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Walter Reitz
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Selectboard Minutes

Date: June 7, 2022, 6:00 PM at the Municipal Building

Items Are Often Taken Out of Order to Accommodate Schedules

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Selectboard Present: Jeff Northgraves, John Spear, Walter Reitz

Others Present: Terri-Lynn Baines, Pennie Alley, Catherine Bendheim, Theo Pratt, Dan Hendricks,

Candace Smith, Maureen Spencer, Ambulance Director Amy Drinkwater, Avery Madore

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

I. Call to Order

Spear called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

II. Adjustments to Agenda

Executive Session- Personnel Matter Town Report Dedication

Dan Hendricks- On the Rocks Bartending

III. Public Comment for Items not on the Agenda

There was no public comment.

IV. Review and Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes (May 18th, May 24th)

Northgraves moved and Reitz seconded a motion to approve the minutes of May 18th and May 24th.

Motion passed 3-0.

V. Old Business

a. Discussion on Amending the Remote Meeting Policy

The Board reviewed the State's amended policy on remote meetings.

Spear had several thoughts he would like to add to the Town's remote meeting policy and will then circulate the amended policy to all the committee chairs.

The Selectboard will revisit the Remote Meeting Policy at the June 21st Selectboard meeting.

b. Consider Acceptable Use Agreement

There was a brief discussion on the MMA recommended Computer Use Policy. After a discussion it was recommended the Town's policy be sent to MMA to see if our current policy is acceptable to MMA Risk Management.

c. By-Laws of the South Thomaston Library and Community Center Auxiliary.

The Board discussed the comments offered by Gabe Tomasulo, on behalf of the Library and Community Center Facility Committee, after the Library and Community Center Facility Committee had met and reviewed the by-laws.

There was a discussion on what the non-profit can spend money on.

The Selectboard did not make any changes to the By-laws or the associated warrant article.

d. Discussion Regarding Creating a Recreation Committee

The Selectboard discussed creating a recreation committee. After a brief discussion it was decided to wait for the new selectboard member and to send out a notice to see if there is interest from town residents in having and or volunteering on a recreation committee.

VI. New Business

a. On the Rocks Bar Tending.

Dan Hendricks had an application for an event on June 25th at the Saltwater Fields Wedding and Event Center. The Board will address the application at the meeting of June 21st.

b. Consider Authorizing Town Attorney Collins to Send an Associate to the Next Planning Board Meeting

Northgraves described the discussion he, CEO Dates and Town Attorney Collins had surrounding the Wilson issues. Collins would like to attend the meeting to assist the Planning Board with the application from Wilson. The Board discussed approving the request from Collins.

Reitz moved and Northgraves seconded a motion to authorize Collin's request. **Motion passed 3-0**.

c. Sign 2022 Town Meeting Warrant

Reitz moved and Northgraves seconded a motion to approve the Warrant as presented.

There was a brief discussion on the tax levy limit and moderator rules.

Motion passed 3-0.

d. Accept Donation to the Fire Department

Reitz moved and Northgraves seconded a motion to gratefully accept Mr. Levine's donation to the Fire Department.

Motion passed 3-0.

e. New Hire- Ambulance Director

Ambulance Director Drinkwater presented Avery Madore as a new hire. Madore has taken the Basic EMT course and has passed the practical part and is waiting to take the written exam. He is currently working in St. George. He would like to cover South Thomaston when needed. Madore will be taking the Advanced EMT class.

Reitz moved and Northgraves seconded a motion to authorize the Ambulance Director to offer employment to Avery Madore as a driver, soon to be an EMT.

Motion passed 3-0.

Drinkwater received a grant to send an advanced EMT to medic school. She also received a grant to cover 20 slots in an EMT class.

f. Town Report Dedication

The town reports were received today. Northgraves read aloud the dedication of the 2021-22 Town Report. The 2021-22 Town Report was dedicated to the Ambulance Crew and Fire Department.

g. Executive Session- Personnel Matter

Reitz moved and Northgraves seconded a motion to enter executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) a Personnel Matter.

Motion passed 3-0.

The Board entered executive session at 7:12 pm. The Board exited executive session at 7:20 pm.

Reitz moved and Northgraves seconded a motion to award a \$500 performance award to Terri Baines.

Motion passed 3-0.

VII. Correspondence

2020 Post-Census Group Quarters Review Program

Sarah Evan – regarding BYOB Permit

The Board reviewed the correspondence.

VIII. Warrants Review and Approval

The Selectboard approved the Warrants.

IX. Review Items for Next Agenda

Tax Acquired Lot

Discussion with Chief Calderwood Concerning Involving the Fire Department in the Planning

Board Process of Issuing Permits

Remote Meeting Policy

Use Agreement Policy

X. Schedule Future Meetings

Meetings scheduled: June 21st, June 28th Town Meeting, July 12th

XI. Adjourn

Reitz moved and Northgraves seconded a motion to adjourn at 7:20 pm.

Motion passed 3-0.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Selectboard approved June 21, 2022