# Lebanon, Maine SELECT BOARD MEETING Town Office Conference Room Minutes – Meeting

Thursday, March 14, 2024

Paul Philbrick – Chairman Shelli Boucher – Selectwoman Michael Walsworth - Vice Chair Richard Harlow III – Selectman Kevin Edwards – Selectman

Lindi Glidden Thomas Place

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

6:00 Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call – all present

Selectman Edwards discussed the Fire Department. The crossband is built and finished for car 1. The AFG Grant has been submitted to FEMA. The SAFER grant is for payment full time employees – the Fire Dept. will submit for 3 people. The Fire Department is still working on checking the dry fire hydrants for any that may not be operational.

Public Participation -Ms. Glidden discussed her Food Truck and requested to have it at the park & Ride on 202. She has another spot if needed, but prefers the Park & Ride. The board discussed this and potential issues that could arise as they have no policy on this. The Board rejected the request and will work on a policy for this matter.

6:27 The board discussed the ballot. They need to review and approve the warrant articles.

Public Participation – Thomas Place discussed the Budget Committee and the unprofessional behavior they exhibited at the last meeting. Mr. Place thanked the Board for the job they do.

Selectman Edwards asked the public to consider running for office if they are not happy with the way things are. The Town will vote in June for 3 open seats on the Budget Committee and 2 open seats for the Select Board. Vice Chair Walsworth apologized to the Town employees as they were caught in the crosshairs by the Budget Committee.

Continuation of Referendums.

6:58 Vice Chair Walsworth motioned to enter into Personnel Matters pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405 (6) (A) – Animal Control. Vote taken 5-0.

7:40 PM Vice Chair Walworth motioned to exit executive session. Seconded by Selectman Edwards. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Resumed review/discussion/modifications of 2024 referendum questions for June ballot.

## 9:26 PM INDIVIDUAL SELECTMEN ISSUES:

- 1. Selectman Edwards Requested Select Board input in regards to having Chief Stefano apply for a SAFER Grant for additional Fire Department personnel.
- 2. Selectwoman Boucher- Announced upcoming Parks and Rec committee events.

  Announced clean-up days for Little League and Babe Ruth fields. Informed the Board that membership in the Parks and Recs committee has increased.
- 3. Selectman Harlow- Updated the Board on town office security and camera quotes. American Security: \$6,790 (\$1,970 without cameras) parts and installation, \$51.00 for monthly monitoring fee. ADT: \$13,103 parts and installation, \$151.00 for monthly monitoring fee. Select Board to meet with American Security and Office Manager Davis to review proposed security system details and finalize the proposed quote. Updated the Board on the new proposed location for the new fire station. Three-acre parcel located off Carl Broggi Hwy, Port City to evaluate for suitability for the new proposed fire station.
- 4. Vice Chair Walsworth Presented a proposal for replacing an ambulance. Proposed purchase price of \$404,340.00 with a 24-month delivery, includes Stryker lift and Zoll defibrillator. Request made by the Board for information on a lease/purchase option. Informed the Board of a Harassment Training quote from legal for \$1,000.00. Requested Board opinion on ATV roadway access permission in North Lebanon area town approval versus yearly Board review.
- 5. Chair Philbrick- Reminded the Board of the MSAD 60, SRO meeting on March 19, Insurance meeting on March 27, Auditor on site March 28. Requested update from the Board in regards to safety zones no response from legal to date. Presented to the Board a quote for electrical services to address electrical safety issues in the main office staff area. Selectman Harlow made a motion to approve Timber Ridge Electric LLC quote for \$4,630.75 to correct electrical safety deficiencies in the Town Office to be funded from General Government Building Maintenance. Seconded by Vice Chair Walsworth. Motion passed 5-0-0. Updated the Board of the Milton vote to not build New Bridge and informed the Board that Maine DOT has been in contact with the Town of Lebanon in regards of the effect of that vote. Requested direction in regards to the May 23 school budget meeting. Town office to close at 5:30 pm to allow the applicable staff to perform their duties at the budget meeting.

## **MINUTES**

- 1. Vice Chair Walsworth motioned to accept the Select Board Meeting minutes for February 29, 2024 as presented. Seconded by Selectman Harlow. Motion passed 4-0-1 (Edwards).
- 2. Vice Chair Walsworth motioned to accept the Select Board Meeting minutes for March 7, 2024 as presented. Seconded by Selectman Harlow. Motion passed 5-0-0.

3. Vice Chair Walsworth motioned to accept the Select Board Meeting minutes for March 13, 2024 as presented. Seconded by Selectman Harlow. Motion passed 4-0-1 (Edwards)

## PAPERWORK

- 1. Reviewed R02-019 interest and cost proposal from the tax collector Additional information requested prior to approval.
- 2. Reviewed Election Clerk appointment request paperwork. Board questioned the effective date no action taken
- 3. Training & Development Class Request Personnel Practices Zoom Class. Board approved and signed.

# 10:28 PM

Vice Chair Walsworth motioned that the Select Board go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405(6)(A) to discuss personnel matters. Seconded by Selectman Harlow. Motion passed 5-0-0.

### 10:48 PM

Vice Chair Walsworth motioned to exit executive session and adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Selectman Harlow. Motion passed 5-0-0.