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## SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES October 28, 2020

Chairman Pitt called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Present were Selectman Paight, Selectman Nelson, Ellen Smith, Town Administrator, Justin Frazier, Water/Sewer Operator and Mike Wilber, Health Officer.

Mr. Frazier discussed the adjustments to the timing of the water project and the request of a homeowner on Granite Street to hookup to the Town's system. Mr. Frazier will discuss options with the owner.

Woodland Court was scheduled to have the water main replaced in 2020. We have not had the time yet this year to address this project. Mr. Frazier will order the parts and talk to the DPW Director about when the project will fit into their schedule.

There was discussion about mandatory PFOA testing for all public water supplies.

Mr. Frazier left the meeting at 11:00 am.

Mr. Wilber was in to continue the discussion about adopting a mask ordinance. As Health Officer, Mr. Wilber is recommending the ordinance which is in line with CDC recommendations that everyone should wear masks to slow the spread of COVID-19. The Board will review the City of Keene's Ordinance as an example. The Board discussed how far a government should go to mandate mask wearing. Selectman Nelson is against this type of mandate. The Town has gotten a number of complaints from concerned citizens about the lack of mask wearing in food service and retail businesses in Marlborough. Selectman Paight moved and Chairman Pitt seconded a motion to accept the Health Officer's recommendation to enact a mask ordinance mandating that staff and customers in public settings and in business establishments wear masks. Vote to approve was 2-1 with Selectman Nelson voting no. The next step is to draft an ordinance for discussion.

Mr. Wilber left the meeting at 12:00 pm.

Motion to enter Nonpublic Session made by Selectman Nelson, seconded by Selectman Paight, under RSA 91-A:3, II(c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant. Roll Call vote to enter nonpublic session

Chairman Pitt - Yes, Selectman Paight – Yes, Selectman Nelson – Yes, motion passed. Entered nonpublic session at 12:00 pm.

Public session reconvened at 1:25 pm. Motion made to seal these minutes made by Selectman Nelson, seconded by Selectman Paight because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board. Roll Call Vote to seal minutes Chairman Pitt - Yes, Selectman Paight – Yes, Selectman Nelson - Yes, motion passed.

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Public session reconvened at 3:30 pm. Motion made to seal these minutes made by Selectman Nelson, seconded by Selectman Paight because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board. Roll Call Vote to seal minutes Chairman Pitt - Yes, Selectman Paight – Yes, Selectman Nelson - Yes, motion passed.

Selectman Nelson moved and Selectman Paight seconded a motion to approve the October 29, 2020 Accounts Payable Register in the amount of \$245,602.27, Payroll Check Register in the amount of \$239.28 and the Direct Deposit Register in the amount of \$9,999.66, vote to approve was unanimous.

Chairman Pitt signed Amendment No. 1 Grant Agreement and Loan Agreement in order to extend the Water Project's completion date. Chairman Pitt also signed Work Change Directive No 1.

Selectman Paight moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes of October 14, 2020 and October 16, 2020, vote to approve was unanimous.

Selectman Paight moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:45 pm, vote to adjourn was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Smith, Town Administrator