# TOWN OF LAKEVILLE Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes October 5, 2020 – 6:30 PM REMOTE LOCATION

On October 5, 2020, the Board of Selectmen held a meeting at 6:30 PM remotely from various locations. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Chairman LaCamera. Selectmen present were: Chairman LaCamera, Selectman Fabian and Selectman Day. Also present were Maureen Candito, Town Administrator, and 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 October 5, 2020 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 <a href="http://www.lakecam.tv/">http://www.lakecam.tv/</a>** 

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

### **Selectmen Announcements**

The Board expressed their condolences to the family of former Selectman John Powderly regarding his passing.

Chairman LaCamera announced that in a joint decision between the Board and Maureen Candito, she is no longer employed as the Town Administrator.

Chairman LaCamera read the rest of the announcements.

### Discuss letter received from the Historical Commission regarding these topics:

Request to appoint Delia Murphy to the vacancy on the Historical Commission

Chairman LaCamera said the Historical Commission has requested that Delia Murphy be appointed to the Historical Commission.

Upon a motion made by Selectman Fabian and seconded by Selectman Day, it was:

VOTED: To appoint Delia Murphy to the Historical Commission for a term to expire July 31, 2021.

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

### Guidance on holding the Veteran's Day Observance – November 11, 2020

Chairman LaCamera said the Historical Commission has requested guidance regarding holding the Veterans' Day Observance. It was decided to speak to the Health Agent regarding this.

<u>Discuss formation of Lakeville's 175th Anniversary Committee – 2028 and request for the Historical</u> Commission members to be appointed to the Committee once formed

Chairman LaCamera said the Historical Commission is looking forward to the Town's 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2028. They have requested that the Board look at forming the official 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee. The Historical Commission Members would all like to be appointed to the Committee. Discussion occurred regarding the membership of the committee. The Historical Commission will be invited to attend the Selectmen's Meeting on October 19<sup>th</sup>.

## Review and vote to approve Warrant for November 3, 2020 Election

Chairman LaCamera said the Town Clerk requested that the Board of Selectmen approve the Warrant for the November 3, 2020 Election.

Upon a motion made by Selectman Fabian and seconded by Selectman Day, it was:

VOTED: To approve the Warrant for the November 3, 2020 Election.

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

#### Discuss and vote to sign contract with Green River Associates for IT Support

Selectman Day said the Town needed a short-term solution to bridge the time until a Request for Proposals for RFP is prepared for someone to provide IT support long term.

Upon a motion made by Selectman Fabian and seconded by Selectman Day, it was:

VOTED: To approve and authorize Chairman LaCamera to sign the contract with Green River Associated for IT Support for the Town.

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

# <u>Discuss and vote to sign contract with Environmental Partners for professional peer review services - Lakeville Hospital 43D site</u>

Chairman LaCamera said the Planning Board has received a proposal from Environmental Partners for professional peer review services for the Lakeville Hospital site. We have agreed that this is the right choice for an engineer for the Lakeville Hospital project. Selectman Day asked if the Planning Board agreed to the terms of the contract. Chairman LaCamera said yes.

Upon a motion made by Selectman Fabian and seconded by Selectman Day, it was:

VOTED: To approve and authorize Chairman LaCamera to sign the contract for Environmental Partners for professional peer review services for the Lakeville Hospital 43D site. Roll call vote: Selectman Fabian – aye; Selectman Day – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

# <u>Vote to appoint a member of the Board of Selectmen to sign Fire Department payroll as necessary</u>

Chairman LaCamera said we need to appoint a member of the Board of Selectmen to sign the Fire Department payroll as necessary.

Upon a motion made by Selectman Fabian and seconded by Selectman Day, it was:

VOTED: That any member of the Board of Selectmen can sign the payroll for the Fire Department.

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

### Vote to designate Todd Hassett, Town Accountant, as Town of Lakeville CARES Designee

Chairman LaCamera said the Board needed to designate Todd Hassett, Town Accountant, as the Town's CARES Designee. Selectman Day asked if he had all the necessary materials. Chairman LaCamera said Mr. Hassett is ready to submit them as soon as we approve this. He will also submit an anticipated cost report to Plymouth County for the School and Town.

Upon a motion made by Selectman Fabian and seconded by Selectman Day, it was:

VOTED: To designate Todd Hassett, Town Accountant, as the Town of Lakeville CARES Designee.

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

# Review request from Police Chief Matthew Perkins to appoint Jared Taje as a Lakeville Police Officer/Constable

Matthew Perkins, Chief of Police, and Jared Taje were present for the discussion. Chief Perkins noted there is a vacancy in the Department due to a retirement. He summarized Mr. Taje's qualifications.

Upon a motion made by Selectman Fabian and seconded by Selectman Day, it was:

VOTED: To appoint Jared Taje, effective October 11, 2020 with a probationary term to expire October 11, 2021, subject to medical and psychological examinations.

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

# <u>Vote to ratify vote of September 28, 2020 meeting to appoint Christopher Campeau as an</u> Associate Member to the Zoning Board of Appeals

Chairman LaCamera said the Board voted at its September 28, 2020 meeting to appoint Christopher Campeau as an Associate Member to the Zoning Board of Appeals and the vote needs to be ratified.

Upon a motion made by Selectman Fabian and seconded by Selectman Day, it was:

VOTED: To ratify the vote taken on September 28, 2020 to appoint Christopher Campeau as an Associate Member to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire July 31, 2021. Roll call vote: Selectman Fabian – aye; Selectman Day – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

# Review and vote to accept resignation letter of Kathleen Barrack from the Historical Commission

Chairman LaCamera said the Board received a letter of resignation from Kathleen Barrack from the Historical Commission. She has been a terrific member of the Commission for almost 20 years.

Upon a motion made by Selectman Fabian and seconded by Selectman Day, it was:

VOTED: To accept the resignation of Kathleen Barrack from the Historical Commission.

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

# Review and vote to approve Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes of August 17, 2020; September 9, 2020; September 14, 2020; September 18, 2020

Selectman Day said that he had not had a chance to review the minutes yet. This will be tabled until next meeting. Selectman Fabian will check her notes to see if Executive Session minutes had been approved.

### **New Business**

Chairman LaCamera said he had spoken to Edward Cullen, Health Agent, regarding Trick or Treating on Halloween, and he had some reservations. If people wear masks and social distance, he would be okay with it, but how do you enforce it? Our cases of Covid 19 are up again and we need to maintain our diligence. It is the Board of Health's call if they want to decide on this. Selectman Fabian said the most concerning areas for her would be the subdivisions. If you don't want trick or treaters, you don't turn your light on. She doesn't want to say no. People will be creative about celebrating. Selectman Day said people should follow Covid precautions. He would look to the Board of Health for guidance. He doesn't want to see our cases go up. People should be respectful and make the best choices. Selectman Fabian said she would hate to see multiple cases at the schools from trick or treating. Chairman LaCamera said we will receive guidance from the Board of Health agent.

Chairman LaCamera said we are looking at who will be handling the paperwork for the 43D project. The first 30 days is the most work. Once the application is complete, the work will level off.

Chairman LaCamera said at the next Selectmen's Meeting, the Board should discuss the options regarding replacing the Town Administrator.

Selectman Fabian said that multiple emails have come in regarding a scavenger hunt. Chairman LaCamera said one involved using Betty's Neck and he referred it to Nancy Yeatts, the APC Director. Selectman Fabian said they also inquired about using the Transfer Station and the Ted Williams Camp as check in stops. Chairman LaCamera said the Board has cancelled all the other events for the year. Selectman Fabian will follow up with Ms. Craig-McGee on this.

## **Old Business**

Selectman Fabian said the codification project for the by-laws has been pushed back until January.

# Update on former Lakeville Hospital property

Chairman LaCamera said once the 43D application has been submitted, the Town has 30-45 days to review it.

## Discuss FY21 Budget and Capital Plan

Chairman LaCamera said that he has been discussing with the Town Accountant if a Special Town Meeting is needed. We have received the new growth number at \$453,000, which was higher than what we estimated. State Aid has been level funded for FY21, and we had reduced it by \$132,000, so we don't have to do that. Revenues through September are coming in strong, but excise is a bit lower right now. For the Capital Plan, there is only one (1) thing that we need to get ordered and that is a pickup truck for the Fire Department, which will take six (6) to nine (9) months. We will go ahead and order it, subject to Town Meeting approval or take it out of Reserve Fund. He has spoken to the Chairman of the Finance Committee, and he is ok with not having a Special Town Meeting unless it is necessary. As long as we have the Annual Town Meeting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of May, we will be ok, so he is suggesting not to have a Special Town Meeting at this time.

#### Parking Clerk Hearing

Chairman LaCamera said the emails regarding the outstanding parking tickets are due back by October 15<sup>th</sup>. We also have a list of older outstanding parking tickets. As Parking Clerk, Selectman Day can make the decision as to whether he wants to cancel these tickets. Some go back to 1987. Selectman Day said he will be reviewing the list.

Chairman LaCamera said the interviews have been conducted for the Interim Treasurer/Collector. Selectman Day will be reviewing the interviews and meet with the Human Resources Director and Town Accountant to decide on a candidate.

Also, there are three (3) outstanding building projects: the new office at the Highway Department, the roof at Betty's Neck and the roof at the Town House. Materials have almost doubled in cost and are not available. Those projects may be delated until the market stabilizes.

## Any other business that may properly come before the meeting

There was no other business discussed.

### **Adjournment**

Upon a motion made by Selectman Fabian and seconded by Selectman Day, it was:

VOTED: To adjourn the Board of Selectmen's Meeting at 7:24 PM.

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

### **Other Items**

- 1. Invitation to attend Lakeville Council on Aging Volunteer Drive-Thru Luncheon November 5, 2020
- 2. Letter from Comcast regarding change in programming

# <u>List of documents provided at the Board of Selectmen Meeting of October 5, 2020</u>

- 1. Agenda page
- 2. Agenda page
- 3. Agenda page; letter from Historical Commission; letters of interest to serve on Historical Commission
- 4. Agenda page; copy of November 3, 2020 Election Warrant
- 5. Agenda page; copy of contract with Green River Environmental Partners
- 6. Agenda page; draft contract with Environmental Partners
- 7. Agenda page
- 8. Agenda page
- 9. Agenda page; letter from Police Chief
- 10. Agenda page
- 11. Agenda page; letter from Kathleen Barrack
- 12. Agenda page; draft Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes August 17, 2020; September 9, 2020; September 14, 2020 and September 18, 2020
- 13. Agenda page
- 14. Agenda page
- 15. Agenda page