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**Board of Selectmen  
Meeting Minutes  
June 11, 2020**

**I. Call to Order by Chairman**

The June 11, 2020 meeting of the Norton Board of Selectmen was held remotely (web: <https://zoom.us/j/6391519600>; dial in via +1 (646) 558-8656, Meeting ID 639-151-9600) and was called to order at 6:30 P.M., by Mr. Bradford K. Bramwell, Chairman. Member(s) present: Mr. Michael Flaherty, Mr. John Conway, Ms. Mary Steele, and Ms. Renee Deley. Also in attendance: Mr. Michael D. Yunits, Town Manager.

**II. Appointments/Resignations/Retirements**

1. Vote to Appoint Sandra Ollerhead as the Representative for the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD) Commission.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Flaherty to move the appointment of Sandra Ollerhead. Seconded by Ms. Deley. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

2. Vote to Reappoint Daniel Doyle to the Conservation Commission.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Flaherty to reappoint Daniel Doyle to the Conservation Commission. Seconded by Ms. Steele; Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

**III. Licenses and Permits**

1. Vote to Amend the One-Day All Alcohol (BYOB) Liquor License to Colleen Robichaud for a Private Event at the Everett Leonard Park from 12:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. by Changing the Date from June 20, 2020 to July 11, 2020.

**MOTION was made by Ms. Steele to so move. Seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

2. Review and Approve Amendments to Common Victualler and Alcohol Licenses.

Mr. Yunits advised that there were three applications to approve, the first being Bog Iron Brewing. He explained that they would be putting tables at the front of the building so they could have some outside seating.

Ms. Deley asked if the owner, Mr. Matthew Menard, was aware of the adjustment the Board made for minimum parking requirements, which Mr. Yunits answered he was. The Town

Manager further explained that they also had to space the tables at least six feet apart. Mr. Menard advised that there would be no consumption inside the building and that even with social distancing, they have the same exact head count outside as they do inside, which is 49 people. Mr. Conway wanted to clarify with regard to Mr. Menard's [pouring] license that he is allowed to open on election day, which Mr. Menard and Mr. Yunits both confirmed.

**MOTION was made by Ms. Steele to approve the amended liquor license for Bog Iron. Seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

Mr. Yunits explained that the next one was Sabatino's. He stated that this establishment had put a tent out front for their seating. Mr. Bramwell mentioned that he noticed when he drove by the restaurant that the tent was closed and asked if that had any effect on their application. Mr. Yunits replied that they would have to be at 50% capacity if the tent were to be closed. Ms. Deley asked if the tent can be open, which Mr. Yunits said it could and clarified that it was just closed because of the rain.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Flaherty to approve the amended license for Sabatino's. Seconded by Ms. Steele. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

Mr. Yunits explained that the last amended license application was for Kelly's Place. He stated that the restaurant owner would like to put three tables on the sidewalk. Mr. Conway asked if there would be enough space for people to get by, which Mr. Yunits confirmed.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Flaherty to approve the license for Kelly's. Seconded by Ms. Steele. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

#### IV. Announcements

Mr. Bramwell reminded residents that next Saturday (June 20<sup>th</sup>) is election day and it is at the Middle School. Ms. Steele asked if the Town Clerk, Ms. Lucia Longhurst, would be sending a reminder out to residents of the new election and town meeting dates and locations. Mr. Yunits said that he will make sure she does and mentioned that the Town Clerk was also being interviewed by cable.

#### V. Business

##### A. New Business

##### 1. Update on COVID-19.

Mr. Yunits advised that the Health Agent reported that currently Norton has 159 cases, of which 151 were out of isolation and on the road to recovery. The Town Manager informed the Board that as of that day there were a total of 5 deaths due to COVID-19 in Town. He stated that the Town Hall is still closed to the public, but employees would be returning to work at Town Hall on Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup> and they will have to watch a safety video upon return. Mr. Yunits advised that they are working on a plan to gradually open the Town Hall to the public in July, but as of right now it is still just employees.

Ms. Deley asked if it was mandatory for all employees to come back to work or if he is allowing some to work from home and some in the building. Mr. Yunits replied that there will have to be flexibility for both because he knows of at least three employees that were hit with daycare issues. He pointed out that the Board of Health Office cannot have all employees in their office at once because there is not enough space for social distancing. Mr. Yunits noted if an employee has a concern returning to work for any reason that they should let him know so arrangements can be made. Mr. Bramwell asked if all offices have been fitted with the germ guards like the Selectmen's Office, which Mr. Yunits confirmed.

Ms. Deley asked if the Town Hall has lost productivity or had any issues with getting everything done with employees working from home. Mr. Yunits answered they have not and that he also hasn't received any complaints to date. Ms. Deley stated that the Governor's Office was still urging those that could work from home to do so and that if it was working to continue to do so. Mr. Yunits clarified that while they haven't received a complaint from the public, there are still some employees that have to come in to get work done. Ms. Deley asked if those employees could still come in for a few hours to get done what they need to in the office and work from home for their other workload and Mr. Yunits said they could.

The Town Manager informed the Board that they had filed for their deficit spending request for unforeseen COVID-19 related expenses with the Department of Revenue. He advised that they also filed under the CARES Act to receive reimbursement for those expenses. He clarified that those expenses are just for this current fiscal year.

## 2. Vote to Disband the Town Common Revitalization Committee

Mr. Bramwell commented that the Town Common Revitalization Committee did an excellent job. Mr. Flaherty added that they not only did a great job, but they also had it done entirely with donations and volunteers. Mr. Yunits advised that the only funding needed for the Town Common was for the fence.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Flaherty to disband the Town Common Revitalization Committee. Seconded by Mr. Conway. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

## 3. Discussion on Town Meeting Logistics.

Mr. Yunits stated that the main reason he has this as an agenda item was because at the last meeting the Board had voted to set a rain date for town meeting. He advised that every other town he had spoken to who would be having an outdoor town meeting also scheduled a rain date and will not be using tents because that is why they have the rain date.

In response, Mr. Bramwell stated that since the meeting is scheduled for early in the morning and should be relatively short, he would suggest not having a tent to save the money as well.

Ms. Deley asked Mr. Yunits if he had gotten a response yet from town counsel, Attorney Lauren Goldberg, about the zoning articles. Mr. Yunits advised that he did and Attorney Goldberg informed him that they would have to go through the same process, and then the Town Moderator has to make the recommendation to refer the zoning articles back for further study or suggest that. Mr. Yunits clarified that Attorney Goldberg did not respond to the

question of if someone were to move the articles on town meeting floor. The Town Manager commented that while he could imagine someone could do that hopefully the people would agree to the suggestion made by the Town Moderator to send them back for further study. Ms. Deley said she would want to wait to hear back from town counsel until they have all of their questions answered before deciding on this because if the article(s) have the possibility of being moved they might also have a lot more people showing up. Mr. Yunits said he would push town counsel on that again.

Mr. Flaherty said they should take a look at the weather at the beginning of the week and agreed that at this point with the time of day and time of the year he also didn't see a point of getting a tent; however, if it is going to be poor weather then maybe the Board should reevaluate the need of a tent at that time. Ms. Deley and Mr. Conway advised that they wanted to wait until they heard back from town counsel before deciding on the tent.

Ms. Deley asked when the deadline would be to be able to rent a tent and what the final date would be in order to get their deposit back if they were to do so. Mr. Yunits said he would check and get back to them on that.

#### 4. Review and/or Vote on Town Meeting Articles and FY2021 Budget.

Mr. Yunits explained that Article 2 is for Chapter 90 Transportation Aid Program. He explained that this article is to accept any funds the State will provide the Town under the Chapter 90 program. The Town Manager reported to the Board that he read in the news that day that the House of Representatives and the Senate agreed to put \$100,000,000 more in Chapter 90 funds than last year. Mr. Yunits clarified that they do not know what the Town's number is going to be yet.

Mr. Bramwell asked if the amount of funds each town/city gets is determined by the number of miles of roadway within the town/city they have to cover, which Mr. Yunits stated was correct and mentioned that with the additional funds there was now \$300,000,000 in Chapter 90 funds.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Flaherty to support Article 2. Seconded by Mr. Conway. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

Article 5 (Tree Services): Mr. Yunits advised that the Finance Committee voted in support of this article with \$25,000 coming out of Free Cash. He explained that these funds are what the Highway Superintendent uses when he needs to hire someone to come out with a crane to assist taking down larger trees.

Ms. Deley asked in regard to the total for tree services if the \$25,000 was the total being budgeted for this line item or if the \$25,000 was just what was coming out of Free Cash. Mr. Yunits answered that \$25,000 is budgeted for tree services.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Flaherty to support Article 5 for \$25,000. Seconded by Mr. Conway. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

Article 6 (FY21 Water Enterprise Budget): Mr. Yunits advised that the Finance Committee voted to approve this. He explained that as a result of the new water treatment plant, salaries have increased to \$249,770.00 due to the extra staff needed. Mr. Yunits stated that there are positions at the new plant need to be filled, but they have three applicants right now for a foreman and assistant superintendent position (\$58,847 of the salary for this position will be attributed to Water).

**MOTION was made by Mr. Flaherty to support Article 6 Water Enterprise Budget. Seconded by Ms. Deley. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

Article 7 (Sewer Enterprise Budget): Mr. Yunits explained that the only increase was \$11,000 in salaries and \$26,154 of the Assistant Superintendent position would be paid out of this budget. The Town Manager stated that the chemicals went up \$5,000 and treatment plant costs increased by \$30,000 (this is the Sewer Department's payment to the MFN), and debt services \$17,000. He advised that none of this is paid by the Town, but rate payers.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Flaherty to support Article 7. Seconded by Mr. Conway. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

Article 9 (FY21 Capital Plan): Mr. Yunits reiterated what he said at a previous meeting about the concern of adding funds into Capital in the fall, which is why they are being conservative with account balance and make sure they have the funds to make future payments. Mr. Yunits advised that the Capital Committee recommended the following breakdown:

Data Processing: \$16,500 for optics (antivirus and cyber attack protection)

Police Department: \$60,000 for police line cruiser replacements (three requested) and \$11,000 for the replacement of HVAC units.

Fire Department: \$12,000 for turnout gear replacement and \$140,250 for pumper replacement (year 3 of 5).

Schools: \$10,000 for traffic calming systems (this will be in front of the L.G. Nourse Elementary School); \$22,000 for minibus (year 2 of 3-year lease); and \$22,000 for minibus (year 1 of 3-year lease).

Highway: \$36,000 for Peterbilt 348-473118 with tank (3 of 5); \$33,000 for holder utility tractor (4 of 5).

Tree Department: \$53,400 for bucket truck (year 2 of 5).

Water: \$34,015 for a Dodge Ram 1500 4x4 pickup and \$850,000 for the replacement of wells 5 and 6.

Mr. Yunits explained that there were \$1,300,165 in total capital requests, of which \$34,015 would be coming out of Water "Surplus"; \$850,000 will be borrowed and will be paid back through water receipts; and \$416,150 will be coming out of the capital fund.

Mr. Conway clarified that the \$850,000 being borrowed is for the replacement of both wells 5 and 6, which Mr. Yunits confirmed and added that it would be paid back through the water rates. Ms. Deley asked if the \$850,000 was something they planned for when they initially raised the rates. Mr. Yunits answered that it was and advised that it was in the Water/Sewer Superintendent's plans last year. Ms. Deley questioned if residents should anticipate any further rate increases. Mr. Yunits replied that he was unsure, but informed the Board that representatives from the Water/Sewer Department would be at their next meeting, so they could ask them at that time.

Mr. Conway mentioned that there was also work that had to be done on the water towers and the Board agreed to talk about this topic at their meeting the following week. Mr. Conway asked that the Water/Sewer Department come prepared to talk about the water dispenser since that is a big topic around town especially now that the COVID-19 restrictions are lightening up.

Mr. Bramwell asked if the Board had to vote before the warrant is posted, which Mr. Yunits answered they do not. Ms. Deley stated that she thought that the warrant was supposed to have the recommendations from the Board of Selectmen before the Finance Committee got it, which she pointed out had not happened the past few town meetings. Mr. Conway said that was his understanding as well because they help prioritize on decisions that need to be made. Ms. Deley suggested that the Board make their recommendations before the warrant gets posted. She further stated that she knows they are required to have the Finance Committee's recommendations (and the Planning Board when applicable) prior to posting the warrant and that she didn't know why it wouldn't have the Board of Selectmen's recommendations too. In response, Mr. Bramwell said if the Board was ready to give a recommendation they can. Ms. Deley said that the Board should meet again on Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> in order to have their recommendations on the posted warrant. Mr. Bramwell asked if this would create a conflict for anyone. Mr. Flaherty said it might be for him and the rest of the Board said they were available.

Mr. Yunits advised that Articles 10-14 all have to do with the building projects. He stated that he met with the Permanent Building Committee (PBC) on Tuesday and they were in agreement that they would want more people to be involved and would support delaying these articles to a future meeting. The Town Manager stated that the PBC wanted to emphasize that they would like to meet with the Board of Selectmen to get some direction if these articles do get moved to the October town meeting. Mr. Yunits lastly stated that the Superintendent of Schools told him that [the School Committee] would also do whatever the Town is doing on these. Mr. Conway said the Board owes the PBC a response back and Mr. Bramwell agreed.

Ms. Deley requested to vote on Article 9 (FY21 Capital Plan) on their next meeting's agenda, which the Board agreed to.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Flaherty to move Articles 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14 from the annual town meeting warrant and to be placed on the next town meeting warrant. Seconded by Ms. Steele. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

Article 16 (Long-Term Lease Agreement in Excess of Three Years of Antenna Space and Land for Wireless Communications Facility, Cottage Street Water Tank [Assessors Map 21,

Parcel 102)): Mr. Yunits advised that the Board of Selectmen already voted to approve this lease. He explained that the long-term lease agreement for the Cottage Street Water Tower would be with T-Mobile and because the lease term is for more than 5 years, the town has to vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to engage in a 20-year contract.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Flaherty to support Article 16. Seconded by Ms. Steele. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

Mr. Flaherty asked if this was something they had to do at this town meeting or if they could hold off. Mr. Yunits said they cannot hold off because the lease expires at the end of this year and they already did an RFP.

The Town Manager moved on to explain the remaining articles, which were zoning articles. Mr. Paul DiGiuseppe, Director of Planning and Economic Development, stated that he would give an overview of both the Village Center articles (Articles 19 and 20) because the two articles are intertwined (one would create the village center core and the other would be enforcing it on certain properties). He explained that in the village center core, an extra story is allowed on the buildings and it also restricts the amount of space the building can be off the street (currently buildings have to be at least 10 feet off of the road). Mr. DiGiuseppe informed the Selectmen that the Planning Board did vote to recommend this to town meeting as presented.

Mr. Flaherty expressed that he was concerned about having these zoning articles on the warrant. He stated that between states reopening and the protests, the country is seeing numbers rise in regards to COVID-19. Because of this, Mr. Flaherty stated that he didn't think they should be doing anything that isn't necessary at this time, which Mr. Bramwell and Ms. Steele agreed with. Mr. Yunits explained that this is why they have the Town Moderator referring these articles back for further study. The Town Manager said that the recommendation would be as they would usually do and refer these five matters back to the Planning Board for their non-binding support, which then gets submitted to town meeting. Mr. Bramwell clarified that the Board should not vote on if these articles should be on for this town meeting, but rather if they like what they see, which Mr. Yunits confirmed.

Mr. Yunits advised the Board that they could hear about all five Articles and then vote on all five to give their non-binding recommendation to the Planning Board in order to keep the process going to be heard either in June or at a later date. He further explained that the Board could vote to support or not support the articles separately and then the Planning Board would submit them for town meeting. Mr. Yunits stated that if the Selectmen don't want to hear them at town meeting that is fine, but if they don't do this, then they can't move forward. Mr. Conway clarified that June 17<sup>th</sup> was the final day to remove articles from the warrant, which Mr. Yunits confirmed. Mr. Conway asked if Mr. Yunits was confident he could get answer from town counsel on this prior to that date to answer Ms. Deley's questions. Mr. Yunits responded that he would think so. Mr. Yunits advised that they cannot remove articles at this point. Ms. Deley questioned this because she believed that an article could be removed by the committee that put them on. Mr. Yunits said he thought it might be too late at this point to do that, but he would double-check.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Flaherty to support the zoning bylaw Article 19. Seconded by Ms. Deley.**

Mr. DiGiuseppe asked that the Board amend the motion to include Article 20 (the map amendment) as well.

**Amended Motion:**

**MOTION was made by Mr. Flaherty to support Article 19 and Article 20. Seconded by Ms. Deley. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

The Board moved on to discuss Articles 21 and 22.

Ms. Deley gave an overview of the marijuana bylaw and Host Community Agreement changes. Mr. Flaherty stated that the Industrial Development Commission (IDC) did a very commendable job putting these together and recognized the very detailed and meticulous work they did. He pointed out that there was some confusion regarding Power Street and the two houses that are on the old St. Mary's land possibly falling to the wayside a little with the odors that would potentially be coming from the manufacturing facility.

Ms. Deley advised that they had two members of the IDC go to the area to take pictures and look at traffic patterns. Mr. Flaherty voiced a concern about the houses and that area abutting this zoning even though he didn't see many businesses trying to go in at that location. Ms. Deley said that none of the zoning boundaries do not abut a residential area. She added that the three applicants thus far have looked at easily accessible and large trafficked areas and not areas like Power Street.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Conway to support Article 21. Seconded by Ms. Deley. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

**MOTION was made by Mr. Conway to support Article 22. Seconded by Ms. Deley. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

Mr. DiGiuseppe moved on to explain Article 23 (Zoning Bylaw Amendment: Chapter 175, Section 12.2 – Initiation of Amendments and Section 12.4 – Zoning Map Amendment). He advised that there is a law that requires that they put signs out for zoning changes and that they will still have to notify abutters, use social media, the Media Center, etc. Mr. Conway asked if that meant that they are going to do less to notify people of changes. Mr. DiGiuseppe answered that it would not and that it would actually result in the opposite.

**MOTION was made by Ms. Deley to support Article 23. Seconded by Ms. Steele. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

**MOTION was made by Mr. Flaherty to refer the five articles to the Planning Board for their non-binding report. Seconded by Ms. Deley. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele –**



**Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

**B. Old Business**

There was no old business to discuss.

**C. Town Manager's Report**

Mr. Yunits updated the Board on the following:

Carroll Advertising had their hearing today with the Office of Outdoor Advertising and they should hear back in about 2 weeks on the decision.

They had a preconstruction meeting on the Route 123/East Main Street project. He reported that they have a start date of July 11<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Yunits stated that a concern was raised about the delay in deliveries of items made of steel, which is what the traffic signals will be made of. He advised that they figure from the time they order these materials it will be about six months before they get them; so, six months from July means that they probably will not have the materials before the winter. They will start on July 11<sup>th</sup> with tree and water removal as well as relocating poles.

There was a meeting last week on Juniper Beach with representatives from the Police Department, Fire Department, Highway Department, Conservation, Ms. Paula Stearns, and Mr. Dave Lennon of the Water Bodies Committee. Mr. Yunits stated that one of the things the Police Department suggested was putting out signage similar to what they have in the town bylaw for parks including that Juniper Beach is closed from 5:00 P.M. to 5:00 A.M. He advised that they need to look at the bylaw to see if they need to change it to include this property. The Town Manager informed the Board that the Fire Department is concerned about having access to pond with their boat, so one section will have fire lane signs. Mr. Yunits further mentioned that they are going to look and see if there are any grants or if SRPEDD has hours to do a study of waterways for recreation and look at what it will cost to survey that property to see where the limits are. He clarified that when signs are made for the fire lanes there will also be a sign for no fires on the islands, which will be put up at Juniper Beach as well. He added that the Police Department plans to speak with the owners of Jasmine Garden to see if they can put a sign there as well that will outline what is allowed, the hours the waterbodies are open for us, and that no fires are allowed on the islands.

Mr. Conway asked if there were any further conversations about having a gate installed at Juniper Beach. Mr. Yunits said there was some discussion, which is part of the reason why they are looking to do a survey of the property to see where limits are. The Town Manager stated that it just didn't seem like a possibility right now, but they are looking into this. Ms. Deley mentioned looking into a cheaper electronic gate, which Mr. Yunits agreed they could look into. Ms. Deley said that based off of discussions at previous meetings regarding the size of vehicles on the water and the depth of the waterbodies that some of the boats shown in pictures didn't seem appropriate for in the Reservoir.

V. **Selectmen's Report and Mail**

Mr. Conway said that he was reminded by a resident on Freeman Street that near 40 Freeman Street there was a loose manhole there and every time someone drives over it, it sounds like a bomb going off. He asked Mr. Yunits to have the Highway Superintendent address this.

Mr. Conway brought up a letter received regarding the West Main Street sewer project. Mr. Bramwell said that Water/Sewer would be at their next meeting and suggested asking them at their next meeting.

Mr. Conway asked if there was a noise ordinance for the Town about loud animals because a resident was experiencing noise from donkeys and chickens. Mr. Yunits advised that the resident should contact the Animal Control Officer.

Mr. Flaherty wanted to commend the students, teachers, and the parents that became home-schooling teachers in result of COVID-19 and how well they all handled things.

Mr. Conway mentioned that there was a Black Lives Matter rally and ceremony on the common last week where the Police Chief, Mr. Brian Clark, was present for and spoke of doing community outreach.

VI. **Meeting Minutes**

**MOTION was made by Ms. Deley to approve the amended Minutes from February 6, 2020 and February 13, 2020. Seconded by Ms. Steele. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.**

The Board agreed to approve the remaining minutes at their next meeting on Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M.

VIII. **Warrants**

Report of Chairman, Bradford K. Bramwell, that he approved the following Payroll and Invoice Warrants:

A. Payroll Warrant PR20-24 for the week ended May 30, 2020, Warrant dated June 4, 2020, in the amount of \$1,539,159.49.

B. Invoice Warrant AP 20-49 dated June 4, 2020, in the amount of \$1,577,809.97.

C. Invoice Warrant AP20-50 dated June 11, 2020, in the amount of \$429,502.51.

IX. **Other Business**

There was no other business to discuss.

X. **Next Meeting's Agenda** – Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M.

XI. **Executive Session**

To discuss strategy as it relates to collective bargaining with union and non-union personnel.

XII. **Adjournment**

Declaration by the Vice-Chairman, Michael Flaherty, was made as follows:

I declare, under General Laws Chapter 30A, §21A(a)(3), that the purpose of the executive session will be to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with union and non-union personnel, because a discussion of the strategy in open session could compromise the purpose of the executive session and with the Board to not return to open session at the conclusion of the executive session.

Motion was made at 8:59 P.M. by Ms. Deley to have the Board go into executive session under G.L. c.30A, §21(a)(3) for the purposes and reasons declared by the Vice-Chairman and with the Board to not return to open session thereafter. Seconded by Mr. Conway. Vote: Ms. Deley – Yes; Ms. Steele – Yes; Mr. Conway – Yes; Mr. Flaherty – Yes; and Mr. Bramwell – Yes. MOTION CARRIES.


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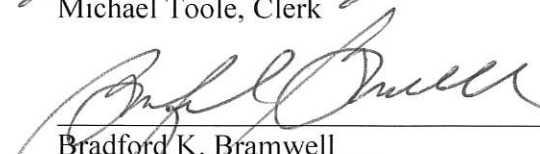
  
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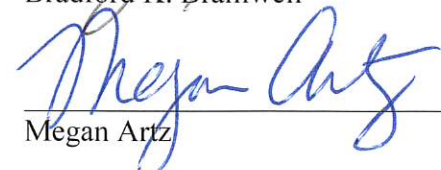
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