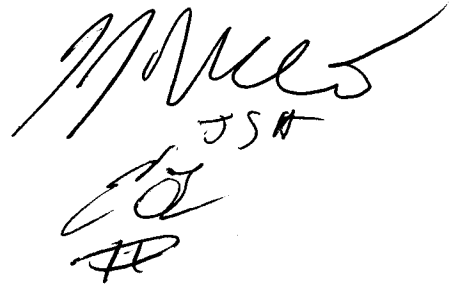


Lebanon, Maine
Select Board
Town Office Conference Room
Minutes –Meeting
March 10, 2022

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Members Present

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

Others Present

Allyn Gee
Chief Flynn
Deborah Wilson

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

6:00 Pledge of Allegiance

6:02 Selectman DuPrie motioned to accept the Minutes of 3-3-2022 as submitted. Selectman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

6:04 Paper work signed – Time off requests, training requests signed. A Municipal Quitclaim Deed for R05-016-3B-001 was signed as the resident purchased the property back. A Request for Transfer of Funds from the Operating checking account ending in #4909 to the marijuana fees account ending in #3356 in the amount of \$2,188.00. This amount represents money received from Marijuana Applications from 12/30/21-3/3/2022 document signed. The Board addressed a letter from Allyn Gee to extend his Adult Use Cultivation license to the anniversary date of the application. Selectman DuPrie Motioned to grant the extension. Chair Philbrick seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. The letter from Mr. Gee asked for 90-day extension however Selectman DuPrie adjusted it to the anniversary date. Mr. Gee confirmed that he wanted the full year, as he was under the impression he could only get 90 days.

6:15 Old Business – All items reviewed and updated. Selectman DuPrie will correct motion made last week as it is incorrect. Selectman DuPrie motioned to give residents whose property has been foreclosed on as of February 25, 2022 and opportunity to buy the property back. All taxes, fees and interest owed up to and including the 2019 taxes must be paid by 4:00pm on March 31, 2022 with cash or certified check or the property will be subject to being sold by the Town of Lebanon. Residents retain the right to meet with the Selectmen to make payment arrangements if needed. Selectman DuPrie motioned to rescind his motion made 3-3-2022 as follows “to grant a 30-day extension to anyone foreclosed if they pay all taxes up to and including 2019 and this will end the foreclosure procedure for the year. Chair Philbrick seconded. There was discussion and Selectman DuPrie amended his motion as follows the motion doesn’t forfeit individuals’ rights to meet with the selectmen to make payment arrangements if needed. Selectman Adams seconded. A vote was taken on the amendment to the motion. Vote taken; vote carried. A vote was taken on the original motion. Vote taken; vote carried.” Selectman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

6:24 Individual Selectmen Issues – Selectman Adams advised the Board that the COVID monies can be used to purchase SCBA equipment for the fire department. Selectman Lizotte discussed shutting off the access for the ATVs as the date to open trails is May 15th. Chair Philbrick advised the Board that he misquoted the amount spent on salt at last weeks meeting. Chair Philbrick stated that the Road Commissioner spent 50.00 per ton on salt but the correct price was \$75.82. Chair Philbrick also advised that the petition for a Charter didn’t have enough signatures and they are collecting more. There was discussion about the residents that park at the town office and the issue with someone parking in the

unmarked fire lane. The Office Manager will ask the Road Commissioner to purchase and install a FIRE LANE sign to alleviate the issue. Chair Philbrick discussed budget. Selectman DuPrie recommended that we use the marijuana funds to pay back the marijuana legal fees that were expended and codes budget as well.

6:41 Chief Flynn discussed truck maintenance and selling tank 6 as it has been decommissioned. Chief reviewed repairs that need to be done on various vehicles. Chief addressed the high cost of heating at Station #2 and possible changes to save money. There was discussion of moving vehicles and winterizing the building. Chief addressed the Board about the need for air packs. The air packs the station currently have been old and need to be replaced. Chief has a quote for air packs and bottles for \$85,000.00 with full warranty. Chief advised the Board that the price will be going up in April and we should act now with COVID funds. The Chief states that we can get \$5000.00 for the old equipment. Selectman Adams motioned the purchase amount of \$85,000.00 for 10 packs and the bottles. no second. After discussion Selectman Lizotte seconded. Vote taken; 2 in favor (Adams) (Lizotte) and 2 opposed (Philbrick)(DuPrie). Selectman DuPrie advised that he is waiting to make a decision on this until the entire Board meets to discuss the covid monies as a whole.

7:15 Selectman DuPrie motioned to enter into Executive Session for personnel matters Pursuant to 1 MRS § 405 (6) (C). Chair Philbrick seconded. Vote taken; voter carried. The Board meeting will reconvene at 8:00.

7:25 Selectman DuPrie motioned to exit executive session. Selectman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

7:26 Selectman DuPrie motioned to enter into Executive Session for Consultation with Legal Counsel. Selectman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

7:35 Selectman DuPrie motioned to exit executive session. Selectman Adams seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

8:00 Selectman DuPrie motioned to return to public session. Chair Philbrick seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

8:02 Public Participation – Deborah Wilson discussed the packs and why the town should purchase them for the fire department. Selectman DuPrie stated that he would like to wait to discuss all the things the covid money would be used for and address this at that time. Chair Philbrick would like take the funds from the General Fund. Chair Philbrick has concerns as to what else fire is going to ask for next as they. The Fire Department has expended a lot of money this year.

8:45 Appeals Board discussion. There was discussion between the Board and Deborah Wilson as Chair of the Appeals Board regarding duties by the Land Use Clerk and what the Appeals Board responsibilities. Selectman DuPrie would like to close until he has his notes. Discussion continues and Ms. Wilson stated that she doesn't have time to take on duties and doesn't feel she should do the work that someone else is getting paid for.

9:00 Selectman Adams advised Acton residents that children ages 13-17 are eligible to play Babe Ruth.

9:15 Chair Philbrick discussed the air packs and that it must be placed on the ballot and needs to go before the Budget Committee. The Board agrees this should be done. Ms. Wilson asked Chair Philbrick about the tax rate and LD1. Ms. Wilson asked why we choose to use LD1 when can discussed choose not to. Chair Philbrick stated that there is a law on the books even though he state chooses not to

enforce it. Selectman Adams again advises that the Babe Ruth is open to Lebanon and Acton. Chair Philbrick asked the Board if they would like to use \$100,000.00 from COVID \$ or General Fund. Selectman DuPrie, Chair Philbrick and Selectman Adams are in favor of the General Fund. Selectman Lizotte is in favor of either. This will go before the Budget Committee on Wednesday 3-16-2022.

9:27 Selectman Adams motioned to adjourn. Chair Philbrick seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.