Lebanon, Maine Select Board Town Office Conference Room Minutes –Meeting May 31, 2022

Members Present

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

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1. Pledge of Allegiance

6:18 PM

- 1. Special Town Meeting for Budget Shortage.
- Chair Philbrick distributed the latest Expense Summary Report to the Board members for review to determine potential budgets shortage for fiscal year 2021-2022 to determine if a special town meeting would be needed to authorize additional funding to maintain operations to the end of the fiscal year. The following accounts were identified as areas of concern. Legal Fees, Dispatch, Transfer Station, Fire and Rescue. The Board determined that they will continue to monitor the budgets closely over the weeks ahead and work with the departments to stay within their budgets the best they can. The Board will use Contingency to cover overages in Legal and Dispatch if so needed.
- 2. Discuss Insurance Renewal.
- Chair Philbrick presented to the Board members the information he received from the Town's liability insurance carrier agent late Friday. The agent notified the Town that the current insurance carrier was hedging on renewing the Town's liability policy due to the last six years of insurance claims. (EPL Paid to date \$245,432 in the past 6 years for 5 claims, auto Paid to date \$88,460, Property Paid to date \$14,243, Fire Claim for \$53,500 in process). The agent is working to obtain coverage from another provider as well as working with the current carrier. The current carrier has stated if they do renew the policy there would be a 55-60% premium increase. The increase would relate to approximately \$30,000. Selectman DuPrie to contact Maine Municipal Association to inquire about the insurance they offer. Selectman Adams to contact the State to see what options the Town has if the Town is unable to obtain liability insurance from a private carrier. Chair Philbrick will work with the Fire Chief about his request for having drivers under the age of 20. The Constable position that the Board talked about will be delayed for another year.

6:34 PM

Selectman DuPrie motioned to enter into Executive Session for Labor Negotiations Pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 (6)(D). Selectman Adams seconded the motion. Motion passed with all in favor. Selectman DuPrie motioned to exit Executive Session. Selectman Adams seconded the motion. Motion passed with all in favor.

Selectman DuPrie motioned to adjourn the meeting. Selectman Adams seconded the motion. Motion passed with all in favor.