

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING
August 10, 2020**

Present (remotely): Chair, Ladleah Dunn, Vice-Chair, Keryn Laite, Jr., David Barrows, Josh Gerritsen, Mike Ray, and Finance Director, Kayla Lacombe

Chair Dunn read the opening of the agenda regarding the provision for remote meetings during the current state of emergency, including how the public could view and participate in the meeting and that all votes taken during the public proceeding would be taken by roll call.

The quote provided by Selectman Gerritsen.

1. Citizens' Forum:

There were none.

2. Administrator's Report:

There were none.

3. Meetings & Announcements:

Finance Director, Lacombe read the upcoming meetings and announcements.

4. Upcoming Community Events

There were none.

5. Meeting Minutes:

Laite made a motion, second by Gerritsen, that the Board approve the July 27, 2020 meeting minutes with changes to line 58, 89 & 145. Vote: Barrows – Yes, Gerritsen – Yes, Laite – Yes, Ray – Yes, Dunn – Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

6. Board, Committee, and Commission Appointment(s):

The Board thanked both Vermeulen and Eudy for volunteering to serve on the Planning Board.

Laite made a motion, second by Gerritsen, that the Board appoint Dick Vermeulen and Elizabeth Eudy to the Planning Board with a term expiring in June 2023. Vote: Barrows – Yes, Laite – Yes, Ray – Yes, Gerritsen – Yes, Dunn – Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

7. **Performance of Town Administrator – Walter Lamont, Sr.:**

Lincolntonville resident, Walter Lamont, Sr. called the Board members during their Zoom meeting to discuss his concerns with the performance of the Town Administrator.

No action was taken at this time.

Dunn thanked Lamont for reaching out to the Select Board and she recommended having a future Board meeting to discuss creating a new way to reach out to our vendors.

8. **Selectmen Update(s):**

Barrows announced that the MCSWC Board of Directors had a productive meeting and everything went very well and they were able to elect officers.

Barrows & Laite noted that there will be a road trip on August 17th to Norrignwalk to tour the landfill which is where the MCSWC will be tentatively taking trash to come April 2021, since our EcoMaine contract will expire.

Gerritsen stated that the Broadband Committee met two weeks ago, which he was not able to attend, but noted that Ray was in attendance.

Gerritsen did note that the survey is going well with approximately 99 responses, so far.

Gerritsen reached out to the Town Administrator, Kinney and asked to put a link on the Town of Lincolntonville's website, to help increase the number of responses.

Ray updated the Board on the Broadband Committee explained that the charge has the committee looking at existing statues, contracts and ordinances that Lincolntonville has. He explained that George Cook is now looking into those ordinances and he found that the franchise agreement that the Town of Lincolntonville has with Lincolntonville Communications, Inc. has expired by a few years.

Dunn had nothing to share.

9. **As Board of Assessors:**

- **Abatement Request #2019-07:**

Barrows made a motion that we suspend our meeting as the Board of Selectmen and that we convene as the Board of Assessors. Gerritsen seconded the motion. Vote: Barrows – Yes, Laite – Yes, Ray – Yes, Gerritsen – Yes, Dunn – Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Assessors' Agent, Vern Ziegler present to give the Board a brief explanation regarding the abatement request.

Laité made a motion, seconded by Barrows that the Board grant abatement #2019-07 to Richard Pennell in the tax amount of \$375.76 to correct an error in the building assessment. Vote: Barrows – Yes, Laité – Yes, Ray – Yes, Gerritsen – Yes, Dunn – Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board thanked Zigler for his work on the abatement request.

- Property Tax Commitment:

Assessors' Agent, Vern Ziegler, gave a brief presentation to the Board regarding property tax commitment process.

Gerritsen made a motion, seconded by Laité that the Board of Assessors approve and sign the Assessors' Certification of Assessment, the 2020 Municipal Tax Assessment to be Returned to Municipal Treasurer as prepared by the Assessors' Agent establishing the tax rate for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 at 0.0154 mils on the dollar and the due dates of October 7, 2020 and April 7, 2021 with interest at 8 percent per annum to be paid on any unpaid portion commencing on October 8, 2020 and April 8, 2021. Vote: Barrows – Yes, Laité – Yes, Ray – Yes, Gerritsen – Yes, Dunn – Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Laité made a motion, seconded by Barrows that the Board adjourn our meeting as the Board of Assessors and reconvene as the Board of Selectmen. Vote: Barrows – Yes, Laité – Yes, Gerritsen – Yes, Ray – Yes, Dunn – Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

10. Treasurer's and Payroll Warrant(s) – Approve & Sign:

Laité made a motion, approved by Barrows to approve the Treasurer's and Payroll Warrants. Vote: Barrows – Yes, Gerritsen – Yes, Laité – Yes, Ray – Yes, Dunn – Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

11. Adjourn:

Ray made a motion to adjourn. Barrows seconded the motion. Vote: Barrows – Yes, Gerritsen – Yes, Laité – Yes, Ray – Yes, Dunn – Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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