

Board of Selectmen
Minutes

Date: June 26, 2019

Members Present: Janet Flinkstrom, Mike McCallum and Scott Sweeney

Time: 7:13 p.m.

2) Selectmen approve minutes of June 5, 2019 as amended.

Motion: Mike McCallum Second: Scott Sweeney Vote: Unan

3) Selectmen approve minutes of April 17, 2019 as recorded.

Motion: Mike McCallum Second: Janet Flinkstrom Vote: JF/MM - Aye
SS - Abstain

4) Selectmen approve and sign on Payroll Warrant #19-26P in the amount of \$74,244.10, subject to further review.

Motion: Mike McCallum Second: Scott Sweeney Vote: Unan

5) Selectmen approve and sign on Vendor Warrant #19-26 in the amount of \$87,996.34, subject to further review.

Motion: Mike McCallum Second: Scott Sweeney Vote: Unan

6) Selectmen approve Year-End Transfer of \$1,390 from Collector's Salary Line to the Collector's Expenses and \$213.23 from Land Use Agent Contract Salary to Land Use Agent Expenses and the Chairman signs on it.

Motion: Mike McCallum Second: Scott Sweeney Vote: Unan

7) Selectmen approve and sign on a One Day Liquor License for Holmes-Curran-Bennett American Legion Post for the Car Show at Allen Field on 9/1/19 (#459).

Motion: Mike McCallum Second: Scott Sweeney Vote: Unan

8) Selectmen approve and Chairman signs on Comstar Non-Contractual Write-offs from 3/1/18 – 12/1/18 as approved by the Fire Chief for \$6,710.30.

Motion: Mike McCallum Second: Scott Sweeney Vote: Unan

9) Selectmen approve Annual Appointments for FY2020 as listed on attached sheet.

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Motion: Mike McCallum

Second: Scott Sweeney

Vote: Unan

10) Selectmen approve Annual Appointments of Townsend Police Officers as Special Police Officers in Ashby for 2020 as listed in Police Chief's Memo.

Motion: Mike McCallum

Second: Scott Sweeney

Vote: Unan

Selectmen review Harris Road Documents and sign as necessary: Update from MM - No signatures are necessary. All of the documents are complete and being brought to Boston tomorrow.

Any Other Business Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chairman:

Presentation from Crocker Road property project representative Janet Morrison: JM states it is a net zero project cost for Ashby. Approximately \$388k cost will be 68% reimbursed by the Land Grant and the balance covered by the Land Trusts and the City of Fitchburg. They need a vote by the Board of Selectmen tomorrow to proceed with the Land Grant application and a Town Meeting vote to proceed with the purchase. The Town Meeting vote will be contingent on receiving the Land Grant. Brief discussion on tax situation was discussed. JM explained the property is currently under Chapter 61 and the tax bill for the land is \$273 per year. Vanessa, Trustees of Reservations Rep. explained there is a residence on the property that will continue to pay taxes on the house for a period of up to 5 years and after that it may be rented. Also, Conservation Restrictions on the land were discussed as well as land management questions and comments. MM read a list of questions he has for the meeting tomorrow night.

SS spoke on the Acting Library Director appointed by the Library Trustees as to whether she can have two positions within the town, held by 1 person. MM suggested he call Boston Ethics Commission and speak with the Attorney of the Day to get the correct answer.

LW is concerned about the operation of the elevator when she used it tonight. Janet will speak to Town Administrator tomorrow. SS would like to invite the Project Manager for the Public Safety Building to a BOS meeting. Chairman will speak to Bob Hanson about arranging this.

Assistant Town Administrator's Report: Read by SS & available on Ashby Website.

Comments (if any): None

11) Motion to adjourn at 8:37 p.m.

Motion: Mike McCallum

Second: Scott Sweeney

Vote: Unan

Signed by: _____

Dates Minutes Approved by Board of Selectmen: _____