

Lebanon, Maine Select Board
Town Office Conference Room
Minutes –Meeting
JANUARY 13, 2022

Members Present

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

Others Present

Laura Bragg

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

7:04 Pledge of Allegiance

7:06 Selectman DuPrie motioned to accept the Minutes of December 23, 2021 as presented. Selectman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. Selectman DuPrie motioned to accept the Minutes of January 6, 2021 as presented. Selectman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

7:07 Review Paperwork (ALL SIGNED) – Time off requests, Training Requests and 3 Winter Road Contracts. Also signed were 2 Memos to pay credit card bills without receipts from Fire. One was for December in the amount of \$163.89 – 4 missing from November. The second was for January in the amount of \$947.01 – 5 missing.

7:15 Old Business – the entire list was reviewed and updated.

7:20 Selectman Adams advised that Rep. Kryzak is ill and won't be at the BOS Meeting on 1/20/22. Selectman DuPrie discussed the offer from Kennebunk Savings and the portion that refers to the fiscal audit and the timing they require to have them ready. Stacie Hartley, Treasurer will reach out and see if that can be changed. The BOS is willing to give them whatever they request as long as we have it available. The rate is much better than the lease company, its 2.5% from Kennebunk. Chair Philbrick discussed the Budget Committee comments from last night regarding fire. The Duty Officer pay needs to be addressed as to what the line item should be. Selectman Adams will speak to the Chief before making a decision. Chair Philbrick addressed the budget for Highway and that it is in a bad place, with no fault to the Road Commissioner. A large part was Chick Road. Selectman DuPrie stated that with the pandemic and inflation, supplies were much higher than what was budgeted for. Selectman DuPrie stated that the BOS also lowered the budget for salt - Chair Philbrick stated that the salt is running low. The work that would happen in the Spring will need to be cut back and possibly post-pone paving. Selectman DuPrie followed up with his research about expanding the Town Office. Selectman DuPrie stated that per DEP we would be able to expand, without a permit, if we stayed under 3300 sq.ft.

7:36 Public Participation – Laura Bragg thanked the BOS for taking the Fire Truck issue to a vote and she feels that was the right thing to do. Mrs. Bragg states that the BOS was beat up on Facebook which she feels was unfair. Ms. Bragg stated she wanted to let the Board know that she feels it was the right thing to do, the people should always have a voice. Mrs. Bragg advised the BOS that there is a bill to make interfering with an elected official a Class C Crime, which makes it a felony – it is currently a misdemeanor. The State has already had a public hearing on this and there were 35 testimonies. Elections have become a scary thing with bad things happening.

7:40 Good of the Town – Laura Bragg said that the town is getting a Fire Truck.

7:40 Selectman DuPrie motioned to Enter into Executive Session for Personnel Matters pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(A). Chair Philbrick seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

8:29 Chair Philbrick motioned to exit executive session. Selectman DuPrie seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

8:30 Selectman Adams motioned to adjourn the BOS meeting. Selectman DuPrie seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.