

**TOWN OF LEMPSTER  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
Approved Meeting Minutes  
May 11, 2021**

**Board Present:** Chairman Phil Tirrell, Selectman Mary Grenier and Selectman Everett Thurber  
Administrative Assistants Ingrid Bjork and Robin Cantara

**Others Present:** Chief Deputy Jaime Wilson, Carolyn Kapchensky, Traci Homol, Town Clerk/Tax Collector Linda Callahan, Highway Supervisor Daryl Simino, Conservation Commission Ivan Wallace, Old Home Day Committee and Supervisor of the Checklist Sharron Wallace, Kyle Welch, Jim Grenier, Planning Board and Fire Warden David Richards and Highway Department Scott Goodspeed.

Phil called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM.

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

April 28, 2021 Minutes reviewed; Everett moved to accept minutes, seconded by Mary; all in favor, motion passed.

**Highway Department-**

**Lovejoy Road:**

Highway Supervisor Daryl Simino updated the Board on progress made; cleanup is underway with debris removal, pulling of stumps and drainage work.

**Mill Road Bridge:**

Daryl reported a quote was received from Daniels Construction, United is not interested and he is waiting on a quote from Josh Stevens. Ingrid has advertised in the Eagle Times and on the town website; notices were posted at the Town Office and Library with a deadline of May 25, 2021 to accept bids.

**No Parking Ordinance:**

Scott Goodspeed would like to see a revision to the current parking ordinance.

**Town Meeting-**

Based on a resident's concerns over the Board postponing the 2021 Town Election, Phil mentioned on a quick internet search he found 21 towns that had postponed or had mixed town meeting/voting due to Covid.

### **Jim Grenier-**

Jim spoke on his involvement and the status of HB64. The bill has passed both the House and Senate. Passage of the Bill takes effect on July 1<sup>st</sup>, if Governor Sununu signs it into law.

Jim prepared a draft letter requesting the Board send it to DRA. The letter encourages DRA to include the equalized value of the Lempster wind farm in the State Education Tax Warrant for 2021. Jim would also like Senator Ruth Ward and Representatives Steve Smith and Judy Aron be cc'd.

Mary motioned to send the letter to DRA, seconded by Everett; all in favor, motion passed.

### **Sheriff's Department-**

Chief Deputy Wilson housekeeping items:  
Discussed Town Meeting, Old Home Days and Long Pond coverages.  
2021 Contract presented for the Board's review; no action taken.  
New format of the monthly police log presented.  
Town Ordinances' scheduled to review with the Board on Wednesday May 26<sup>th</sup>.  
Will contact Fish and Game requesting sign for Long Pond posting.

### **Other Departments/Committees-**

#### **Fire Department:**

No report.

#### **Old Home Day Committee:**

Sharron Wallace provided an update to the activities scheduled. There will be a parade, vendors, food trucks, a Friday night dance and a welcome to Lempster booth where pamphlets and gifts will be distributed along with items for sale.

Pat McCabe is encouraging the school children to participate in the festivities.

#### **Town Clerk/Tax Collector-**

Linda would like to reopen (unlock) the Town Office, masks would still be required and a maximum of 2 in the waiting area; the Board unanimously approved her request.

## **Public Participation-**

### **Kyle Welch-**

Kyle was wondering if the Board plans on moving back to two evening meetings; Phil responded not at this time.

Kyle asked about the sale of town owned properties. Everett explained a realtor is contacted for a value and depending upon the property the Board utilizes different procedures and protocols to decide the best options for disposing of the property. i.e. Condition of the property, cleanup costs or liability to the town.

Specific properties discussed:

18 Long Pond Road – Advertised for 30 days, sold by sealed bid; 3 bids received.

902 Route 10 – sits on a brownfield (contaminated) and deeded several times without collecting any property taxes. The Board worked with several people before selling the property.

### **Carolyn Kapchensky-**

Asked about grant monies received in 2020.

Minutes of the Fire Department and Budget Meeting on the website; Phil responded Edie is working on getting items online.

### **Traci Homol-**

Traci discussed the ongoing Onnela/Town of Lempster dispute and Class VI roads. Phil explained that Class VI roads are subject to gates and bars, but they cannot be locked as they are a public way.

## **Administration and Correspondence-**

- Intent to cut Map/Lot 216-007; signed by the Board.
- Yield Tax Warrant 2020/2021; signed by the Board.
- 2021 July Property Tax Warrant; signed by the Board.
- Elderly and Veterans Tax Credit; signed by the Board.
- Letter regarding Transfer Station Violation; signed by the Board.
- Aries Landfill sampling; signed by the Board.
- Letter of concern from Susan Lichty
- Nickerson concern regarding possible “junkyard”

Phil made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 PM; seconded by Mary, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Cantara  
Administrative Assistant