

BOARD OF SELECTMENT MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2021
6:30PM

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** Meeting called to order by Kurt Youland at 6:30pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Present: Steve Maheu, Kevin Nichols, Kurt Youland, Warren Hood, Angello Terreri, Lisa Bennett, Nathan Guptill. Guest: Pete and Nate Pillsbury, Jim Talbot, Jason Arsenault, Nick Merry and Matt Swansburg.
- 2. Adjustments to the Agenda:** None
- 3. Historical Society Project Update:** Nate Pillsbury gave a brief update on the buildings that are being built for the replicas. The board had previously voted and approved using the remaining balance of the Bicentel Bell account for help with the cost of the buildings and Nate asked if the check could be distributed. The Treasurer will have the check available for Nate on Monday.
- 4. Medical Marijuana License Renewal – Cworx & Co: 4-1: Review application:** Board reviewed application, premises has been inspected by CEO Ross Gagne and no disqualifying issues were found. The background check also produced no disqualifying offenses. **4-2: Public Hearing:** Motion and second to open Public Hearing, unanimous vote. No comments from public, motion and second to close Public Hearing, unanimous. Motion and second to approve renewal, unanimous vote.
- 4A: Automobile Graveyard/Junkyard Permits: 4A-1: Review application:** Board reviewed Jesse Walker application located at 448 County Road, found no issues. Motion and second to open Public Hearing, unanimous vote. No comments from the public, motion and second to close public hearing, unanimous vote. Motion and second to approve permit for Jesse Walker, unanimous vote. Board reviewed David Richardson application located at 140 Harlow Hill, found no issues. Motion and second to open Public Hearing, unanimous vote. No comments from the public, motion and second to close public hearing, unanimous vote. Motion and second to approve permit at 140 Harlow Hill Road, unanimous vote. Board reviewed application for David Richardson located at 1630A Auburn Road, found no issues. Motion and second to open Public Hearing, unanimous vote. No comments from the public, motion and second to close the public hearing, unanimous vote. Motion and second to approve permit at 1630A Auburn Rd, unanimous vote.
- 5. Borrego-Ricker Hill Solar Project – Road Commissioner Permits: 5-1: Presentation:** Matt Swansburg from Borrego Solar, the developer, is working toward finalizing some details, one of which is the installation of power poles along Town Farm Road, near its intersection with Ricker Hill Road. The second is an excavation within Town Farm Road for the purpose of installing underground cable. The plan was reviewed and approved by the Planning Board, but final authority must be granted by the Board for installation of the poles and cable (easement), and to excavate within the town's right of way. Motion and second to table for a later date, 4 in favor of tabling Steve Maheu abstained.

6. **Rescue Department Report:** Chief Lisa Bennett, reports that the budget is on track. Total calls for year to date is 984 up 88 calls from last year. The Remount is not expected until the second week of February. Have two new hires; Mark Gardner and Ben Howard, welcome. Lisa highly recommends getting vaccinated or booster as COVID 19 is very high in the community.
7. **Fire Department Report:** For the month of November had 22 calls bringing the total calls to 167 for the year. Andy Paddle from Allegiance Trucks, gave a brief overview of work that needs to be done on the fleet with some cost analysis. Motion and second to revisit at next meeting, unanimous vote.
8. **Town Manager's Report:**
 - 8-1: **Financial Reports:** Board reviewed looked good.
 - 8-2: **BQMC Project:** Only received one bid for the project. After some discussion there was a motion and second to reject the bid, unanimous vote. Board has requested that Town Manager, Kurt Schaub reach out to the bidder to see if we can get a lower bid as the one received substantially exceeds the funds available for the project.
 - 8-3: **New Marijuana Form/Fees:** A copy of the new form is enclosed for review. Board also needs to set fees under the new ordinance, following notice and hearing. Motion and second to open Public Hearing, unanimous vote. No comments from the public, motion and second to close Public Hearing, unanimous vote.

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| Conversion – Medical to Adult Use | \$150.00 |
| Medical Marijuana Business License – Initial | \$500.00 |
| Medical Marijuana Business License – Renewal | \$250.00 |
| Adult Use Marijuana Business License – Initial | \$500.00 |
| Adult Use Marijuana Business License – Renew | \$250.00 |
| Planning Board Application – same as Site plan, no less than \$100.00 | |

Motion and second to approve as presented, 3 in favor, 2 opposed.

- 8-4: **Tree Lighting:** Annual Tree Lighting and visit with Santa will be at 6:30pm on Tuesday, December 7th.
- 8-5: **Christmas/New Year's Schedule:** Per policy, this year's holidays will be celebrated on Friday, December 24 and Friday, December 31st. Would like to request to close the office between noon and 1pm on Wednesday, December 22nd for a Christmas office staff luncheon. After a suggestion from the board to close the office at 1pm on Wednesday the 22nd to enjoy the office luncheon. Motion and second to close office at 1pm on Wednesday the 22nd. So the Holiday Hours for the Town Office as follows:
 - Wednesday, December 22nd - close at 1pm
 - Friday, December 24th - closed
 - Friday, December 31st – closed

After some discussion there was a motion and second, with a unanimous vote to close the Transfer station:

Friday and Saturday, December 24th & 25th – closed

Monday, December 27th - open

Friday and Saturday, December 31st and January 1st – closed

Monday, January 3rd – open

8-6: FY2020 Tax Liens: A total of 19 foreclosure notices were mailed on November 19th.

9: Consent Agenda: Motion and second to approve the consent agenda, without the minutes, unanimous vote.

10: Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca M. Allaire, CCM