

Lebanon, Maine Select Board
Town Office Conference Room
Minutes –Meeting
Thursday, May 20, 2021

Members Present

Charles Russell, Jr. – Chairman
Paul Philbrick – Vice Chair
Ernest Lizotte, Jr. – Selectman
Corinna Cole – Selectman **EXCUSED**
Jeffrey Adams – Selectman

Others Present

James Duprie
Bethany Patstone
Randy Oakley
Deborah Wilson

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5:35 Pledge of Allegiance

5:36 Randy Oakley addressed the BOS about the 4x4 event on Memorial Day weekend. They have everything they need except for the State Fire Marshall inspection – that will happen next week. The BOS signed the Mass Gathering Application.

5:43 Selectman Adams motioned to accept minutes of 5-13-2021 as written. Selectmen Lizotte seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. (Selectman Cole absent)

5:42 Paper work signed – Time off requests, training request, Memo for Fire Department Pay Scale changes, Appointment of Roger Neault as Leader at Transfer Station, Appointment of Laura Bragg as Alternate member of the Planning Board through June 30, 2021.

5:50 Old Business – complete list reviewed.

5:54 Individual Selectmen Issues – Selectman Adams would like some signs to get people to slow down near the STS Field. Selectman Lizotte discussed issues and complaints about the ATV's on Emery Mills & Bakers Grant. Chairman Russell motioned to grant permission for the ATVs to ride from the power lines (near 127) Emery Mills Road to Baker Grant to power lines at Potters Campground to Cemetery Road effective 5/15/2021 until 28 days from today (June 19th 2021). Selectman Adams seconded. Vote taken - 3 in favor (Russell, Adams, Philbrick) - 1 against (Lizotte). (Selectman Cole absent). Vice Chair Philbrick discussed the Planning Board needing to meet with the BOS and Fire Chief about Fire Suppression. The BOS would like to do this at the next meeting, 5-27-2021. Lynne Davis will reach out to Chief and Planning Board to confirm. Vice Chair Philbrick advised the BOS that the cleaning contract is up for renewal. The contract has the option to extend. Vice Chair Philbrick motioned to extend the cleaning contract for another year. Chair Russell seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. (Selectman Cole absent). Vice Chair Philbrick advised the BOS that this year's ratio has fallen to 85%. This has an impact on how the Town can tax CMP and others. This will be a substantial loss. Vice Chair Philbrick shared a letter from O'Donnell & Associate regarding the Contract. The BOS will discuss this at next BOS meeting. Vice Chair Philbrick advised Selectman Adams that a CMP bill came to the town office for Babe Ruth. This mail shouldn't be coming to the Town office – Selectman Adams will correct the address. Vice Chair Philbrick has concerns about the STS field having restrictions on it for Babe Ruth as this is Town Property. There are questions as to what authority the BOS has without a vote of the people. Lynne Davis to reach out to MMA for legal opinion. The BOS discussed 3 quotes for mosquito and tick spraying at the Town Office. The BOS decided to have Selectman Lizotte do the spraying.

6:50 Good of the Town – Babe Ruth thanks all the volunteers that have been helping with the field. Deborah Wilson thanks Chris Stokes for the sizable donations to the Legion & Babe Ruth. There was discussion about the Governor removing the mask mandate and how the Town Office would handle this. Chair Russell's motioned that wearing masks are by personal choice of the employees. Selectman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. (Selectman Cole absent). If an employee is not comfortable meeting with a customer without the mask – the employee has the right to ask them to wear one. If the customer doesn't want to, then business would be done over the phone. (employee's have the right to not meet with them without the mask)

7:13 Chair Russell motioned to enter into Executive Session for Personnel Matters pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405 (6)(A). Selectman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. (Selectman Cole absent)

7:45 Chair Russell motioned to adjourn. Selectman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. (Selectman Cole absent)