TOWN OF LAKEVILLE Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes February 17, 2021 – 7:00 PM REMOTE LOCATION

On February 17, 2021, the Board of Selectmen held a meeting at 7:00 PM remotely from various locations. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman LaCamera. Selectmen present were: Chairman LaCamera, Selectman Fabian and Selectman Day. Also present was Tracie Craig-McGee, Executive Assistant. LakeCAM was recording the meeting for broadcast.

In accordance with the Governor's Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.30A, §20, relating to the 2020 novel Coronavirus outbreak emergency, the February 17, 2021 public meeting of the **Board of Selectmen** shall be physically closed to the public to avoid group congregation. **However, to view this meeting in progress, please go to facebook.com/lakecam (you do not need a Facebook account to view the meeting). This meeting will be recorded and available to be viewed at a later date at http://www.lakecam.tv/**

Chairman LaCamera then read an introduction regarding the need for a remote meeting and how a remote meeting will be conducted.

Review and vote to award the Request for Proposals for the Loon Pond Lodge Event Management and Food and Beverage Service

Chairman LaCamera said we requested proposals for the event management and food and beverage service for Loon Pond Lodge. There are two (2) steps to the process. The first is to evaluate each of the responses and then we would review the price proposals once the evaluations are done. Selectmen Day said he would like to reach out to any references. Selectman Fabian asked if anyone has any questions on the responses. Selectmen Day said he reviewed the criteria and the items to be included. He felt that there were two (2) proposals that met the requirements and one (1) that did not. Chairman LaCamera said it will be a tough decision as we have two (2) very qualified companies to provide all the services we are looking for. It was decided to ask for an additional reference from Boston Tavern as one (1) of the reference given was a Town employee. Chairman LaCamera said we received proposals from Boston Tavern, Fireside Grille and Dream Wedding and Events, LLC from Florida. It was decided that Chairman LaCamera would contact the first references for each vendor; Selectmen Fabian the second and Selectman Day the third.

Covid19 Vaccine Update

Chairman LaCamera read the press release that had gone out about the status of the vaccination clinic in Lakeville. We have been notified that the State will not be distributing any vaccines to municipalities, effective March 1, 2021. The Governor opened up the phase to 65 and over at mass vaccine sites and some pharmacies. That does address the local need to help vaccinate our seniors. We are ready, but don't see any vaccines coming soon in the month of March. There are a million people 65 and over and only 70,000 vaccines are coming per week. Selectman Fabian said it would be great for us to vaccinate our residents, especially the seniors with mobility issues. Selectmen Day said we are ready to go if the opportunity arises. Chairman LaCamera said our preparation for the clinic took months for training and to purchase the supplies.

New Business

There was no new business discussed.

Old Business

FY22 Budget

Chairman LaCamera said we will be setting up the joint meetings with the Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen on March 9th and 10th starting at 6:00 PM. The budget is being worked on; we are waiting for a few items. We just met with the School Department to discuss their budget. The School Committee is meeting on the 24th to review the budget. They are looking for \$985,000 from us. Old Colony is looking for \$280,000, but we only have \$1.1 million to spend. We feel a more reasonable number is in the \$500,000 range for the Region.

Chairman LaCamera said Lakeville has been allocated \$1.6 million for CARES funds. The Regional is at \$1,028,000. We have about \$320,000 left for the Town after what we have already processed. here should be additional funding if the stimulus bill passes. The reimbursements for the Region are figured on the percentage of the student population and we are at 62%. Freetown is only putting up \$609,000, but the Region is going to ask for an additional \$100,000. Selectmen Day asked if the Region is able to break down what they are going after. Chairman LaCamera said he will forward the reimbursement list to the other Selectmen. Chairman LaCamera said we are funding the Chromebooks. They also have E&D funds that they could use.

FY22 Capital Plan

Chairman LaCamera said the FY22 Capital Plan will be included in the budget books.

Town Administrator Search Committee update

Selectman Fabian said the Search Committee has received some great candidates. The semifinalist interviews are next Wednesday. We will get a letter to the Selectmen regarding the names of the finalists for interview on March 1st and will receive all the information gathered on the finalists. Chairman LaCamera asked if the interviews are on the same night? It was decided to start the interviews at 2:00 PM. Chairman LaCamera asked if the Board would be ready to decide that night or do we post another meeting to review the interviews before we decide. Selectman Fabian said the Board should post March 2nd at 6:30 PM to decide. Selectmen Day asked about the questions. Selectman Fabian said the Search Committee is submitting their questions now. You can come up with our own questions or pick some of the Search Committee questions. You have to ask the same questions of each candidate. Chairman LaCamera said the consultant will provide a list of questions for us to use and we can pick from them or add our own.

Any other business that may properly come before the meeting

There was no other business discussed.

At 7:47 PM, upon a motion made by chairman LaCamera and seconded by Selectman Fabian it was:

VOTED: Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. c.30A, §21a (3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with the Laborers', Police and Firefighter Unions and Non-Union Employees if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the Chairman so declares and not to return to Open Session

Roll call vote: Selectman Fabian – aye; Selectman Day – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

List of documents provided at the Board of Selectmen Meeting of February 17, 2021

- 1. Agenda page
- 2. Agenda page; copies of Responses for Proposal Boston Tavern, The Fireside and Dream Weddings and Events
- 3. Agenda page
- 4. Agenda page
- 5. Agenda page
- 6. Agenda page