

Board of Selectmen  
Minutes April 20, 2021

Convened at 6:00 pm

Present: Ken Christiansen, Chair  
Robert Mantegari  
Andrew Artimovich  
Jon Morgan  
Jonathan Frizzell

Christiansen called the meeting to order. The board opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board met and reviewed payroll, accounts payable and signed the register. The Selectmen reviewed and signed the recreation register that consisted of 1 check.

Kip Kaiser, Building Inspector, had the following building permits to be approved this week:

- KG Realty Holding, 109 Crawley Falls Road, new condo: signed by Board.
- Robert Cole, 198 Middle Road, install rough and finish plumbing to new addition: signed by Board.
- Christopher McPhee, 43 Spruce Ridge Drive, pool wiring: signed by Board.
- David Francisco, 58 Prescott Road, install above ground pool: signed by Board.

Mantegari made a motion, 2nd by Frizzell to approve the public minutes of 4/6/2021 as written. Artimovich – abstain, Mantegari – aye, Mantegari – aye, Frizzell – aye, Morgan – aye, Christiansen – aye. The motion carries.

Mantegari made a motion, 2nd by Frizzell to approve the nonpublic minutes of 4/6/2021 as written. Artimovich – abstain, Mantegari – aye, Mantegari – aye, Frizzell – aye, Morgan – aye, Christiansen – aye. The motion carries.

Notes:

- 1) Nonpublic – There is a May 1<sup>st</sup> deadline to respond to counsel for a case. Would you like to set a meeting for Thursday to discuss this in nonpublic?
  - a. The nonpublic meeting will be held on Thursday 4/22 at 4pm at Brentwood Town Hall. Christiansen, Morgan, Mantegari and Artimovich will attend. Frizzell will be absent.

Morgan made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Artimovich for the residents of Brentwood to have a voice on the BNL. Mantegari – nay, Morgan – aye, Frizzell – aye, Christiansen – nay, Artimovich – aye. The motion carries.

The Brentwood Recreation Center was well attended with residents. Each person had the opportunity to speak for 3 minutes, both in person and via zoom. Some of the main comments were:

- 1) Detailed contract.
- 2) Itemized invoice.
- 3) Protect the Brand – trademark / copywrite the Brentwood Town logo.
- 4) Equal and balanced opinions.
- 5) Continue with paper copy for complete inclusion of the town residents.
- 6) Find something that works for ALL.
- 7) Editorial/Op-Ed/letters to Editor - find out how many articles were not published by Editor.
- 8) Voice of the people removed from the tagline.
- 9) Establish criteria in which funding should be made.

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- 10) How do we maintain volunteerism?
- 11) April issue disingenuous.
- 12) Increase accountability.
- 13) Committee oversight.
- 14) Current service does not meet the needs of the town.
- 15) Where is Governance?
- 16) No divisive political views.
- 17) Should be a town committee – not controlled or commandeered by a small group of people.
- 18) Build community.
- 19) Ridiculed by other towns.
- 20) Disallow all editorials and Op-Eds going forward.
- 21) BOS needs to have oversight.
- 22) Continue to be funded.
- 23) Propose a warrant article.
- 24) BNL changed under current Leadership.
- 25) Have a newsletter that reflects ALL taxpayers.
- 26) Report on what has happened and will be happening in the town – no editorials or personal views.
- 27) Create new format – make better.
- 28) Newsletter Editorial provided an opinion.
- 29) Freedom of speech.
- 30) Volunteers are accountable.
- 31) Town funds appropriated at town meeting.
- 32) Viable resource.
- 33) No political or social commentary.
- 34) Small committee to proof-read before each issue goes out.
- 35) Urge Select board to establish contact with BNL editor.
- 36) Increase level of transparency.
- 37) Create contacts that represent town.

At 8:06pm a motion was made by Mantegari, 2nd by Morgan to adjourn. Artimovich -aye. Mantegari – aye, Frizzell – aye, Morgan – aye, Christiansen – aye. The motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Parkhurst