

MINUTES
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
February, 22 2021

Call to Order. The Town of Campton Board of Selectmen meeting was called to order at 5:30p.m. on Monday, February 22, 2021 by Chairman Craig Keeney via Zoom. Due to the ongoing emergency orders in place, the Board is operating under RSA 91-A:2 that allows for remote participation by Board Members.

The following Selectmen were present:

Craig Keeney, Chair
Karl Kelly, Vice Chair
Sharon Davis
Bill Cheney
Dan Boynton

Five members being present, a quorum (3) has been reached. Town Administrator Carina Park was present along employees Police Chief Kevin Foss, and Jade Hartsgrrove. Town Clerk/ Tax Collector, Hannah Joyce was also present. Members from the public Nik Coates, and Ron Goggans.

Approval of Minutes: Selectman Davis made a motion to approve the Public minutes and budget hearing minutes and as corrected from February 8, 2021. Selectman Boynton seconded the motion, and the Board voted unanimously to accept.

New Business

Citizen Concern/ Formal Complaint: No call, no show. Chairman Keeney said to skip past for now.

Blair Bridge Preservation- Height Restrictors & Repairs: After the Blair Bridge being hit again last week the Board had discussion on what they can do to deter oversize vehicles from using Blair Bridge. There was a suggestion on putting height restrictors hanging on each side of the bridge. Also talk about different signage, and placement of the signage. Chief Foss said that a lot of people claim they don't see the sign until it's too late. Chief Foss suggested signs saying "low bridge" or "no thru trucks". The Board likes Chief Foss's recommendation and asked him to be in touch with the highway crew to put the signs up once they are in hand. Carina said that Arnold Graton reached out and she asked him for a quote for the repairs because Primex will need one, but to not do any repairs, just the quote for now. Chairman Keeney said he would like to speak to Arnold about maybe taking the lower braces out if the bridge would still be structurally sound. The Board also asked Carina to get a quote from Arnold for the height restrictors as well.

2021 Fee Schedule: Carina informed the Board the office has updated the fee schedule. We have added a fee for subdivision and septic maps as we now have the capability to make copies. The other updated fee is for 10+ electronic tax cards. It is quite time consuming for the tax cards when there is multiple as we have to save them different and individually before they can be sent out. Often times these large requests for tax cards is abutter research and they need mailing addresses. Chairman Keeney asked if it

was compared to what other towns charge, Carina said no, the Town used to charge \$1 per card, so now it is just formalized. Selectman Davis made a motion to adopt the new fee schedule as proposed, Selectman Kelly seconded the motion, the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Revised Driveway Permit: After discussion previously about changing the minimum culvert size for a driveway permit Carina is looking for the Boards approval of the updated one. After discussion, it was determined that there would be times where there may be no culvert required. Carina said she will revise the permit to say 12" inch, other, or none. Selectman Boynton made a motion to adopt the permit as corrected, Selectman Davis seconded, the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Correspondence

Arm Grant: Carina explained to the Board that they need to make a motion this evening to allow Selectman Boynton to sign for the Arm Grant for the Conservation Committee for the land purchase. Selectman Davis made a motion to allow Dan Boynton to sign for the Arm Grant, Selectman Cheney seconded. The Board voted in favor except Selectman Boynton abstained.

Camera System: John Adams got back with a quote on the upgrade for the camera system. The quote is for \$1000.00. This will be 12 channels vs. 8 which is what is currently in place. Carina said that Selectman Boynton said he would like to get another quote so; did the Board want to wait? Selectman Boynton said the Adams company has been working with the Town for a while and handles the security, long trusted company, there is no need for another quote. Chairman Keeney asked Police Chief Kevin Foss if 12 will be enough or does he see the Town exceeding that amount anytime in the near future? Chief Foss said that should be plenty, and thinks that there should be one added outdoors at the highway garage. Selectman Davis made a motion to accept the quote from JS Adams for the upgrade, Selectman Cheney seconded it, the Board voted all in favor.

DES Perch Pond Dam: In 2019 DES did an inspection on Perch Pond dam and they sent the report. Carina said it mostly stated about brush cutting and cleaning the dam. Chairman Keeney asked where the dam was as he didn't think there was one on perch pond, he knows of an outlet pipe and that is the closest thing to him that resembles a dam. Chairman Keeney expressed his concerns about this considering what happened with Deer Run Dam and how it ended up costing the Town quite a bit of money. Chairman Keeney asked for Carina to forward the correspondence so he can look further into this matter.

Committee Updates

Selectman Boynton: The Conservation Commission is moving forward with the 9-1-1 property and everything is going well.

Chairman Keeney: Nothing has changed with the CIP. He also asked Selectman Davis if she knows how the Library Study committee is going. Selectman Davis says she is not sure but will reach out.

Chairman Cheney: There hasn't been a Road Committee meeting for a while.

There were no other updates.

Board Concerns & Directives

Selectman Boynton/Town Meeting: Selectman Boynton thinks it is important that Town Meeting be postponed. With executive order 83 it allows the Select Board to make decisions regarding Town Meeting. He would like to see Town Meeting postponed until the 2nd week in May. Selectman Cheney said Town Counsel did say the Governor may make an order such as this, and he is ok with postponing Town Meeting. Chairman Keeney expressed he is having a hard time deciding, he was ok pushing it out before, and it has hit close to home for him. Selectman Davis said Plymouth is pushing their meeting out until the 2nd week in April, so that is also an option, but she supports the 2nd week of May. Carina said she will need guidance on how to change the date as the deadline for posting was 2/22/21. She will reach out to town counsel. Hannah Joyce said to the Chairman that this was supposed to be in collaboration with the Town Clerk and the Moderator. Selectman Boynton explained to Hannah the Board spoke with the Town Attorney and the Board has the authority to make this decision. Selectman Boynton made a motion to postpone Town Meeting until the 2nd week in May providing that Town Attorney says the Board can change it after the deadline, Selectman Davis seconded the Motion, Chairman Keeney, Selectman Davis, Boynton and Cheney all voted in favor. Selectman Kelly did not vote as he was having technical difficulties.

Selectman Davis: Would like to see something get done with Blair Bridge

Selectman Kelly: None

Selectman Cheney: None

Chairman Keeney: None

Appointments: Carina forwarded a list of people who are appointed and their terms are up. She would like to know if the Board would still like her to send out the letters to the incumbents and find out where they are and invite them in to speak with the Board. The Board would like her to send out the letters as normal. Election will still be in March. There was discussion if people will still get sworn in after election or after the annual meeting. Hannah Joyce said they will be sworn in as normal. The Board wants to check with the Town Attorney as he said something different.

Privilege of the Floor

-NONE-

The Board asked if they needed to go into non-public session, and Carina said she had no update so at this point they didn't need to.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Chairman Keeney adjourned the public meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jade Hartsgrove
Minutes Recorder