## Lebanon, Maine Select Board Town Office Conference Room Minutes – Meeting May 19, 2022

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## **Members Present**

Others Present

Paul Philbrick – Vice Chair Ernest Lizotte, Jr. – Selectman EXCUSED Jeffrey Adams – Selectman James DuPrie – Selectman Randy Oakley 4x4

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

7:30 Meeting started at this time in order for the Select Board to attend the School Budget Presentation Meeting at the Hanson School at 6:00pm

- 7:30 1. Pledge of Allegiance
  - 2. Review of Minutes:

No review of minutes due to only two members of the board present as Selectman Adams joined the meeting remotely versus in person.

3. Paperwork:

Chair Philbrick read a letter from the State in regards to the rumble strips to be reinstalled on Carl Broggi Hwy this summer from the Maine/New Hampshire State Line to Sanford, Me.

- 4. Agenda Items None
- 5. Unfinished Business
  List reviewed no changes this week.
- 6. Individual Selectmen Issues

Selectman DuPrie – nothing

Selectman Adams – Warning of the weekend heat wave

Chair Philbrick: Read the letter from the Conservation Commission in regards to the John Wood lot the Town owns in back of the Hen House restaurant on Carl Broggi Hwy. In the Commission opinion the parcel has no special recreational or other conservation value and the town should sell it. The letter also inquired about the possibility of setting aside a modest percentage of the sale of this or other public lands for future Conservation Commission expenditures. The letter also included information about a matching grant received from the Maine Forest Service to prepare a forest management plan for the Community Forest.

Selectman DuPrie made a motion to accept the Maine Forest Service Matching Grant after July 1, 2022. Selectman Adams seconded the motion. Motion passed with Chair Philbrick, Selectman DuPrie and Selectman Adams in favor, none opposed. The Board authorized Lebanon Conservation Chair John Bozak to sign the agreement and the general assurances documents pertaining to the Grant.

Chair Philbrick presented two invoices for replacement protective gear and one invoice for replaced fire equipment that were all damaged at the Heath Road fire.

Selectman DuPrie motioned to pay the Bergeron Invoice #231646 in the amount of \$8,974.88 and invoice #231748 in the amount of \$585.95 to replace equipment damaged in the Heath Road fire from the Contingency Fund. Selectman Adams seconded the motion. Vote taken – motion passed with Chair Philbrick, Selectman DuPrie and Selectman Adams in favor, none opposed.

Selectman DuPrie motioned to pay Bergeron Invoice 231680 in the amount of \$2,544.73 from CIP 25-42 – Fire Equipment. Vote taken- motion passed with Chair Philbrick, Selectman DuPrie and Selectman Adams in favor, none opposed.

Chair Philbrick presented to the Board the cleaning contract for the Town Office. It was discussed and determined to put the contract for cleaning out to bid.

- 7. Public Participation None
- 8. Executive Session for Labor Negotiations Rescheduled to a later date
- 9. Executive Session for Personnel Matters

7:56 pm Selectman DuPrie made a motion to enter into Executive Session for Personnel Matters Pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 (6)(A). Chair Philbrick seconded. Motion passed with Chair Philbrick, Selectman DuPrie and Selectman Adams in favor, none opposed.

8:19 pm Selectman DuPrie made a motion to exit Executive Session. Jeff seconded. Motion passed with Chair Philbrick, Selectman DuPrie and Selectman Adams in favor, none opposed

Selectman DuPrie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Selectman Adams seconded. Motion passed with Chair Philbrick, Selectman DuPrie and Selectman Adams in favor, none opposed.

To:

Selectman Paul Philbrick

John Bozek

From:

John Bozak - Lebanon Conservation Commission

Subject:

- Three Commission members visited the John Wood lot last month. As
  you'll probably recall, it's the town-owned, landlocked woodlot not too far
  north of the Hen House Restaurant on 202. The group members were all of
  the same opinion, that this parcel has no special recreational or other
  conservation value and that the town should sell it if a suitable buyer is
  found.
- If the town disposes of this or other public lands not suited for conservation, might a modest percentage (eg., 2-3%) be set aside for future Conservation Commission expenditures? What would it take to accomplish this idea?
- The Commission members will attend the selectmen's meeting on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. We'd like to discuss some ideas about recycling.
- Project Canopy Grant We've been notified that the Conservation
   Commission has been awarded a matching grant from the Maine Forest
   Service. The grant is for preparing a forest management plan for our
   Community Forest. Included with this letter is the notice of award. There is
   a simple contract to be signed before field work can begin. Am I authorized
   to sign or can you? The grant is for \$750 which must be matched by the
   town. This will consume the Commission's budget which is fine with us.
   Lastly, we have until October of 2023 to complete the project.

Note: Attached is the letter from State Forester Patty Cormier notifying us of the grant award.



## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION & FORESTRY

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COMMISSIONER

April 28, 2022

**GOVERNOR** 

Lebanon Conservation Commission John Bozak 33 Colburn Way Lebanon, ME 04027

Dear John Bozak:

We are pleased to announce that you have been approved for a 2022 Project Canopy Assistance grant of \$750 under the Project Canopy Assistance Program. Congratulations! This award is 100% of the requested amount. Project Canopy grants are made available through the U.S.D.A. Forest Service Urban and Community Forestry Program CFDA 10:675.

The grant award is contingent on the Lebanon Conservation Commission's ability to meet the following conditions:

• Ensure that Project Canopy, the USFS, and community forestry are promoted through signage, literature, and any media.

An award packet containing two copies of the project agreement and the MFS general assurances is in the mail. Please return one copy of the signed agreement and general assurances to the Maine Forest Service. Please note the signature page on the contract is the last page, and the General Assurances signature is on the back of this two-sided document. Please also fill in the field with your organization's DUNS number. No work may begin on the project until both the agreement and the general assurances have been signed by both parties. Please retain copies of all documents for your records. Any questions regarding grant terms and conditions may be addressed by contacting Jan Ames Santerre at 207-287-4987.

We look forward to working closely with you. Please let us know if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Patty Cormier

Director, Maine Forest Service

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