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SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES May 22, 2020

Ms. Pitt stated, as Chairman of the Marlborough Board of Selectmen, I find that due to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Governor's Emergency Order #12 Pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this public body is authorized to meet electronically.

Let's start the meeting by taking a roll call attendance. When each member states their presence, please also state whether there is anyone in the room with you during the meeting, which is required under the Right-to-Know law.

Roll call attendance:

Chairman Pitt	Yes – Present on conference call	No one else in the room
Selectman Paight	Yes – Present on conference call	No one else in the room
Selectman Nelson	Yes – Present in the Town Office	

The Meeting was called to order at 9:00 am. Present was Ellen Smith, Town Administrator.

Chairman Pitt was contacted by a property owner who has been having problems with ATV's going through her property on the Class VI road. The Board discussed the rules regarding gates and bars and also appropriate signage. Chairman Pitt will continue to work with the individual and will report back.

There was discussion about the possibility of acquiring a ballot counting machine for the upcoming elections. This would eliminate the need for so many ballot counters and other volunteers in higher risk groups due to COVID-19. Also, it is anticipated that there will be a significant increase in absentee ballot processing since the ability to vote in this manner has been greatly expanded. The Board would consider purchasing the machine of grant funding or other relief funds can be utilized.

The Board acknowledges that they are in receipt of Chief Lyons email regarding the delivery of documents to the court.

Selectman Paight moved and Chairman Pitt seconded a motion to approve the Intents to Cut – Map 07-002, Map 03-103 and Map 02-006 and the Junkyard License for Scrap-It and further to have Selectman Nelson sign on behalf of the Board. Roll call vote Chairman Pitt – Yes, Selectman Paight – Yes, Selectman Nelson – Yes, motion passed.

Selectman Paight moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes of May 5, 2020. Roll call vote Chairman Pitt – Yes, Selectman Paight – Yes, Selectman Nelson – Yes, motion passed.

Selectman Paight moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to approve the May 21, 2020 Accounts Payable Register in the amount of \$18,841.65, Payroll Check Register in the amount of \$554.96 and the Direct Deposit Register in the amount of \$8,719.44. Further, to have Selectman Nelson sign the manifests on behalf of the Board. Roll call vote Chairman Pitt – Yes, Selectman Paight – Yes, Selectman Nelson – Yes, motion passed.

The Selectmen have each received citizen inquiries into the possibility of bringing broadband to Marlborough, as many neighboring towns are in the process of doing. The town will look in to funding options currently available. The Board will also consider assembling a committee to provide some guidance.

The Board decided to engage Gary Kinyon as Town Counsel moving forward and thanks Upton & Hatfield for their years of service.

Chairman Pitt reviewed the GOFERR Corona Virus Relief Fund Grant Agreement. This program will allow Marlborough to seek reimbursement in the amount up to \$50,751 for virus related expense not covered by FEMA or other federal sources, incurred from March 1, 2020 to August 31, 2020. Selectman Paight moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to accept and expend CARES Act Assistance up to the amount of \$50,751 in accordance with NH RSA 21-P:43 and further to assign designated signing authority to Ellen Smith, Town Administrator. Roll call vote Chairman Pitt – Yes, Selectman Paight – Yes, Selectman Nelson – Yes, motion passed.

Selectman Paight moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to appoint Michelle Talbot as Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector for a three-year term concurrent with the Town Clerk/Tax Collector, through March 2023. Roll call vote Chairman Pitt – Yes, Selectman Paight – Yes, Selectman Nelson – Yes, motion passed.

Chairman Pitt moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 am, Roll Call Vote Chairman Pitt - Yes, Selectman Paight – Yes, Selectman Nelson - Yes, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Smith Town Administrator