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## SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES April 22, 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 were Ellen Smith, Town Administrator and Police Chief Zach Byam.

Chief Byam updated the Board on the full time candidate who is now out of the running and the part time candidate's application has been tabled. The Chief is holding physical fitness testing on May 21, 2021 for new recruits, he currently has 28 people who meet the minimum requirements and 6 have confirmed they will be in attendance.

Chief Byam received permission to have a potential recruit as a ride along on April 30, 2021.

The Board was provided a quote from MHQ for a 2021 Dodge Charger. This is a fully built car that MHQ would be able to upfit. The quote for the vehicle is \$29,535.75 and the upfitting quote is \$9,735.88. Alternative vehicles were discussed and the quotes came in significantly higher. Chairman Paight moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to move forward with the quote from MHQ of \$39,271.63 for a 2021 Dodge Charger and further to authorize Chairman Paight to sign the quote on behalf of the Board, roll call vote Chairman Paight – yes and Selectman

Pitt – yes and Selectman Nelson – yes, motion passed. Funds are available in the capital reserve fund for this purpose. The Ford SUV is to be replaced.

The Chief discussed the discretionary policy on mask wearing while interacting with the public and the Board agreed that masks should be worn as the officer sees fit. If requested to do so they will honor that request.

Chief Byam left the meeting at 10:48 am.

Selectman Pitt moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to approve the April 22, 2021 Accounts Payable Register in the amount of \$37,259.29, the Payroll Check Register in the amount of \$258.81 and the Direct Deposit Register in the amount of \$8,468.92, 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 approve the meeting minutes of April 12, 2021 and April 15, 2021, roll call vote Chairman Paight – yes and Selectman Pitt – yes and Selectman Nelson – yes, motion passed.

Craig Cashman, Selectman Nelson and Wil Coutts met Mr. Budd on Old Chesham Road to look at the runoff. It was decided that a culvert be added up the hill towards Dublin to catch more water before it reaches Mr. Budd's property. The Highway Department will do the work. Selectman Nelson moved and Selectman Pitt seconded a motion to have the Highway Department install the additional culvert on Old Chesham Road as discussed, roll call vote Chairman Paight – yes and Selectman Pitt – yes and Selectman Nelson – yes, motion passed.

The Board approved and will sign the following:

- Notice of Intent to Cut Map 05-015
- Building Permit 02-079B Cell Tower
- Electric Permit Application 47 Doody Drive

The Board discussed yesterday's meeting with Weller & Michal Architects.

Selectman Pitt moved and Chairman Paight seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 pm, roll call vote Chairman Paight – yes and Selectman Pitt – yes and Selectman Nelson – yes, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted

Ellen Smith, Town Administrator