

# SELECTMEN'S MINUTES

July 14, 2021

6:00 P.M.

## I. OPEN MEETING

Millard Butler opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

### A. ROLL CALL

Millard Butler, Leslie Merrill, Brenda Clark, Tammy Buswell, and Danielle Withee were present.

### ELECTION OF CHAIR AND DEPUTY CHAIR

Upon motion by Danielle Withee, seconded by Leslie Merrill, it was voted 4 to 0 to nominate Millard Butler for Chairman of the Board. (Millard Butler abstained as he felt with him not being in Town during the Winter months could be a voting factor in the decision.)

There were no other nominations for Chairman of the Board.

Upon motion by Danielle Withee, seconded by Leslie Merrill, it was unanimously voted to Elect Millard Butler as Chairman of the Board.

Upon motion by Leslie Merrill, seconded by Tammy Buswell to nominate Danielle Withee as Deputy Chairman of the Board. Nomination not considered as there was not a vote by a Quorum of the Board.

Upon motion by Tammy Buswell, seconded by Leslie Merrill to nominate Brenda Clark as Deputy Chairman of the Board. Nomination not considered as there was not a vote by a Quorum of the Board.

Upon motion by Tammy Buswell, seconded by Danielle Withee, to nominate Leslie Merrill as Deputy Chairman of the Board.

Upon motion by Tammy Buswell, seconded by Danielle Withee, to elect Leslie Merrill as Deputy Chairman of the Board voted 3 to 2.

### Appointments of Officials from Town Meeting

This was done at Town Meeting and consensus of the Board was to put in the Rolling Thunder the Town is seeking Board of Appeal Members.

## B. MINUTES OF THE MEETING

### 1. Approve June 23, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Upon motion by Tammy Buswell, seconded by Leslie Merrill, it was unanimously voted to approve the June 23, 2021 Meeting Minutes.

### 2. Approval of Town Meeting Minutes (Tabled)

## C. QUIT CLAIM DEEDS

None.

#### D. WARRANT

##### 1. Advantage Payroll Warrant # 1

Upon motion by Millard Butler, seconded by Tammy Buswell, it was unanimously voted to approve Payroll Warrant#1

##### 2. Expenditures # 1

Upon motion by Tammy Buswell, seconded by Brenda Clark, it was unanimously voted to approve AP Warrant #1 with the exception of holding Crystal Waiculoniss health insurance stipend check.

#### E. BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Report from Assessing Agent

Questions were answered such as feelings of some people's homes being valued at too high and others at a lower rate. Danielle stated that is one of the reasons for sending mock tax bills to allow appointments to be made to discuss individual valuations and discussions, and to be sure most bills when sent are correct. The calendar for appointments will be sent up at a later date. Danielle requested permission to spend the funds to mail mock tax bills. Missed properties were also questioned, and in most part it is due to building permits not being submitted to her, but that is going much better now.

Upon motion by Millard Butler, seconded by Brenda Clark, it was unanimously voted to send out mock tax bills.

Danielle also informed the Board of the potential mill rate being 16.25 to 17.25 depending on the amount of overlay the board would like to have in place. Danielle recommends a mill rate of 17.25.

Commitment of taxes will take place the first meeting in September.

Millard Butler requested the repayment of the fine due to contract not being completed on time in the amount of \$5,600.00 and Danielle agreed.

Steve Ingalls questioned if the mill rate on the mock tax bills will be the 17.25 so if it comes in lower, the residents will be happy.

#### II. OLD BUSINESS

1. Foreclosure Buy Back Contract (Tabled)

2. Personnel policy (Tabled for Workshop)

Leslie Merrill noted that with the current Policy being over 10 years old, it is now obsolete anyway.

Danielle Withee noted that State Law prohibits smoking within so many feet of the building.

There will be a workshop scheduled for the next meeting from 5 to 6 p.m.

#### III. NEW BUSINESS

1. Sand and Gravel Bids

Diane will get copy of Ad for the Board to approve and Leslie will speak

with Joe Gray on the amount of Sand needed.

Leslie Merrill also reported that Street's Landscaping has offered to honor last year's prices

OTHER:

Diane informed the Board that a new Hava Computer will need to be purchased.

Rita Albee noted the need of a porta potty at the fields for events. Diane will contact Corey Leighton.

Diane questioned the dollar figure the Board wanted to charge for agent fees for Motor Vehicle Registrations. Diane also noted those fees are a revenue to the town. Diane will verify the amounts to vote upon.

It was also discussed and noted on which pages of the Sheriffs report are public and which are confidential.

Appointments of Officials

Done at Town Meeting.

Danielle Withee questioned if the Parks and Rec director was now Shannon Furrow. Diane informed the Board that she has not been contacted by Corey Leighton that he is no longer doing it, but that she will verify that.

### III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. ANIMAL CONTROL Nothing.

B. APPEALS BOARD Noted above.

C. CEMETERY Julie Brownie was present and presented the Cemetery Committees report (see attached). She also noted some tree limbs that were a concern, Millard will meet on sight with Julie and see if it is a task he could do.

D. CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER Nothing.

E. E911 Nothing.

F. EDUCATION Nothing.

G. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE Nothing.

H. EMT/RESCUE Nothing.

I. FIRE DEPARTMENT Nothing.

J. MEETINGHOUSE Nothing.

K. PARKS & RECREATION Nothing.

L. PLANNING BOARD Nothing.

M. PLUMBING INSPECTOR Nothing.

N. RECYCLING & SOLID WASTE COLLECTION Nothing.

O. ROAD COMMISSIONER Nothing.

P. STATE LEGISLATIVE CORRESPONDANCE Nothing.

Q. TREASURER Nothing.

R. WELFARE DIRECTOR Nothing.

S. OTHER

IV. TRAINING

Tax /General Ledger training.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jody Lyford questioned the list of expenses that was distributed at Town Meeting and felt they were incorrect. Jody also stated that the echo boards were not of importance at this time. Consensus of the Board was to look at these items at budget time next year.

VI. SELECTMEN COMMENTS

Brenda Clark apologized to Tammy Buswell for what she felt was an inappropriate attitude during the election of Deputy Chairman of the Board of Selectman earlier in the meeting. Brenda also stated the need for the sounding boards in the community room. Consensus is there are no funds available at this time to do so.

Tammy Buswell questioned old business that needs decisions on such as, Signs, lighting, etc.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Tammy Buswell, seconded by Leslie Merrill, it was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

.Millard Butler

Brenda Clark

Tammy Buswell

Leslie Merrill

Danielle Withee

Minutes are recorded by;  
Diane Lacadie