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SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES October 21, 2020

Chairman Pitt called the meeting to order at 11:30 am. Present were Selectman Paight, Selectman Nelson and Ellen Smith, Town Administrator.

The Board began by discussing their approach to tomorrow's Board of Selectmen's Meeting with the parties involved in the Library Addition Project and what they hope to accomplish.

The Board approved Chief Lyons' request to use a personal day tomorrow, October 22, 2020.

TA Smith applied for a \$5,000 grant through The Center for Technology and Civic Life to be used for increased election costs due to COVID-19. These funds will cover costs above and beyond those covered under other sources of assistance. Selectman Paight moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to have Chairman Pitt sign the Grant Agreement on behalf of the Board of Selectmen, motion to approve was unanimous.

Chairman Pitt moved and Selectman Paight seconded a motion to approve the Consolidated Communications Broadband Proposal submitted on October 1, 2020 and to recommend the Proposal to the March 2021 Town Meeting contingent upon the successful negotiation of a Contract for Construction and Broadband Services between the Town and Consolidated, vote to approve was unanimous. The next step is for Chairman Pitt to contact Consolidated Communications Inc. (CCI) to discuss the contract. The Board of Selectmen authorizes the Broadband Committee to negotiate the terms of the contract. The Board would like information packets from CCI that can be distributed to Marlborough residents explaining the project.

The Board of Selectmen approved and signed the following:

- Notice of Intent to Cut Map 02-069/02-070/02-071 (same owner/contiguous)
- Building Permit Application Map 05-157
- Electrical Permit Applications Map 05-138 & Map 08-054

Selectman Nelson moved and Chairman Pitt seconded a motion to approve the October 22, 2020 Accounts Payable Register in the amount of \$50,173.99, Payroll Check Register in the amount of \$473.52 and the Direct Deposit Register in the amount of \$8,489.03, vote to approve was unanimous.

Sergeant Byam discovered a water leak in the ceiling of the MPD's storage closet. TA Smith will look into scheduling the repair.

At 1:33 pm Chairman Pitt moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to recess the meeting until tomorrow at 3:00 pm at which time the Board, TA Smith and DPW Director Cashman will meet an engineer from Dubois & King at the Frost Free Library who will be providing the Selectman with a quote to assess the underground waterway to see what, if any, precautionary measures can be taken to limit the possibility of compromise during the Library Addition Project, vote to recess was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Smith Town Administrator