

Board of Selectmen  
Minutes February 18, 2020

Convened at 6:00 pm

Present: Robert Mantegari, Chair  
Andrew Artimovich  
Ken Christiansen  
William Faria  
Phyllis Thompson

Mantegari 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.

Jonathan Ellis was in to present the weekly Treasurer's report. Please see last page to view report.

Christiansen made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Faria to approve the public minutes of 01/28/2020 as written. The motion carried with Artimovich abstaining as he was not present at that meeting.

Christiansen made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thompson to approve the nonpublic minutes of 01/28/2020 as written. The motion carried with Artimovich abstaining as he was not present at that meeting.

Mantegari made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Artimovich to approve the public minutes of 02/11/2020 as written. The motion carried with Faria and Thompson abstaining as they were not present at that meeting.

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

- Richard Carrier, 91 Pine Road, plumbing for renovations: signed by Board
- Bailey Jacobs, 93 Deer Hill Road, electrical for addition: signed by Board
- Bailey Jacobs, 93 Deer Hill Road, plumbing for addition: signed by Board
- Donna Stevens, 130 Scrabble Road, convert screened porch to living space: signed by Board.

Kaiser said the cease and desist has been served to 152 Prescott Road. He has heard from the property owner and believes they have reached a path for compliance.

The use has been abandoned at 9 Mary Vey Drive and the container structure will be removed in March.

Joyce Keegal, Cemetery Superintendent, was present to discuss the Purple Heart Community Project. The purpose is to create a tribute to the men and women who have been awarded the Purple Heart Medal. There are 2 known recipients in Brentwood. If the board is agreeable to declaring Brentwood as a Purple Heart Community, trail signs are erected with the veteran's name on it. The signs are donated and will not be a cost for the town. Christiansen made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Artimovich to sign the Purple Heart Community Proclamation. All were in favor.

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Edie Shipley, Conservation Chair, showed a presentation on the Game Farm and the benefits of conserving land. [Property V. Easement PowerPoint Presentation](#)

There will be an additional presentation on 3/5 at 6pm at the MEB Library and 3/11 at 7pm during the conservation meeting. The sale of the game farm was finalized on 2/7/20 and the property was transferred to Game Farm LLC.

Rob Wofchuck, conservation commission, said one of the goals tonight was to get approval on the terms of the conservation easement as presented. Mantegari said some of the industrial and commercial uses are too liberal and would not be allowed under town zoning. Jeremy Lougee, SELT, said that the easement states what is allowed on the land but that in no way supersedes local zoning. Wofchuck said the town has historically valued open space and it keeps costs down in the long run. He went on to say that the town has never had a requirement for public access and that not all properties are meant for that. Public access may not be prohibited, it is up to the land owner. Shipley stated that if public access is written into the easement that it must be allowed in perpetuity. Faria said he thinks the people may be looking for public access, but they need to realize this is not state property any longer. Christiansen made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Artimovich to approve the terms of the draft easement as presented. All were in favor.

Clement said there was a "just cause" abatement filed due to a fire loss. Based on the number of days from the fire to the certificate of occupancy being issued, a per diem rate was calculated to be abated. Artimovich made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Faria to approve the abatement as recommended by Michaud, contract assessor. All were in favor.

Mantegari made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Faria to appoint Daphne Woss as an alternate member to the ZBA for 3 years. The motion carried with Artimovich and Christiansen abstaining as they are members.

Clement said she wanted to circle back to the fuel surcharge language of the contract with Casella. She said Casella feels strongly that the language be included. She wanted to make it clear that the board was not agreeing to anything more than the inclusion of having a mutually agreeable discussion if and when fuel prices increase substantially over the course of the contract. This is not an automatic fee and it would be up to the sitting board at that time to negotiate terms in the best interest of the town. Artimovich said they could always come back for the conversation later. Christiansen agreed that they would be open to the conversation at that time but does not feel this needs to be memorialized in the contract.

Christiansen made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Faria to adopt the inclement weather policy as written. All were in favor.

At 7:20 pm a motion was made by Mantegari, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Christiansen to go into nonpublic sessions per RSA 91-A: 3, II for (c) reputation. Mantegari – aye, Artimovich – aye, Christiansen – aye, Faria – aye, and Thompson – aye. The motion carries.

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At 7:40 pm a motion was made by Christiansen, 2nd by Faria to come out of nonpublic session and seal the minutes. Mantegari– aye, Artimovich – aye, Christiansen – aye, Faria – aye, and Thompson -aye. The motion carries.

Thompson swore in Daphne Woss to be an alternate member of the ZBA.

At 7:42 pm a motion was made by Faria, 2nd by Christiansen to adjourn. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Clement

WEEKLY TREASURER'S REPORT				
<b>DATE:</b>		<b>2/18/2020</b>		
<b>Citizens General Fund:</b>				
	Previous Balance:	21,335.99		
	Deposits:			
	Payroll:		DD: \$18479.40	CK: \$1414.65
	Prior Dir. Dep Adj			
	FICA:			
	to Impact Fees			
	A/P: Regular		Swasey: \$190,000	
	Add'l A/P			
	void checks			
	From MMA			
	TO MMA			
	Account Balance:	21,335.99		
	Interest Earned YTD:	3.03		
	CD's	4,500,000.00		
<b>MMA:</b>	Unrestricted Balance	917,272.86		
	Total Invested Funds:	5,417,272.86		
	Interest Earned YTD:	3,094.19		