

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Meeting Minutes

April 5, 2021

SELECTMEN IN ATTENDANCE:

John M. Medici, Wendy M. Thorne, Heath D. Edgerly, David C. Gibson, Wade E. Andrews

ATTENDEES:

- Joanne Andrews, Dave Candage, DeeDee Tibbetts, Judy LePage, Bill Jones, Steve McLean, Dean LePage, Craig Allen

CALL TO ORDER: Medici opened the meeting with the pledge at 7:00PM.

- Medici brought up concerns from people at home about not being able to follow the meetings because they are going too fast and the Selectmen are talking over each other and allowing too much feedback from the audience.

MINUTES:

- Thorne **motioned** to approve the minutes for March 29. Edgerly **second**.
 - Motion passed 5-0

WARRANT:

- Thorne **motioned** to approve the warrant as written. Edgerly **second**.
 - Motion passed 5-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Thorne read the announcements.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Overlook Camera: No change
- Tree removal rte. 5 intersection: No change
- Update on Public Safety Building Committee: Andrews and Edgerly gave an update on what they had accomplished at their first meeting and that they are looking at the lot across from the Fire Station.
- Update on Fire Chief Hiring Committee: Edgerly and Gibson gave an update on how their first meeting went and how Chief Hooper will be the outside consultant.
- Business park lots update/sale: Medici brought up in the next few weeks they should be getting the survey for the land swap.
- Unlocking/locking gate at Boy Scout Island: There was discussion on advertising about getting someone to come in and do it.

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- Develop committee for conservation easement from article 17: Medici said that they would move forward with this later.
- Review Animal Control Officer contract/compensation: There was discussion on how they are going to pay (stipend or hourly) the person who does this job and what the surrounding towns do to pay the ACO. There was discussion on how the mileage would be paid if it would be recorded or paid as a stipend. Edgerly **motioned** to continue with the stipend as per usual with recorded billable mileage. Thorne **second**. Motion passed 5-0. Andrews brought up the temporary person and how they would pay her and the Board decided to continue on with what they agreed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Approve administrative services and supplies for CDBG grant: There was discussion on there being administrative costs for the Hollandville Water and Sewer project. Thorne **motioned** to expend no more than \$500 in materials and supplies as requested by the CDBG grant requirement. Gibson **second**.
 - Motion passed 4-1 (Edgerly opposed)
- Discuss/approve warrant articles for the June ballot: There was discussion on the timeline of getting the articles done and to the Town Clerk by Friday of this week. The Board discussed article 2 which is to do with a change to the Budget Committee ordinance. Thorne **motioned** to discuss article 2. Edgerly **second**. Thorne **motioned** to approve article 2. Edgerly **second**. Medici asked the Board members their opinions on the article. There was discussion between Dean LePage and the Board on the vote that had been taken for the write-ins for the March election. Judy LePage made a comment about not having an ordinance for the amount of write-ins someone can have in order to get the position and there was discussion on this particular subject and about changing a policy to override an ordinance and how they will run into trouble with that and there was a discussion on the policy and the ordinance. Motion passed 5-0. There was discussion on article 3 for a conservation easement at map 12 lots 4 and 5. Gibson **motioned** to accept article 3 as presented with the change that Wendy's going to make just stating that it is a correction. Edgerly **second**. Motion passed 5-0. Articles 4 and 5 were taken off. Article 6 is for \$20,000 for grant writing services for the Fire Department. Gibson **motioned** to accept article 6. Andrews **second**. There was discussion on having an article that has them transferring money from the \$800,000 already set aside. There was much discussion on the committee and how this article will allow them to have money to spend on anything that they need to do with the property they are discussing and about grants and the timeline that certain grants have. Thorne **motioned** to accept the article to read as to see if the town will vote to expend up to \$10,000 from the capital project Fire Department account for professional consultant and grant writing services for the Limerick Municipal Fire Department. Gibson **second**. Medici brought up also adding and any other expenses approved by the Board of Selectmen and there was discussion about the release of money for the work to be done for the new Fire Station and about the committee bringing to the Board of Selectmen what they want. Motion passed 4-0-

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1 (Edgerly abstained). There is discussion on article 7 which is for the egress for the Brick Town Hall. There is discussion on the meeting with the Fire Marshall about the building and what had to be done and it was decided that Medici would contact Bill Hamilton about the meeting they had. Joanne Andrews made a comment about them looking into it to make it compliant for voting. The Board decided not to put this article on the ballot. There was discussion on article 8 which is the gift of streetlights for the pedestrian path at the Brick Town Hall and there was discussion on what to do about the lights and the options that were given and what prices new ones could be. There was a comment made by a citizen about the certified electrician willing to do the work and put them in for free. Thorne **motioned** to put what is article 8 on the ballot and it will read shall the town vote to accept the gift of four streetlights from S.A. McLean to be installed at the Brick Town Hall handicap pedestrian path in the current base locations and that the accepted light be the square model offered and that that light be put out for display in front of both the Brick Town Hall and the municipal voting for voting purposes. Medici **second**. Motion passed 3-2 (Thorne and Gibson were opposed). There was discussion on article 9 which would be to make Limerick a second amendment sanctuary town and it was decided to have a townsperson take out a petition for it. There was discussion on article 10 which is about allowing retail sales of marijuana. Gibson **motioned** that we put forth article 10. Medici **second**. There was discussion on what the steps would be after this is voted on. Joanne Andrews made a comment about what the Planning Board would have to do with the rules and regulations for this. Motion failed 4-0-1 (Edgerly abstained). Edgerly brought up not having articles on for lots in the business park and the Board and Steve McLean discussed the offer that he had made on lots in the business park. Edgerly **motioned** that we entertain putting Steve's offer for \$35,000 for lot 5 and 7 on the June ballot. Gibson **second**. Medici recused himself. Thorne **motioned** to put on the ballot shall the town vote to sell to S.A. McLean lots 5 and 7 pending the map number located in Limerick Business Park for the sum of \$35,000. Edgerly **second**. Thorne **motioned** to amend the article to say lots 5 and 7 more particularly described as tax map number, lots. Edgerly **second**. Gail Libby made a comment about the covenants of the Business Park. Motion fails 2-2-1 (Gibson and Andrews were opposed, Medici abstained). Craig Allen made a comment about them turning down money for the lots.

- Open bids for septic tank install at Transfer Station: There was discussion on what Ken Gardner had said about the bed layout. Medici read the bids, 1) Scott Parody from Limerick, ME (\$4,000), 2) R.C Richardson Jr from Limerick, ME (\$8,050), Richardson Trucking and Excavation from Limerick (the town will pay for the materials and the labor will be of no cost to the town). The Board discussed not knowing the price of the materials and Joanne Andrews made the comment about contacting the contractor and getting the prices from him. The Board decided to table this till the next week and ask for Steve to give them an estimate of what the materials would be.
- Edgerly brought up the band stand issue that they are dealing with and they decided to put it on the agenda.

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- Edgerly brought up to the Board about going to look at a tree that is close to the Fire Station and about taking it down.
- Edgerly brought up the job descriptions for the Fire Department and if Medici can contact him and have the Fire Chief send them to the secretary and about safety issues with the Fire Department.
- Thorne brought up the articles and only had one that needs a recommendation from the Budget Committee.
- Edgerly asked about when the ice skating rink outhouse will be pulled.

ADJOURN MEETING:

- Thorne **motioned** to adjourn. Gibson **second**.
 - Motion passed 5-0.
- The Meeting was adjourned at 10:00PM.

These minutes were approved by the Limerick Board of Selectmen on: April 12, 2021

End of Broadcast

Respectfully submitted,

Courtney Davis

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Under Brick Town Hall
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By Gail Libby