Lebanon, Maine Select Board **Town Office Conference Room** Minutes - Meeting Thursday, March 5, 2020

Others Present

Charles Russell – Chairman Selectman

Paul Philbrick - Selectman Laura Bragg - Selectman

Members Present

Corinna Cole – Selectman Jeffrey Adams - Vice Chair **James Duprie** Nick Wyman

Matthew Leggett A. Laguex

Deborah Wilson

Dana Coull Chief Hooper

Ben Thompson

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5:35 Pledge of Allegiance

Update on roads by Chairman Russell. List of roads being considered for paving was read aloud.

5:38 Appeals Board update by Deborah Wilson. Ms. Wilson would like a Land Use Clerk to be present at meetings in order to get copies, etc. The BOS states that a Clerk attending meetings is not an option. The files will be copied prior to the meeting and left for the Appeals Board Meeting.

5:50 Matthew Leggett of the ATV Club updated the BOS on his visits to residents regarding the access route. The majority of the residents he spoke with on Upper Middle Road and Creamery Hill Road were in favor as long as speed isn't an issue. The BOS Chair will write something up for the board to approve allowing a one-year trial se of the ATV route. Dana Coull wanted people to know that the Town of Milton was very disrespectful to Chairman Russell at their meeting earlier in the week. Kyle Fitzsimons asked for permission to have a 2nd Amendment Awareness event at the transfer station on two days – 3/21/2020 & 4/4/2020. He will speak with Robert Patch and be sure to stay out of the way so as not to create a hazard for anyone. He would like to get a 2nd Amendment Petition signed as well. The BOS agreed to this. Deb Wilson would like to know why people are not allowed in the Fire Department to pick up raffle tickets. The BOS advises that no one is allowed in either Fire Department except for Fire Personnel. This rule will remain in effect until all reports are back and the BOS clears the buildings.

6:30 Selectman Bragg motioned to accept the minutes of 2/27/2020 as written. Vice Chairman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. Paper work was presented and signed.

6:35 Nick Wyman of 165 Smith Road presented his case for a property tax abatement. This was denied by O'Donnell and Associates. The BOS advised Mr. Wyman that he can appeal to the York County Commissioners.

6:50 Representative Theodore Kryzak attended a briefing on the Coronavirus and wanted to share information. Rep. Kryzak would like the public to know that the State would like all citizens to get their information from either the Maine CDC or the US CDC as the information on social media is not a reliable source. The CDC would like everyone to know that handwashing is the best prevention. Please do not buy surgical masks as this helps if you have the virus to combat spreading the virus but doesn't help in preventing you from getting the virus. The CDC would like there to be masks available when medical staff and infected patients need them.

6:55 James Duprie, Chair of the Cannabis Committee continues the discussion of how to write ordinances.

7:10 Old Business list gone through and updated.

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7:18 Selectman Philbrick motioned to extend the contract with J&S Masonry for another year at the same price. Selectman Bragg seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. Selectman Philbrick discussed that the Town is running out of money in some of the budgets. There will not be enough money in the Code Budget to pay wages for the rest of the fiscal year. The board agreed to move \$17821.95 from contingency to pay those wages. Other budgets that will probably not make it are are the Transfer Station and Fire Department for example. Chairman Russell motioned to move \$17,900.00 from contingency to wages. Vice Chairman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. Selectman Bragg addressed the Lot Size Ordinance of 2017 and some citizens wanting this changed. Selectman Bragg, along with others on the board, believes this should be done by a citizen's petition. The BOS needs to look at Paving and Cemetery Bids for this year.

7:45 Chief Hooper updated the BOS on the Fire Department. There are concerns but he is very impressed by the staff and their attitudes. Chairman Russell motioned to match the Jr. Firefighters money by giving \$1300.00 to their helmets from the 2019 Gosselin Grant. Vice Chair Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

7:50 Selectman Bragg motioned to enter into Executive Session for personnel matters pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(A). Chairman Russell seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

8:35 Out of executive session and reentered regular meeting. Chief Hooper read a public statement to the public, board scheduled a Budget Workshop for Wednesday 3/11/2020@ 6:30. Chairman Russell motioned to adjourn, Vice Chairman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

NOTE: Selectman Cole recused herself from the Executive Session.