

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 20, 2023
6:30PM

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Kurt Youland and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Present: Steve Maheu, Kevin Nichols, Kurt Youland, Angelo Terreri, and Kurt Schaub. Guest: Nat and Pete Pilsbury, Jen Maheu, Dale & Gloria Bryant, John Arsenaault, Ken Finley, Gary Brooks, Ron Hiscock and Dan Berry.
- 2. Adjustments:** Add Social Media and Town Employees as 5-4.
- 3. New Business:**
 - 3-1: Tax Acquired Property Bid:** Received 8 bids and motion and second to award to the highest bidder which was Argyle Products, LLC David Lyon with a bid amount of \$24,460.00, unanimous vote.
 - 3-2: Century Fund – New Fundraising – Nat Pilsbury:** Jen Maheu and Nat Pilsbury will be co-chairs of the Century Box openings. They will be doing fundraising for the fund to be added to the core amount for future interest accrual. Anyone who makes a donation will have the opportunity to fill out a pledge sheet that will go in the new box, the donations will be sent to the Town Clerk. The boxes will be on display during the Town Meeting and the Fourth of July Celebration and will be opened the weekend of Veterans Day at the High School. At that time there will be a new box to fill as well. Jen and Nat will have more details at the next Selectmen meeting on April 3rd.
 - 3-3: Century Fund – Dale Bryant/American Legion:** The American Legion would like to request the ability to use some of the funds from the century funds to assist veterans among a few other things. Nowhere in the century funds does it state that the money is to be used/given to the veterans it states it is to be used for Town Debt or Higher Education. The Legion is only asking for the interest from the last year. At this time no decisions have been made as to what the funds will be used for, the board will get back to the American Legion but the board did request that the Legion come back with more details on what they would like to use the funds for and how much they would like to use.
 - 3-4: Planning Board Vacancy:** Board asked Kurt Schaub to reach out to the Chair Bill Bullard for suggestions, as well as having Selectmen thing of people to appoint to the vacancy.
- 4. Old Business:**
 - 4-1: Town Report:** The Town Report was sent to the printer on Tuesday, March 14th. It is to be provided to the Post Office on or about Friday, March 31st.
 - 4-2: Lower Street Drainage Complaint:** The town had been put on notice for threat of litigation due to water draining from a culvert that has been in place for well over 20 years. The matter was turned over to our insurer. Our insurer has closed the file on this as no timely response was received to their written answer to the complaint.
 - 4-3: Hartford Fire/Rescue Contract:** Postponed until next meeting when Chief Bennett is present.

4-4: Rescue Department Credit Cards: Motion and second to authorize the Rescue Department to have a general credit card in each ambulance for the purchase of fuel, with usage to be monitored by the Rescue Chief, unanimous vote.

5. **Regular Reports:** **5-1: Highway Manager Report:** Board reviewed report all looked good. **5-2: Code Enforcement Officer Report:** Board reviewed report all looked good. **5-3: Town Manager:** Tri-Town Selectmen Meeting will be on April 18th in Leeds with Superintendent Cari Medd and Business Manager Gabi Krol. **Ordinance Amendments:** Planning Board hearings now complete, one ordinance to be updated. Final package to be reviewed April 1st. Package consists of: Amendments to Zoning Ordinance relative to solar farms; solar farm moratorium in event zoning amendments fail; and wider notification to area property owners for commercial site plans and subdivisions.
6. **Consent Agenda:** Motion and second to approve consent agenda, unanimous vote.
7. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

**Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca M. Allaire, CCM**