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SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

May 13, 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 Craig Cashman Director of Public Works.

Mr. Cashman was in to discuss the replacement of the 2009 Ford F350. Selectmen asked why the request was coming after Town Meeting. He explained that there is enough money in the Capital Reserve Fund for this purpose and he is recommending that the vehicle be replaced before there are any big issues. The truck will need a couple thousand dollars in work in order to pass inspection in September. The quote provided from Monadnock Ford is a state bid and gives \$12,000 for a trade-in value. The new truck will have a gas engine which is less expensive to service and tend to have fewer issues than the diesels. The dump flat bed setup is the same as is on the current truck and we can use the existing plow which is approximately 3 years old. Selectman Pitt moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to move forward with the purchase of the 2021 Ford F350 from Monadnock Ford for \$33,956.00 (net of trade in value) with equipping by HP Fairfield in the amount of \$6,724.00 and further to authorize Chairman Paight to sign the quotes on behalf of the Board, roll call vote Chairman Paight – yes and Selectman Pitt – yes and Selectman Nelson – yes, motion passed.

The DPW will be transitioning to summer hours between June 1, 2021 through the Friday before Labor Day. Hours will be 6:00 am – 2:30 pm.

The drainage work on Jewett Street will be done the first week in June.

Mr. Cashman left the meeting at 10:35 am.

Selectman Pitt moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to approve the May 5, 2021 and May 6, 2021 meeting minutes, roll call vote Chairman Paight – yes Selectman Pitt – yes and Selectman Nelson – yes, motion passed.

Selectman Pitt moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to approve the May 13, 2021 Accounts Payable Register in the amount of \$163,646.58, the Payroll Check Register in the amount of \$258.81 and the Direct Deposit Register in the amount of \$8,494.69, roll call vote Chairman Paight – yes Selectman Pitt – yes and Selectman Nelson – yes, motion passed.

The Board approved and will sign Timber Tax Levy 20-287-03-T, 20-287-07-T and 20-287-09-T as well as an abatement on Map 14-064 before transferring the property to the new owner.

Chairman Paight moved and Selectman Pitt seconded a motion to proceed with Gale Associates for the Stormwater Planning & Evaluation Project for downtown Marlborough, roll call vote Chairman Paight – yes Selectman Pitt – yes and Selectman Nelson – yes, motion passed.

The Board discussed ongoing site concerns with the addition to the Frost Free Library. TA Smith had a discussion with DuBois & King about the location of the building in relation to the tunnel and how having the footing at or below the bottom of the tunnel would eliminate some of the concerns. They raised the question as to what happens in the future when the tunnel needs to be replaced. With David Bergeron finding that the tunnel is already at capacity, it is just a matter of time before an upgrade is needed. It was recommended that perhaps Library Way could be used as a temporary entrance during construction to avoid having heavy equipment pass over the tunnel.

Another situation that needs to be investigated is to have the addition built on the Pleasant Street side of the building. Has this option been looked into? If so, what was discussed or discovered? If it is feasible, it would remove the concerns about building so close to the tunnel.

There is also a question about what work would need to be done to have a proper full site plan prepared by David Bergeron? A lot of the work has already been done.

The Board wants to be sure all options have been fully investigated.

Selectman Pitt moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:00 pm, roll call vote Chairman Paight – yes Selectman Pitt – yes and Selectman Nelson – yes, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted

Ellen Smith, Town Administrator