

**Lebanon, Maine Select Board
Minutes – Regular Meeting
Wednesday March 8th, 2017**

Members Present

R. Heath
P. Nadeau

Others Present

Ben Thompson – Resident
Dana Coull - Tax Payer
Deborah Wilson – Resident
Courtney Smith – Resident
Matt Cerilton – Resident
Corinna Cole - Resident

Selectman Heath ran the meeting in the absence of Chairwoman Torno. Selectman Heath started the meeting.

Courtney Smith – Ms. Smith came to the Town Office on Friday March 3rd to pay her real estate taxes. The property was listed as a foreclosure and payment was not accepted by the front office. Ms. Smith owns the property outright. It was a previous foreclosure which she purchased two years ago. Selectman Heath stated that per the tax bill, the total taxes for the year are \$207.00. Selectman Heath refigured the value of the property which changed the tax amount per year to \$152.40. Selectman Heath told Ms. Smith that she could pay the taxes owed tomorrow when the office is open.

Deborah Wilson asked if this transaction was an abatement. Selectman Heath will look into this tomorrow.

Paperwork/Discussion-

The following paperwork was presented to the Select Board for discussion:

Andrea from the Agency on the Aging had contacted the office in regards to a resident who was in need of services. She was inquiring as to what remained in the budget for these types of services. Selectman Heath stated that the voters have to vote on donations to agencies. This may fall under the needy fund. The information will be forwarded to Paul Philbrick who is serving as the General Assistance Interim.

Ben Thompson asked the Board if the resigned Selectman position would be placed on the May ballot. Both Selectman Heath and Selectman Nadeau felt that the remaining 2 year appointment should be on the May ballot. Selectman Heath made the motion to place the 2 year Selectman appointment on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken and carried.

A Chairman of the Board needed to be voted on. Selectman Nadeau made the motion to nominate Selectman Heath as the Select Board Chairman. Selectman Heath seconded it. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath asked for Mr. Thompson who was attending the Budget Committee meeting in the conference room. Chairman Heath asked Mr. Thompson's opinion on how to handle the process of a foreclosure.

April 30th will be the last date payments may be accepted. An auction will take place on June 30th, 2017. Once a bid is accepted, the full payment of the accepted bid must be paid in full in the form of a bank check. Mr. Coull inquired about previous agreements made with taxpayers with Chair Torno and the treasurer. All balances need to be paid by the April 30th date.

Chairman Heath will speak with Mr. Thompson later concerning the change which was made with Ms. Smith on the valuation/tax amount earlier this evening.

Corinna Cole asked to address the Select Board in reference placing a Town Manager on the May ballot. With the deadline quickly approaching the amount of signatures needed may not be collected in time. Ms. Cole is asking the Select Board to override the requirement for a signed petition. Selectman Nadeau that although he agrees with the Town Manager/Administrator position, that it should not be on the May vote. There is \$40,000.00 on the ballot for an assessor; this is not the time to place this on the ballot this May. Ms. Cole added that things are falling through the cracks and that the Town is in desperate need for such a position now. It was reiterated that there is too much going on at this time to place this on the ballot for this May.

Chairman Heath made the motion at 7:00 pm to move the Select Board meeting to the conference room with the Budget committee for the Select Board to vote on so that the information can be given to the Town Clerk for the ballot.

The Budget Committee presented the Select Board the budgets to date that they have agreed upon. Chairman Heath and Selectman Nadeau reviewed the information provided.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$418,957.00 to be raised and appropriated for General Government to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 21,730.00 to be raised and appropriated for Animal Control to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 48,000.00 to be raised and appropriated for legal fees to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 7,000.00 to be raised and appropriated for Mapping to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 57,262 to be raised and appropriated for Dispatch services to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$189,253.00 to be raised and appropriated for Town Insurances to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 50,000.00 to be raised and appropriated for the Contingency Fund to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 12,184.00 to be raised and appropriated for the Planning Board to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 22,199.00 to be raised and appropriated for the Central Maine Power No Spray Agreement to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 47,628.00 to be raised and appropriated for Code Enforcement to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 750.00 to be raised and appropriated for the Budget Committee to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 500.00 to be raised and appropriated for the Conservation Committee to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 500.00 to be raised and appropriated for the Appeals Board to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 3,318.00 to be raised and appropriated for the Recreation Department to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$389,106.00 to be raised and appropriated for the Transfer Station to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$687,565.00 to be raised and appropriated for the Highway Department to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 1,680.00 to be raised and appropriated for Hydrants to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$451,930.00 to be raised and appropriated for the Fire/Ems Department to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 18,385.00 to be raised and appropriated for the Martha Sawyer Community Library to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 18,100.00 to be raised and appropriated for General Assistance to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Chairman Heath made the motion to approve the following amounts which total \$ 13,064.00 for the following agencies to be raised and appropriated to be placed on the May ballot:

York County Community Action	\$ 4,005.00
Caring Unlimited	\$ 1,809.00
Southern Maine Agency on the Aging	\$ 1,500.00
Y.M.C.A.	\$ ----

American Red Cross	\$ 250.00
Kids Free to Grow	\$ 250.00
York County Shelter Programs	\$ 1,500.00
Lebanon Community Learning Center	\$ 300.00
Counseling Services, Inc.	\$ 2,450.00
Parent Resource Center	\$ ----
Life Flight	\$ 500.00
Southern Maine Memorial Veterans Cemetery	\$ 500.00
Senior Lunches	\$ ----

Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Selectman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 50,000.00 for the upkeep of Cemeteries to be raised and appropriated to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Selectman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 1,500.00 for the Lebanon Festival Committee to be raised and appropriated to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Selectman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 6,600.00 for NAIAD to be raised and appropriated to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

Selectman Heath made the motion to approve the amount of \$ 1,500.00 for the Historical Society for the 250th Anniversary of Lebanon event to be raised and appropriated to be placed on the May ballot. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The vote was taken. The vote carried.

The Capital Improvement Program accounts will be revisited.

Chairman Heath made the motion to adjourn the Select Board meeting. Selectman Nadeau seconded the motion. The meeting was closed at 9:08 pm.