## Lebanon, Maine Select Board Town Office Conference Room Minutes – Meeting Thursday, March 17, 2022

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## **Members Present**

## Others Present

Paul Philbrick - Vice Chair Ernest Lizotte, Jr. - Selectman Jeffrey Adams - Selectman James DuPrie - Selectman Laura Bragg Autumn Bridges Deborah Wilson Kurk Flynn

Dennis Wilson Andrew LePage Crystal Adams Jenn Griffin

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6:00 Pledge of Allegiance

6:01 Selectman DuPrie motioned to accept the Minutes of 3/10/2022 as presented. Chair Philbrick seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. Selectman DuPrie motioned to accept the Minutes of 3/12/2022 as presented. Chair Philbrick seconded. Vote taken 3-affirmative (Philbrick, Lizotte, DuPrie) 1 abstained – Adams as he wasn't present at 3-12-2022 meeting.

6:10 Paperwork signed – Training request, purchase order for computer, purchase order for flags, Quit Claim Deed for VXX-000-0052, Quit Claim Deed for R05-058, Memorandum to transfer \$47,0271.91 from the Marijuana Fee Revenue balance to cover costs associated with the administration and enforcement of the marijuana Ordinance from 7-1-2021 thru 3/10/2022. Transfer \$47,027.91 from Marijuana Fee Revenue to the departments of Legal Fees and Codes & Land Use as follows: Legal \$37,320.00; Code Officer Wages \$8,054.06; Codes Payroll Tax \$616.14; Codes Travel Expenses \$174.33; Codes Advertising \$863.38. Pole permit signed. Selectman DuPrie read a letter from Grace Charland requesting an extension for the medical marijuana license, marijuana adult use license for cultivation and retail until the anniversary date of her application 8-23-2022. Selectman DuPrie motioned to grant an extension for all of Grace Charland's businesses to the 1-year anniversary of 8-23-2022. Chair Philbrick seconded. Vote taken; vote carried. Discussion of closing the town office on March 31, April 1 and April 4 due to staff shortage. Chair Philbrick motioned to close the Town Office on 3-31-22, 4-1-22 and 4-4-22. Selectman DuPrie seconded. Vote taken; vote carried.

6:30 Andy LePage, Chair of the Planning Board and Dennis Wilson, Vice Chair are present to discuss the Planning Board. Selectman DuPrie advised them that during a Union meeting regarding the planning board secretary. It was mentioned that the Secretary prepares the facts and findings for the planning board and if this is allowed. Mr. Wilson read a letter from MMA regarding this which explains that this is allowed. After discussion, the item will be added to the job description.

6:39 Unfinished Business – reviewed in full with much discussion.

7:00 Chair Philbrick motioned to adjourn. There was no second. Chairman Philbrick left the meeting and advised Selectman Adams to take over the meeting. Selectman DuPrie motioned for a 5-minute recess. Selectman Lizotte seconded. Vote taken by the 3 remaining Selectmen and vote carried.

7:06 The Board came back into meeting. Individual Selectman Issues. Selectman Lizotte discussed not allowing the ATV traffic this year as there are too many issues and the residents do not want this again

this year. Selectman Lizotte states it was a trial and it has failed. Selectman DuPrie discussed the Marijuana Officer and Assistant job descriptions which need to be finalized.

7:41 Selectman Adams motioned to purchase SCBA gear for the fire department at \$85,000 from the COVID money. Selectman Lizotte seconded. There was discussion about the letter Chair Philbrick read at the Budget Committee Meeting that the Town Attorney advised that this goes before the voters at Town Meeting. Selectman DuPrie stated that he will not go against the Town Attorney's advice. Selectman Adams called for vote. 2 in favor (Adams, Lizotte) 1 against (DuPrie) (Chair Philbrick absent) Vote failed (need 3 affirmatives to carry). There was further discussion of the attorney's advice, Stacie Hartley, Treasurer, came into the meeting and discussed the advice that the Town Attorney provided regarding that this be presented before the voters as a referendum item. MMA Legal gave the same advice. Deborah Wilson stated that the vote carried with the vote of two and Selectman Adams was going to accept that the vote passed.

7:50 Selectman DuPrie motioned to adjourn. No second. Selectman DuPrie left the meeting.

7:51 Meeting ended as there was no quorum.