

**TOWN OF LEMPSTER
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Approved Minutes
November 10, 2020

PRESENT: Chairman Phil Tirrell, Selectman Everett Thurber, Selectman Mary Grenier and Ingrid Bjork, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT: Dave Richards, Sharon Wallace, Al McNeill, James Beard, Carol Stamatakis, Pat McCabe, Mick Kostovic, James Beard, Ms. Linn, Eckhard Straeter, Karen Flynn and others.

Chairman Tirrell called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Agenda Item 1: Payroll and Accounts Payable

The Selectmen reviewed and approved the payroll and accounts payable manifest.

**Agenda Item 2: Minutes of Past Meetings
Selectmen's Meeting October 27, 2020**

The Selectmen reviewed the draft minutes of the Selectmen's meeting held on October 27, 2020. Selectman Grenier made a motion to accept the minutes of the Selectmen's meeting held on October 27, 2020 as presented. Selectman Thurber seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Agenda Item 3: Old Business

Richardson Brook Dry Hydrant – Wetlands Permit received and signed by Chairman Tirrell. The Selectmen approved payment of William Evans P.E. invoice for \$3,525.50.

Long Pond Turn-Around – No update.

Work Session - Chairman Tirrell confirmed the work session with the Town Clerk/Tax Collector on November 18th at 9:00 AM.

Agenda Item 4: New Business

Trucks – Sealed bids - The Town of Lempster received the following bids:

1994 International \$3,250 GM Trucking

1996 Mack \$6,750 GM Trucking

One offer came in unsealed. \$13,910 for both trucks, no breakdown. Ray Minimum bid was not met. Selectman Grenier made a motion to put the trucks back out for bid for 30 days. Chairman Tirrell seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Proposed Budgets for 2021

Library – \$19,000 level funded

Cemetery - \$8,500 level funded

Supervisors of the Checklist - \$5000 down \$5,275 due to less elections in 2021

Conservation Commission – \$5,100 level funded

Mr. Beard discussed repairs needed to the ceiling in the Library. The Library Trustees have an estimate from Greg Lynch for \$2,000 – \$5,400. Mr. Beard would like the Selectmen to look at the ceiling and allow the repairs using money from the Town Building capital reserve. Mr. Beard also said that he is working on the annual monitoring report for LCHIP.

Chairman Tirrell said that the Selectmen would like to meet with the Cemetery Trustees at their December meeting to discuss their CIP.

Selectman Grenier said that she would like the Supervisors of the Checklist to round up their budget from \$4,575 to \$5,000 in case there are additional expenses due to covid-19.

Highway Department – Mr. Simino was not available this evening.

Public Participation

Karen Flynn of Allen Road discussed the high speed of traffic on Allen Rd. Residents of Allen Rd. sent a letter to the Sheriff's Department and sent a copy to the Selectmen. The Sheriff's Department has increased patrol of the area but can't be there all the time. They would like to see if the Selectmen can lower the speed limit on the road. Ms. McCabe asked if the Sheriff could look into the speeding on Lempster Street also. Chairman Tirrell said he will speak with the Sheriff. Mr. McNeil said that people are speeding on 2nd NH Turnpike also and often go through the stop sign where 2nd NH Turnpike meets Route 10. The State DOT may have a sign that flashes a warning and speed limit that we could use on 2nd NH Turnpike.

Dave Richards said that although the burn ban had been lifted he would like the Transfer Station to call him for permission for burning not just SW Mutual Aid. Chairman Tirell said that he would speak with Mr. Jennison.

Mr. McNeill asked if they could open the second bay at the Transfer Station. Ms. Bjork said that she believed it was closed due to the increased cases of COVID 19 and limiting exposure to the employees. Chairman Tirrell said he will discuss it with Mr. Simino.

Administration and Correspondence

- UVLSRPC 2021 Household Hazardous Waste Collection planning services agreement approved by the Selectmen. Signed by Chairman Tirrell.
- 902 Route 10 property deed and HUD statement signed by Chairman Tirrell.
- Wetlands permit 2020-02790 Richardson Brook Pond received and signed by Chairman Tirrell

Miscellaneous

The Selectmen discussed future Selectmen's meetings with the increase of COVID-19 cases. Selectman Grenier said that she does not like ZOOM meetings. Mr. Richards recommended using Cisco Webex instead of Zoom if meetings go virtual. Chairman Tirell recommended one meeting per month at the meeting house and one work session at the town office. The Selectmen agreed to discuss this at their next meeting.

Selectman Thurber made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 PM. Selectman Grenier seconded the motion. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Ingrid Bjork
Administrative Assistant