

**TOWN OF TURNER - BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2022**

- 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, Angelo Terreri, Kurt Schaub, Lisa Bennett, Nathan Guptill. Absent: Warren Hood. Guest: Alex Cutter.
- 2. Adjustments to the Agenda:** No adjustments
- 3. Liquor License Renewal – Highland Grille:** The application was reviewed. Mr. Schaub said no Public Hearing was required as it was a routine license renewal. Motion and second to approve License, unanimous.
- 4. Public Comment:** No public present.
- 5. Town Report Bid:** Four bids were received: Xpress Copy - \$4,089.56; Snowman Group - \$4,321.26; Walch Printing - \$7,332.00; and Evergreen Printing - \$8,500.00. Motion and second to award bid to Xpress Copy, unanimous vote.
- 6. Rescue Department Report:** Rescue Chief Lisa Bennett reported the department had 83 calls for the month of January. Budget is on track, presently at 62%. Training covered pediatric seizures. She anticipates reporting on Generator quotes during March meeting. Anticipated installation would be August, at earliest. The ambulance remount project is planned to begin on February 15, when ambulance purchased for its “box” will go to New Jersey for remounting on new chassis. Project is expected to take four months to complete, but is expected sooner. Lisa asked if ARPA funds that were approved for wage adjustments, but not needed, could be redirected toward installation of a power load system in the new remount. She said the Rescue Fundraising account could make up the cost difference. No action taken.
- 7. Fire Department Report:** Fire Chief Nathan Guptill reported the department had 18 calls in the month of January. January training covered Hazmat Awareness and annual requirements for Bureau of Labor Standards, and gear inventory and inspections were done. Mr. Guptill was told the Selectmen agreed to purchase the truck from Minnesota, and had negotiated a purchase price of \$275,000, plus \$4,000 for transport, to be paid from ARPA funds, which will leave the department’s reserve fund available to catch up on other needs. Chief Guptill said the department presently needs five to six complete sets of turnout gear, among other things. The funding plan will be discussed in workshop after the meeting. Mr. Guptill thanked the Selectmen for their support.
- 8. Town Manager’s Report:**
8-1: Financial Statements: The latest Revenue and Expense reports were provided to the board for review.
8-2: Transfer Station Pay Order: Motion and second to approve Pay Order for Transfer Station Supervisor, unanimous vote.
8-3: ARPA Funds: Information was presented on the use of ARPA funds. The “final rule” was adopted federally, which gives smaller communities substantially more flexibility than the “interim final rule” on use of the funds. Specifically, road building, maintenance and other infrastructure is now specifically allowed, as is purchase of fire

trucks and police vehicles. **8-4: FY 2023 Budget:** Fire Department budget to be reviewed following Selectmen meeting, then joint meeting with Budget Committee scheduled for February 9, with Selectmen Maheu, Nichols and Terreri available to attend. **8-5: Town Report Dedication:** Dedication was finalized, will be made public on publication of report. **8-6: Personal Property Tax Letter/Form:** Annual letter and form for businesses to update Personal Property inventory/value was reviewed. Motion, second and unanimous vote to approve letter and form. **8-7: DOT Intersection Improvements – Route 4 & 219:** Announcement of online presentation was reviewed. Of concern is maintenance of small spur that will service two homes on 219, just east of Route 4. **8-8: Town Meeting Warrant:** Plan is to have draft for February 22 meeting. Mr. Schaub asked if any other special articles needed, other than discontinuance of unbuilt, “paper” portion of Willard Drive.

9. Consent Agenda: Motion and second to approve consent agenda, except January 3 meeting minutes. Voted 3 in favor, 1 abstain (Maheu). Motion and second to approve January 3 meeting minutes. Voted 2 in favor, 2 abstain (Maheu and Terreri). Approved by majority of those present and voting.

10. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kurt E. Schaub