

Lebanon, Maine Select Board  
Town Office Conference Room  
Minutes –Meeting  
Thursday, October 29, 2020  
Others Present

Members Present

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

Brenda Zeller  
Kurt Zeller  
James Duprie  
Tom Place  
Deb Wilson

Chief Flynn  
JT Harmon  
Mel Warren

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

5:31 Pledge of Allegiance

5:32 Tom Place addressed the BOS about the Road Commissioner. Mr. Place was told that signs and barriers would be put up and that has not happened. The Chairman advised Mr. Place that the BOS are not the supervisors of the Road Commissioner. The Road Commissioner is an elected official by the people. Deb Wilson asked for an update on how to handle monetary donations to the Stuart Field. Vice Chair Philbrick advised that the Treasurer will advise on how to proceed.

5:55 Chief Flynn addressed the BOS regarding an active investigation. Chief Flynn stated that Selectman Cole contacted dispatch and a former Fire Chief to get transcripts/recordings of the call. Chief Flynn advised that this ongoing investigation is confidential.

6:10 Vice Chair Philbrick motioned to accept the minutes of 10-22-2020 as written. Selectman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

6:11 Paperwork processed – Animal Welfare League contract, purchase order, appointment papers for Election Clerks and Warden and Hartford Permit (Hartford was after the abatements and supplements).

Abatements Processed

VEV-000-0118 Incorrect Ownership Tax Abatement \$25000 valuation & \$396.25 taxes dollars  
VEV-000-0017 Illegal assessment - Tax Abatement \$25000 valuation & \$390.50 tax dollars  
VEV-000-0017 Illegal Assessment – Tax Abatement \$25000.00 valuation & \$382.50 tax dollars  
R15-015 TG Penalty (Pd no notification) – Tax Abatement \$0 valuation & \$0 tax dollars  
R04-016 Veterans Exempt Omitted – tax abatement \$5340 in valuation & \$84.64 tax dollars  
R11-013 Ownership correction and value correction. Court determined land is land locked, without rights of access.

Supplements Processed

R15-015  
VEV-000-0118  
VEV-000-0017  
VEV-000-0017  
R11-013

6:25 4x4 Last event on November 7, 2020. There will be no camping and they will have groups of 100. The Zellers will need to provide the BOS with more information in order for them to approve the event.

6:36 Vice Chair Philbrick motioned to enter in to Executive Session for Personnel Matters Pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405 (6)(A). Selectman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

6:55 Old Business – no changes

6:56 Individual Selectman Issues – Selectman Cole reports that a cannabis business in Town feels it is being harassed and may consult with an attorney. Vice Chair Philbrick reports that there have been many inquiries about marijuana in Town and feels the BOS should have a workshop. Vice Chair Philbrick addresses having 3 remote stations so that the Treasurer, Executive Assistant & Town Clerk are able to work remotely in the event of an emergency. The cost from BEK is \$7.00 per month, per station and a fee to complete the work. Selectman Cole motioned to allow three remote access accounts for Treasurer, Executive Assistant and Town Clerk. Selectman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. The BOS discussed the COVID protocols for illness. The BOS agreed that the Office Supervisor will speak with employees about health and if necessary, send them home if she feels that it is necessary (due to illness/exposure. The Office Supervisor will reach out to the BOS for a determination of what should be done for the long/short term. Selectman Cole discussed a repair to the forestry truck and the cost being over \$3000. The Chief is required to submit a purchase order to the Selectman's Assistant for presentation to the BOS in order to get the majority of the BOS approval for expenditures of \$3000.00 or more.

Deb Wilson, on behalf of Appeals Board, addressed the outstanding issue on Paradise Road. Selectman Adams motioned that an email will be drafted and discussed with the Town Attorney before being sent. Chair Russell seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. Further discussion about the upcoming Appeals Board meeting and allowing James Duprie to speak as former Cannabis Committee Chair.

8:26 Reminder of Halloween events this weekend. Discussion of volunteer work being done at Fire Station, FEMA trailer and American Legion.

8:45 Vice Chair Philbrick motioned to enter into Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405 (6)(A). Selectman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

9:10 Selectman Cole motioned to adjourn. Chair Russell seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.