

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
January 27, 2020**

**Present:** Chair, Ladleah Dunn, Vice-Chair, Keryn Laite, Jr., David Barrows, Jon Fishman, Josh Gerritsen, and Town Administrator, David Kinney

The quote was read by Selectman Barrows.

**1. Citizens' Forum:**

Lincolntonville resident, Greta Gulezian, thanked the Select Board for their previous support which was given to community efforts for energy conservation and bringing renewable and sustainable energy to the town.

Gulezian read a letter to the Select Board expressing her interest in promoting public health and protecting the environment by joining the solar farm in Livermore Falls, Maine, which could provide electricity to the Lincolntonville Central School.

In Gulezian's letter, she confirmed that the Camden Hills Regional High School and SAD 28 recently accepted the Power Purchase Agreement, to provide electricity to their schools.

Gulezian also noted that the Town of Lincolntonville, with this same PPA, could save between \$150,000 and \$220,000, over the 20 year contract, with no upfront investments.

Gulezian finished by stating, "I sincerely believe this PPA proposal is worthy of a community wide discussion and Lincolntonville residents need, deserve and are requesting more information about this specific opportunity for solar at the Lincolntonville Central School. The better informed our citizens are, the stronger our community is and my hope is that all Lincolntonville residents are able to come together in a Town Meeting, where we can become informed, discuss the pros and cons, evaluate whether this specific proposal meets our communities' needs and values and then vote.

Gulezian thanked the Board for their attention & time.

## 2. Administrator's Report:

- Gravel Roads: There have been a few challenges with the gravel roads due to the warmer temperatures and it is likely that there may be a request on the next agenda to for authority to post the roads.
- Dog Licenses: Please register your dogs by the end of January to avoid a late fee of \$25.00 per dog. The public can license their dog at the Town Office during regular business hours or online through the Town's web site until the end of January. The State of Maine mandated late fee will go into effect on February 1<sup>st</sup> and online registration expires at the same time.
- Error in Agenda: Kinney noted that the agenda contained a typographical error on agenda item #11. Within agenda item #11 it refers to agenda item #9 which should be agenda item #10. Kinney apologized for the error.

## 3. Meetings & Announcements:

Town Administrator, Kinney read the upcoming meetings.

## 4. Upcoming Community Events:

Greta Gulezian, a Lincolnville resident, announced that a group of Lincolnville citizens are currently working to hold a public information meeting to discuss the proposal that was submitted to the Lincolnville School Committee. Once this information is determined, it will be posted on the Lincolnville Bulletin Board.

Gulezian announced that there is Pickleball at the Lincolnville Central School on Saturday mornings from 9-11am.

## 5. Meeting Minutes:

**Laite made a motion that the Board approves the January 13, 2020 meetings as presented. Barrows seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 5-0-0 vote.**

## 6. Consideration of Appointment(s) – Broadband Committee:

**Laite made a motion that David Perkins, Jordan Barnett-Parker, Dorothy Havey, Jonathan Janaitis, Becky Johnson, George Cook, Kim Grinnell, Mike Ray and Gina**

Sawyer be appointed to the Broadband Committee with a term ending in June 2020. Gerritsen seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 5-0-0 vote.

Laite made a motion that Josh Gerritsen and Jon Fishman be appointed to the Broadband Committee as the Board of Selectmen representatives with a term ending in June 2020. Barrows seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 5-0-2 vote (Gerritsen and Fishman abstained).

7. **Committee Chair and Department Head Update(s):**

- **Finance Advisory Committee:**

Linwood Downs, Chair of the Financial Advisory Committee, gave his presentation to the Board concerning the performance of the Town of Lincolnville's investment accounts for the previous year.

The charge of the Financial Advisory Committee initially was to come up with a policy for reserve levels for the town and the budget for the overall assets and balance sheet and recommend how to invest the Town's reserve funds.

Downs noted that the Town's investment manager is First Advisors, and they continue to deliver a solid performance through all market environments. The return last year exceeded 9%.

Downs felt that the Town of Lincolnville is in a great place from a reserve perspective.

The Board thanked Downs for his thorough report.

- **Wage & Personnel Policy Board:**

Stacy Parra, Chair of the Wage & Personnel Policy Board, reported that after the Wage & Personnel Policy Board reviewed the finance director's job description and pay scale, the Committee felt that no changes needed to be made to either the job description or the pay scale. The Committee found the pay scale to be accurate as well as the job description.

The Board thanked Stacy Parra for her report.

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

There were none.

9. Review Draft Charge for Lincolnville Veterans Honor Roll Committee:

Barrows made a motion that the Lincolnville Veterans Honor Roll Committee charge dated January 27, 2020 be approved. Gerritsen seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 5-0-0 vote.

10. Executive Session pursuant to Title 1 MRSA Section 405(6)(C) to discuss the possible disposition of real property where premature disclosure of the information would prejudice the competitive bargaining position of the Town:

Laite made a motion that pursuant to Title 1 MRSA Section 405(6)(C) that the Board of Selectman enter into executive session to discuss the possible disposition of real property where premature disclosure of the information would prejudice the competitive bargaining position of the Town. Barrows seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 5-0-0 vote.

11. Return to Public Session for Possible Board Action Concerning Agenda Item 9:

Laite made a motion that the Board offer to the Lincolnville Improvement Association and/or the Lincolnville Historical Society the ability to have an article on the June 2020 Town Meeting Warrant to gift the LIA Building and property to either or both groups with the provision that the building be made structurally sufficient within one year of the vote of approval of the transfer. Barrows seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 5-0-0 vote.

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

Laite made a motion to approve the Treasurer's and Payroll Warrants. Gerritsen seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 5-0-0 vote.

13. Executive Session – Annual Performance Evaluation of Town Administrator – Title 1 MRSA Section 405(6)(A):

Gerritsen made a motion that the Board of Selectmen enter into executive session for purpose of conducting the Annual Performance Evaluation of the Town Administrator pursuant to Title 1 MRSA Section 405 (6)(A). Barrows seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 5-0-0 vote.

14. **Adjourn:**

Upon returning to open session, **Gerritsen made a motion to adjourn. Barrows seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 5-0-0 vote.**

Respectfully submitted,

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