

## **Selectmen's Meeting Monday, March 22, 2021**

These minutes were recorded by Angela Rizzitano, Secretary. Matt Sawyer Jr., Town Administrator, was also in attendance. The meeting was held in the Bub Avery Gymnasium at Town Hall.

**Chairman Jonathan Smith reconvened the meeting at 4:15 PM.**

**Call to Order/Roll Call: Completed in the Work Session- Jonathan Smith, Susan Simpson, Martha Eldridge**

Chairman Jonathan Smith opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Input:**  
None Presented

### **Meeting Minutes:**

Selectman M. Eldridge made a motion to approve the minutes from the Work Session held on March 15, 2021. Simpson seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

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### **Accounts Payable & Payroll Manifests:**

The Payroll Check Voucher total was submitted for the week ending 3/20/2021 with a pay date of 3/22/2021 in the amount of \$82,898.43. Accounts Payable for the week ending 3/20/2021 is \$84,632.31. M. Eldridge made a motion to approve. Simpson seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

### **Review of Red Folder:**

A Request for a Clerical Abatement was received for the property located at 110 Nichols Road for property owners Cori Fazio and Matthew McCluskey (Map 029 Lot 001, Sub 188). The request is in the amount of \$195.00. The reason for this abatement is that this camper sold in June of 2020. Simpson made a motion to approve. Smith seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Request for a Clerical Abatement was received for the property located at 110 Nichols Road for property owners Roy Searles and Jean Nadolny (Map 029 Lot 001, Sub 031). The request is in the amount of \$200.00. The reason for this abatement is that this camper sold in July of 2020, but the Bill of Sale was just recently received. Simpson made a motion to approve. Smith seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Request for a Clerical Abatement was received for the property located at 110 Nichols Road for property owners Daniel and Jennifer Lachance (Map 029 Lot 001, Sub 228). The request is in the amount of \$169.00. The reason for this abatement is that this camper was registered for the 2020 tax season. Simpson made a motion to approve. Smith seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Request for a Clerical Abatement was received for the property located at 110 Nichols Road for property owners Bill and Judy Bilodeau (Map 029 Lot 001, Sub 016). The request is in the amount of \$192.00. The reason for this abatement is that this camper was registered for the 2020 tax season. Simpson made a motion to approve. Smith seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Request for a Clerical Abatement was received for the property located at 330 Newman Drew Road for property owner Todd Crossman (Map 029 Lot 001, Sub 143). The request is in the amount of \$207.00. The reason for this abatement is that this camper was registered for the 2020 tax season. There are structures on the site that still need to be assessed. Simpson made a motion to approve. Smith seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a Notice of Intent to Excavate from Rob Ambrose. Taxes are paid. Simpson made a motion to approve. Smith seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a Notice of Intent to Cut Wood or Timber for New England Forestry Foundation. The logger is Peter Farrell. Taxes are paid. Simpson made a motion to approve. Smith seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a Water & Sewer Warrant for \$1,050.00. Simpson made a motion to approve. Smith seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a letter from a Wolfeboro resident regarding Cemetery Trustee, Krystal Eldridge. The letter was read by Selectman Smith. It states that Krystal Eldridge was very helpful, professional, and patient during the process of locating their cemetery plot for their loved one. She also dug a spot for the urn at the plot and replanted the grass. This letter asked the Board that K. Eldridge's kindness be recognized to show that good deeds do not go unnoticed. Smith thanked Krystal Eldridge for her work as a Cemetery Trustee.

The Board received a Supplemental Tax Warrant for \$195.00 for Paul and Denise Saunders. The property sold in June and Mr. and Mrs. Saunders are the new owners. Smith made a motion to approve. M. Eldridge seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a Supplemental Tax Warrant for \$200.00 for Shaun and Stephanie Sughrue. The property sold in July and Mr. and Mrs. Sushrue are the new owners. Smith made a motion to approve. Simpson seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received an application for a Blind Exemption. Smith made a motion to approve. Simpson seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a Water & Sewer Warrant for \$130.15 for property at 20 Moultonville Rd. Smith made a motion to approve. Simpson seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

#### **Old Business:**

Bids for the Whittier Covered Bridge are due April 5, 2021. We have not received any yet per Matt Sawyer Jr.

#### **New Business:**

Smith read a letter that will be going out to all property owners that are behind on their taxes by 3 years. The letter stated that those properties will be up for tax deeding and to avoid losing the property, taxes must be paid in full. This will help eliminate some of the unpaid taxes in the Town. Previously the Town has done payment plans for taxpayers who are behind but per Legal Counsel, RSA 80:76 states that the Town cannot avoid deeding to benefit the owner. At the 6-year period the Town will take full ownership of the property.

Chairman Smith advised that there are 2 job openings for the Town. Cemetery groundskeeper and Transfer Station Operator. Cemetery groundskeeper is a part time/seasonal position starting at \$20 per hour with a potential of 30 hours per week. Job includes mowing, trimming, brush and small tree removal, and clean-up of leaves, debris, and trash. Transfer Station Operator is a part time position starting at \$18 per hour. Hours will vary from week to week. Job includes operating a backhoe, skid steer, plow truck, baylor, and compactor. As well as sorting recyclables and loading trucks for outgoing shipments. Must be able to lift 50 pounds and applicant will need to be enrolled in multiple training courses and solid waste certificate programs. Both positions will be posted immediately.

### **Second Public Input:**

Dallas Emery asked if people who are getting their property deeded will have an opportunity to pay off the Town before it gets to the selling process. Smith advised yes but also mentioned between the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> year of deeding, the original owner can purchase the property back from the Town. It was also advised that once the property is deeded, the property needs to be vacated. Discussion ensued.

The next Selectmen's meeting will take place on Monday, March 29, 2021.

### **Adjournment:**

Being no further input, Smith made a motion to adjourn. Simpson seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Adjourned at 4:35 PM.

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Jonathan H. Smith, Chairman

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Susan J. Simpson

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Martha B. Eldridge

To be approved 3/29/2021