Christina Violette as the Secretary / Treasurer for January 1 to their next meeting in March. Gil **second. All** were in favor.

WARRANT:

- Wendy **motioned** to approve the warrant as written. Dottie **second. All** were in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Wendy read the announcements.

ADJOURN MEETING:

- Wendy **motioned** to adjourn. Joanne **second. All** were in favor.
- The Meeting was adjourned at 8:00PM.

These minutes were approved by the Limerick Board of Selectmen on:

**End of Broadcast**

Respectfully submitted,

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Courtney Davis

**FOR DETAILS OF MEETING**  
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By Gail Libby