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Selectboard: Jeff Northgraves Walter Reitz John Spear

Selectboard Minutes
Date: August 4, 2021, 4:00 PM
Place: Municipal Building

REV:0

Selectboard Present: Jeff Northgraves, Walter Reitz, John Spear

Others Present: Terri-Lynn Baines, Town Attorney Kristin Collins, Phil Henley, Lynn

Canavan, Ann Just, Sondra Wallace

Note: A listing as present does not denote attendance for the entire meeting.

I. Call to Order

Spear called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm.

II. Adjustments to Agenda

There were no adjustments to the agenda.

III. Public Comment for Items not on the Agenda

There was no public comment.

IV. Discuss Broadband Planning Considerations for the Town

Henley presented an overview of what is happening Statewide with broadband.

OtherTopics Discussed:

Open network model

Otelco and MIDC

Funding, municipalities and IPS operators.

The Axiom Feasibility Study.

What percentage of the town is underserved and what it means to be underserved. Spectrum

V. Executive Session Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6)(e) to Discuss the Town's Legal Rights and Duties Regarding a Potential Interlocal Agreement for Provisions of Broadband Service.

Northgraves moved and Reitz seconded a motion to enter executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6)(e) to discuss the Town's legal rights and duties regarding a potential Interlocal Agreement for provisions of broadband service.

Motion passed 3-0.

Spear invited Ann Just and Lynn Canavan from the technology committee to join the executive session.

The Board entered executive session at 5:05

The Board exited executive session at 6:05

VI. Consideration of Using ARP Funds to Provide Covid 19 Vaccine Incentives
Spear's Covid 19 Vaccine Incentive proposal is to offer a \$200 incentive for South
Thomaston Residents, Non-residents employed in South Thomaston, Non-residents
temporarily living in South Thomaston, other frequent visitors at the discretion of the
Town Administrator, who receive a Covid 19 vaccine. To be eligible the first shot must
be administered between August 4, 2021 and September 12, 2021. The second shot
much be administered to collect incentive but can be after September 12. A copy of

the Covid 19 Vaccination Record Card will be required. Other documentation that will be required, is one of the following: registered voter card, vehicle registration, utility bill, rental receipt, note/email from employer, note from resident or property owner attesting, other self-attestations at the discretion of the Town Administrator. Discussion followed about vaccinations and vaccination rates.

Reitz moved and Northgraves seconded a motion to enact the Vaccine Incentive Proposal as proposed by Chairman Spear, with up to a \$600 budget for publicity.

Motion passed 3-0.

VII. Adjournment

Reitz Moved and Northgraves seconded a motion to adjourn at 6:18 **Motion passed 3-0.**

Selectboard approved August 24, 2021