

**TOWN OF LAKEVILLE**  
**Board of Selectmen**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**February 11 2019 – 6:30 PM**  
**Lakeville Senior Center – 1 Dear Crossing**

On February 11, 2019, the Board of Selectmen held a meeting at 6:30 PM at the Lakeville Senior Center. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Burke at 6:30 PM. Selectmen present were: Selectman Burke, Selectman Hollenbeck and Selectman Powderly. Also present were Rita Garbitt, Town Administrator, Tracie Craig-McGee, Executive Assistant and Lorraine Carboni, Town Coordinator. LakeCAM was recording the meeting for broadcast.

**Meet with Fire Chief regarding request to appoint Ryan Barratt as a Full Time Firefighter/EMT**

*Michael O'Brien, Fire Chief, was present for the discussion.* Chief O'Brien said that Mr. Barratt has been a Call Firefighter since 2013. Selectman Powderly asked where is he in the paramedic status. Chief O'Brien said he is doing his 500 hours ride along time now. He has completed all the testing.

Upon a motion made by Chairman Burke and seconded by Selectman Powderly, it was:

VOTED: To approve the appointment of Ryan Barratt contingent upon the following: medical examination and successful completion of physical abilities test; Full-Time Firefighters Recruit Academy; one year probationary period and licensure as a Paramedic within one year of appointment.  
Unanimous in favor.

**Meet with Fire Chief to discuss Ambulance Billing Rates**

*Michael O'Brien, Fire Chief, was present for the discussion.* Ms. Garbitt said in 2018 the Selectmen voted to increase the rates, but according to Comstar, we did not. Discussion occurred regarding ambulance write offs.

Upon a motion made by Selectman Powderly and seconded by Chairman Burke, it was:

VOTED: To change Lakeville's Ambulance Rates to Comstar's Average Bundled Top 50 Rates as supplied to us, effective February 1, 2019.  
Unanimous in favor.

**Meet with Northeast Alternatives regarding Host Community Agreement for a Medical and Recreational Marijuana Cultivation Facility at 310 Kenneth Welch Drive**

*Chris Hawkins and Steve LaBelle from Northeast Alternatives were present for the discussion.* Selectman Hollenbeck said with regards to employee parking, you will need to make sure you talk to the Planning Board about that. Chris Hawkins said that Thomas Parenteau has other properties that they can shuttle people back and forth to. Selectman Hollenbeck asked about the

timeline. Mr. Hawkins said about six (6) to eight (8) months. Selectman Hollenbeck said traffic and smell mitigation will be dealt with in the Special Permit. Selectman Powderly said there is no on-street parking.

Upon a motion made by Selectman Powderly and seconded by Chairman Burke, it was:

VOTED: To enter into a Host Community Agreement with Northeast Alternatives, Inc. for the property located at 310 Kenneth Welch Drive.  
Unanimous in favor.

**Discuss and vote on request to designate the position of Part-Time Council on Aging Clerk as a Special Municipal Employee**

Chairman Burke read the request to designate the position of Part-Time Council on Aging Clerk as a Special Municipal Employee.

Upon a motion made by Chairman Burke and seconded by Selectman Powderly, it was:

VOTED: To designate the position of Part-Time Council on Aging Clerk as a Special Municipal Employee.  
Unanimous in favor.

**Discuss request from Lakeville Arts Council to use Dickran Diran Square, Center Stage and the Town House on October 5, 2019 for the 2019 Arts & Music Festival**

Chairman Burke read the request from the Lakeville Arts Council to use Dickran Diran Square, Center Stage and the Town House on October 5, 2019 for the 2019 Arts & Music Festival. They would like access to the properties from October 2-8, 2019 for set-up and clean-up.

Upon a motion made by Chairman Burke and seconded by Selectman Powderly, it was:

VOTED: To allow the Lakeville Arts Council to use Dickran Diran Square, Center Stage and the Town House on October 5, 2019 for the 2019 Arts & Music Festival.  
Unanimous in favor.

**Discuss request from Spark Bike Run Sports to hold The Mix Tape Cycling Event on April 14, 2019**

Chairman Burke read the request from Spark Bike Run Sports to hold The Mix Tape Cycling Event on April 14, 2019. He noted that the Fire and Police Chiefs have approved the event.

Upon a motion made by Chairman Burke and seconded by Selectman Powderly, it was:

VOTED: To approve The Mix Tape Cycling Event to be held on April 14, 2019.  
Unanimous in favor.

## **Discuss request from South Shore Race Management to hold the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Lakeville Police Hot Pursuit 5K Road Race on September 21, 2019**

Chairman Burke read the request from South Shore Management to hold the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Lakeville Police Hot Pursuit 5K Road Race on September 21, 2019. He noted that the Fire and Police Chiefs have approved the event.

Upon a motion made by Chairman Burke and seconded by Selectman Powderly, it was:

VOTED: To approve the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Lakeville Police Hot Pursuit 5K Road Race on September 21, 2019.  
Unanimous in favor.

## **New Business**

There was no New Business discussed.

## **Old Business**

### **Update on Town Hall Re-design**

Ms. Garbitt said the file cabinets are on order with a delivery date of three (3) to four (4) weeks. The initial setup did not work, and we had W.B. Mason come out and re-do it.

### **Update on Community Compact HR Grant**

Ms. Garbitt said the Hiring Policy is the last major thing to be done.

### **Update on New Police Station**

Chairman Burke said there is a Police Station walk through on February 15<sup>th</sup> for the Committee Members and Selectmen. Selectman Hollenbeck asked is this still on target for April completion. Chairman Burke said yes. Selectman Hollenbeck said we should check the bond rates for funding. Ms. Garbitt said she is going to have the Treasurer do the next \$2 million BAN and will speak to Lynne Foster to develop a timeline. Selectman Hollenbeck said does the disbursement include transfers from the Water Stabilization Fund. Ms. Garbitt said \$124,100 is the last item. Selectman Hollenbeck asked about using other funding sources. Ms. Garbitt will ask the Town Accountant.

### **Update on Route 79 Project**

Selectman Powderly said they are now talking about 100 poles and 9,000 square feet of land takings, along with permanent and temporary easements. There will be a walk through on April 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM from Galfre Road to Clear Pond Road to look at where the sidewalks will be and where the poles will be moved. We weren't going to rip up the road from Precinct Street to Galfre Road, but because they are adding a sidewalk, that creates drainage issues and they want to dig up the road, because it is cheaper. They are saying the damages to be paid are \$1.5 to \$2

million that we pay for, and we pay BETA more. We are looking at as much as \$3,000,000 out of our pocket. Selectman Hollenbeck said she would like to know if any of the extra takings are related to the change in design. Selectman Hollenbeck asked if this is DOT or BETA saying that everything has changed. Ms. Garbitt said Gerry Doherty from MassDOT said it. Selectman Hollenbeck asked about sending a letter with our concerns to Secretary Pollack. Selectman Powderly said we need to do the walk through first.

#### **Update from Selectman Hollenbeck regarding FY20 Budget Summary**

Selectman Hollenbeck reviewed the FY20 draft budget numbers with \$900,000 in increased educational costs. There is a current deficit of \$600,000 in the budget right now, but this includes all Department Heads' wish list items. Selectman Powderly reviewed some items from the Regional School District Budget. Selectman Powderly said District enrollment went up 54 students, of which only 28 lived in Lakeville or Freetown; the rest were School Choice.

#### **Update from Selectman Hollenbeck regarding the Dam Management Meeting and conversation with Senator Rodrigues**

Selectman Hollenbeck said the meeting was on February 5<sup>th</sup>. She wrote a grant for \$150,000 under the Community Compact to access the funds from the House Bill #4375 for engineering work to study the Assawompset Pond Complex. A community needs to be the intermediary between the State and the funds to request the funds, so we will be the conduit for the study. Chairman Burke said this is the first step to access more money for a long term strategy to alleviate the problem with the pond complex. Selectman Hollenbeck said we need to make sure that we have enough volunteers to help in case of flooding. Selectman Powderly said we need to speak to Dan Hopkins and Chief O'Brien to have more meetings to determine who is doing what. Selectman Hollenbeck said we all need to be aware of what is going on.

At 7:24 PM, upon a motion made by Chairman Burke and seconded by Selectman Powderly it was:

VOTED: To enter into Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. c.30A, §21a (1) to discuss the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual and not to return to open session.  
Polled vote: Selectman Hollenbeck – aye; Selectman Burke – aye and Selectman Powderly – aye.

### **Other Items**

1. Letter from Allen & Major Associates regarding Blueberry Estates Taunton Water application
2. Notice from Plymouth County Registry of Deeds regarding Community Preservation Act Surcharge Funds Collected in 2018
3. Letter from Massachusetts Municipal Association regarding Essay Contest for 8<sup>th</sup> Graders
4. Comcast Form 500
5. Verizon Form 500

### **List of documents provided at the Board of Selectmen Meeting of February 11, 2019**

1. Letter from Fire Chief regarding appointment of Ryan Barratt; letter from Fire Chief regarding possible changes to the EMS rates; rate comparison chart; Comstar Rate Change Form; Ambulance Billing Account Reconciliation Report
2. Letter from Steve LaBelle and Chris Hawkins; balance sheet for Northeast Alternatives, Inc.; letter of intent/option to lease and business plan for Northeast Alternative, Inc.
3. Disclosure by Special Municipal Employee of Financial interest in a Municipal Contract as required by G.L. c. 268A, s. 20c for Paula Burdick
4. Letter from Lakeville Arts Council regarding 2019 Annual Arts & Music Festival; request form to use Town Property
5. Letter from Spark Bike Sun Sports requesting to hold the Mix Tape Cycling Event; route map; Event Notification Form for MassDOT; Certificate of Insurance; and email from Fire Chief
6. Letter from South Shore Race Management requesting to hold the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Lakeville Police Hot Pursuit 5K Road Race; route map; emails from Police and Fire Chief
7. None
8. Police Station Budget Report #10; change order log; contract summary and picture of logo on the front of the station; FY20 Budget Summary; FY20 Assessment for Old Colony; the FY20 budget for the Region; and FY20 Debt Schedule