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### SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

May 6, 2021

Chairman Paight 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 Paight	Yes – Present on Zoom	No one else in the room
Selectman Pitt	Yes – Present on Zoom	No one else in the room
Selectman Nelson	Yes – Present on Zoom	No one else in the room

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am. Also present in the Zoom meeting was Ellen Smith.

Bree Sullivan and Scott Borcier of Gale Associates joined the meeting. TA Smith gave a brief introduction. Gale Associates submitted a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the Stormwater Infrastructure Planning and Evaluation Project for Downtown Marlborough New Hampshire. They are one of two engineering firms meeting with the Board of Selectmen today.

In a joint presentation, Gale Associates spoke about their firm and specifics of the project. During their investigation they found that 2/3 of the water is not from the neighborhood but from an 800 acre watershed. One of the options they would research is diverting the water into the state system before hitting the downtown area. They discussed their approach to the project; this was followed by a brief question and answer session.

Gale Associates left the meeting at 11:00 am and Chuck Goodling, Michael Hildenbrand and Michael Bemis of Dubois & King joined the meeting.

After a brief introduction, Dubois & King presented their approach to the project and discussed other storm water projects they have worked on in the past.

Michael Bemis left the meeting at 11:45 pm.

Chuck Goodling was asked to stay on the call. The Board wanted to talk to him about concerns with the Library Addition. The discussion started with an overview of an email TA Smith received a while back from Josh Saucier, formally of Dubois & King, who was on site and took a look at the tunnel. The Board is very concerned over the proximity of the proposed addition to the tunnel. Mr. Saucier's email which was not a detailed study or opinion, noted that "a minimum of a 9 foot horizontal setback from the storm drain to the closest point of the footing" would be recommended.

TA Smith shared her screen and shared the latest proposal by Weller & Michal Architects. The current plan proposes the addition to be 3 feet away from the ramp and 4 feet 6 inches from the building corner footing. The Board is not comfortable building so close to the tunnel and are interested in a second opinion. There is also now a plan to surround the entire addition with a 2 foot deep layer of gravel to disburse the run off from the building's roof. This poses another concern because it appears as though the gravel would be up against the tunnel wall. TA Smith will forward the plans as well as get a copy of the cross section drawings from Tom Weller of the corner of the building to Mr. Goodling and he will get back to the group with his recommendations for a scope of work and quote. Mr. Goodling left the meeting at 12:35 pm.

TA Smith received a call from the son of the owner of 65 Pleasant Street. When the drinking water service was shut down for the Jewett Street Project and subsequently turned back, on there was an inflow of debris that caused some parts to need replacing. The homeowner had Keating Plumbing do the repair work and are now asking if the Town would help cover the cost of the service. The Board believes it is very possible that the homeowner may not have experienced a problem if it weren't for the water project. Selectman Pitt moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to reimburse the owner of 65 Pleasant Street for the entire amount of the invoice from Keating of \$778.82, roll call vote Chairman Paight – yes and Selectman Pitt – yes and Selectman Nelson – yes, motion passed.

Selectman Pitt moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to establish the Electric Aggregation Committee in accordance with NH RSA 53-E:6 and further to appoint Marge Shepardson, Jerry Burns, Jeannie Butler, Ted Mead and Chana Robbins members, roll call vote Chairman Paight – yes and Selectman Pitt – yes and Selectman Nelson – yes, motion passed.

As was discussed at a previous meeting, the MPD will be replacing the Ford SUV in the coming months. The Board would like TA Smith to reach out to Chief Manning to see if the MFD would be interested in the vehicle.

Chairman Paight left the meeting at 1:00 pm.

Selectman Pitt moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to approve the April 21, 2021, April 22, 2021 and April 29, 2021 meeting minutes, roll call vote Selectman Pitt – yes and Selectman Nelson – yes, motion passed.

Selectman Pitt moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to approve the May 6, 2021 Accounts Payable Register in the amount of \$10,261.50, the Payroll Check Register in the amount of \$593.15 and the Direct Deposit Register in the amount of \$8,176.93, roll call vote Selectman Pitt – yes and Selectman Nelson – yes, motion passed.

Selectman Pitt moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:40 pm, roll call vote Selectman Pitt – yes and Selectman Nelson – yes, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted

Ellen Smith, Town Administrator