

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 5, 2021
6:30PM

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Kevin Nichols, with the Pledge of Allegiance being said. Present: Steve Maheu, Kevin Nichols, Warren Hood, Angelo Terreri, Kurt Schaub, Lisa Bennett, Nathan Guptill. Absent: Kurt Youland. Guest: Wayne Viger, Betsy Bullard, Kim Brandt, Alex Cutter, Jacob Michaud and Wayne Davis.
- 2. Adjustments to the Agenda:** No adjustments to the agenda
- 3. Medical Marijuana License Renewal – Michaud/Route 4 Cultivation:** **3-1: Review Application:** Board reviewed application **3-2: Public Hearing:** Motion and second to open Public Hearing, unanimous vote. Hearing no discussion from public, motion and second to close Public Hearing, unanimous vote. **3-3: Action as Warranted:** Motion and second to approve license renewal, unanimous vote.
- 4. Liquor License Renewals (2) – Terry and Maxine’s, Highland Bar and Grille:** **4-1: Review Applications:** Board reviewed applications been no complaints or issues. **4-2: Action as Warranted:** Motion and second to approve both licenses, unanimous vote.
- 5. MSAD 52 Budget: 5-1: Discussion with Superintendent Kim Brandt:** Turner’s increase would be about a 3.39% increase. Some discussion over the decrease in enrollment of students and how there should be some savings from that but teachers are still working full time, and the hope is to have all students back to school 5 days next year. There was some cost savings from fuel as the busses were not running as much as usual, which did help with the budget. Some of the things the school has purchased with stimulus money where touch less water fountains, a bigger freezer for cafeteria, paid for temp cleaning staff and an oxygen ventilation system for all schools.
- 6. Wayne Viger – Firearms Sanctuary Town:** Wayne asked to meet with board to discuss his desire to have the town vote to be a designated Firearms Sanctuary Town. After some discussion a motion and second was made to add to the Town Meeting Warrant and let the voters decide, but the Board did let Wayne know that there will be a lot of questions and he needs to be prepared to state his request, 3 in favor 1 opposed.
- 7. Rescue Department Report:** Total calls for the month of March were 71 making total calls for the year to date 221. Have started giving COVID vaccinations at the station had first clinic on Saturday, went very well administered 44 vaccinations and are scheduled to do 109 this upcoming Saturday. Lisa would like to mention what a good job Dick’s Auto Body did on the unit repairs. On May 7 & 8 the 100 Mile Run will be taking place again and Rescue will have a truck staffed for this event.
- 8. Fire Department Report:** For the month of March had 48 calls. The department had a SCBA refresher and a fit testing training. On April 15th at 6:00pm will be doing an extrication training at 74 Auto.

- 9. Town Manager's Report: 9-1: Financial Statements:** Excise tax receipts continue to surpass expectations, we are 14% ahead of last year at this time. If prior year trends continue, Rescue and Transfer Station both will be over budget. In Kurt Schaub's opinion the cleanest way to accommodate these overages, as they may exceed Contingency, will be to have an article on this year's Town Meeting Warrant to increase the FY 2021 Contingency, rather than try to designate remaining balances from specific accounts for transfer from others. Will revisit at April 19th meeting when have an estimate amount. **9-2: Town Meeting Update** – We now have confirmation that Town Meeting will be held in the Leavitt Area High School cafeteria on Saturday, May 22 and Clint Boothby will serve as Moderator. Voting will take place at the Town Office from 1:00pm to 7:00pm on Thursday, May 20. **9-3: Planning Board Activity:** The Planning Board's monthly workshop will be on Wednesday, April 7th. **9-4: Grounds Maintenance Bid:** Reviewed draft bid specification and submittal form for grounds maintenance over the upcoming season. Motion and second to send out as presented, unanimous vote. **9-5: Informational Items:** John O'Donnell is tentatively scheduled to be on April 19 Agenda to discuss assessing schedules for land, and your thoughts on current real estate sale pricing, the influence COVID has had on it and whether or not you consider it sustainable.
- 10. Consent Agenda:** Motion and second to approve the consent agenda, unanimous vote.
- 11. Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca M. Allaire, CCM