

**Lebanon, Maine Select Board  
Town Office Conference Room  
Minutes –Meeting  
Thursday, October 31, 2019**

CB  
cole  
AD  
H

Members Present

Charles Russell – Chairman  
Paul Philbrick –Selectman  
Laura Bragg – Selectman  
Corinna Cole - Selectman  
Jeffrey Adams – Vice Chair

Others Present

James Duprie  
Deborah Wilson  
Dana Coull

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

---

5:32 Meeting opened. Pledge of Allegiance.

5:33 Update from Scott Gerrish, Road Commissioner. The Commissioner updated on paving that is upcoming and what has been done. Selectman Bragg asked about the Park & Ride – she advised that the Town does own this property. Commissioner Gerrish said that they dug a ditch to get the water out of it and they will be putting some material down shortly. Commissioner Gerrish will try to get to Gully Oven before it snows. The road crews have been stopped by the rains and winds. There was discussion about the salt being here already and the purchasing of stakes and signs to be used to mark potholes. Deborah Wilson and Selectman Cole informed Commissioner Gerrish about the Street Crossing Grant and asked if he would be available to attend the Workshop. Commissioner Gerrish will check his schedule and let them know if he is able to attend.

5:52 Public Participation – James Duprie updated the BOS on the proposed Rod & Gun Club. There had been discussion of using the old dump site. Mr. Duprie spoke with DEP and that is not a possibility. Mr. Duprie updated the BOS on a seminar he went to regarding Marijuana in the State of Maine. Mr. Duprie feels the BOS needs to get Ordinances in place very soon in order to preempt issues of licensing that are coming. Representative Kryzak informed Mr. Duprie that Lebanon has 28 caregivers in the town of Lebanon – 15 are residents and 13 are non-residents. Mr. Duprie brought up wanting to have paperwork drawn up to appoint Corinna Cole as a member of the Cannabis Committee. Appointment papers will be drawn up to be voted on at the next BOS meeting.

6:05 Selectman Bragg motioned to accept the minutes of 10/24/19 as written. Selectman Cole seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. Vice Chair Adams abstained.

6:08 The warrant for this week was \$90,161.70

6:09 The BOS processed paperwork – time off requests, purchase orders and training requests.

6:15 Old Business – Selectman Cole discussed legal aspects of Cannabis Stores – she doesn't believe any of them are grandfathered. Selectman Philbrick brought up the CMP Contract and that without one, CMP can go ahead with spraying. Selectman Philbrick states that when CMP sprayed, there were children born with birth defects and this was linked to the chemicals being sprayed. The first payment to CMP was guaranteed and the money has been set aside. Selectman Adams motioned to pay CMP the monies for the no spray contract. Selectman Cole seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. Selectman Philbrick discussed the firewall subscription will expire 11/14/19 and the need to renew. Selectman Russell motioned to renew the firewall with BEK, Inc. Selectman Bragg seconded. Vote taken; vote

carried. Selectman Bragg is working on a draft Noise Ordinance for the June election. Selectman Bragg feels that the Boards and Commissions should be signing the Ethics Policy and be trained on how to conduct themselves. Vice Chair Adams questions the school curriculum and children being taught that socialism is a good thing. Vice Chair Adams states that he has received calls from parents that are upset with this teaching. Selectman Bragg advises that we have School Board Members that represent the Town. The parents could reach out to the School Board or directly to the Superintendent. Chairman Russell has found a company to do the repairs at the transfer station for \$3500.00 whereas Waste Management quoted \$4800.00. Chairman Russell motioned to have Perro Welding Services, Stokewood Drive, Lebanon, ME complete the repairs at the transfer station for a total cost of \$3500.00. Selectman Philbrick seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. Chairman Russell discussed the issue of Executive Sessions and no longer having to come back into a public meeting at the end so the building can be cleared. In the event that the board would find it necessary to go back into public meeting, there will be a designated area to sit and the radio or white noise would be played. Selectman Bragg mentioned that in the case of Poverty Abatements the sessions should be on a day when there is no public meeting so that the participants have complete confidentiality.

7:10 Deborah Wilson said that the Town Attorney had been asked for a legal opinion on an appeals board issue. The appeals board needed the answer prior to putting the revised ordinance on the ballot in November. The opinion was provided just a few days ago – well after the deadlines for the ballot. She feels the Town should not have to pay for this service. The BOS agrees and will ask for a credit for any work done on that issue.

7:20 Selectman Bragg motioned to enter into Executive Session for consultation with legal counsel pursuant to 1 MRSA 405(6)(E).

8:45 Executive Session for personnel matters pursuant to 1 MRSA 405(6)(A)

9:15 Adjourned