

**Lebanon, Maine Select Board
Town Office Conference Room
Minutes –Meeting
August 26, 2021**

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Members Present

Charles Russell, Jr. – Chairman
Paul Philbrick – Vice Chair
Ernest Lizotte, Jr. – Selectman EXCUSED
Jeffrey Adams – Selectman
James DuPrie – Selectman

Others Present

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| Matthew Leggett | Gerard Lanoie |
| John Bozak | Becky Batchelder |
| Michael Walsworth | Andrew LePage |
| Brian Jancosko | Chris Gilpatrick |
| Mr. Nugent | Deborah Wilson |

For complete meeting minutes please view the meeting in full at <https://www.youtube.com/c/TownofLebanon>

5:32 Pledge of Allegiance

Public Participate – Matt Leggett requested time limits for public participation speakers. Mr. Leggett expressed concern and need for action for individuals who serve on a board and are “suing” the Town. Deborah Wilson discussed Ethics Complaint & Budget Committee requalification. Ms. Wilson stated that Paul Philbrick doesn’t have knowledge of social media posts. Chris Gilpatrick discussed social media issues. Michael Walsworth submitted a written Ethics Complaint, stated his apology for previous actions and expressed a deep concern for a recent social media post by Matt Leggett and Deborah Wilson. Mr. Walsworth asked for action on previous requests for Drummond & Wilson legal opinions, severability and special elections. Mr. Walsworth discussed the removal of a resident at the August 23, 2021 Board of Selectmen meeting. Mr. Walsworth requested information about the Marijuana Enforcement Officer positions – hired or appointed. Mr. Walsworth requested information about the lack of appointments for the Planning Board and expressed concern about the Executive Session held on August 16, 2021. Paul Watkins questioned the BOS about his prior submitted complaints and the effect they had on his Planning Board appointment. Steve Nugent presented a list of questions to the BOS – specifically for Selectman DuPrie and Chair Russell. (ATTACHED)

Paperwork – Selectman DuPrie motioned to accept the Minutes of August 19, 2021 as submitted. Chairman Russell seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. (Selectman Adams abstained) Selectman DuPrie motioned to accept the Minutes of August 23, 2021 as submitted. Chair Russell seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. (Selectman Adams abstained). Paperwork signed – time off, training and development class and ACO Appointment.

Agenda – John Bozak, Chairman of the Conservation Commission, requested to be placed on the Agenda for September 16, 2021. Mr. Bozak stated that the Conservation Commission is reviewing the town owned properties for potential conservation land. Gerald Lanoie of the Conservation Commission spoke on the status of Hebo-Hybo easement. Discussion was held on the availability of the key for the town forest. Request was made for the town attorney to review the Hebo-Hybo easement for interpretation. Matt Leggett stated money could be made available to make road improvements to the easement. Chair Russell stated money is needed to maintain the easement. Planning Board Chair Andy LePage discussed the marijuana site plan review concerns. There was discussion of membership needs.

Old Business – Removed timber value from the list. Follow up on the fire station roofing. Discussion by Selectmen DuPrie on solar fees – using handouts. Remove EMS from the list.

Selectmen Issues - Selectman Adams polled the public for time spent on the Budget Committee and if they are on other Boards. Chair Russell made a Motion to accept Remote Participation. Selectman DuPrie seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. The BOS signed a policy on this subject. Vice Chair Philbrick distributed the Warrant and Notice of Election to call Maine School Administrative District 60 Referendum for BOS signature. Vice Chair Philbrick motioned to appoint Michael Walsworth to the Planning Board. No second. Chair Russell motioned to appoint Sarah O'Brien to the Planning Board. No second. No action taken on the Alternate Planning Board member, since there is no opening at this time.

7:42 Selectman DuPrie motioned to go into Executive Session for Personnel Matters pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(A). Chair Russell seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

9:40 Vice Chair Philbrick motioned to adjourn. Chair Russell seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.