

**TOWN OF WALPOLE  
MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD  
MAY 27, 2021**

Selectboard Present: Cheryl Mayberry (Chair); Steven Dalessio; Peggy Pschirrer

**CALL TO ORDER:** Ms. Mayberry, Chair of the Walpole Selectboard, called this meeting via Zoom to order at 6:30 PM. The Selectboard members are in three separate locations. Also attending this meeting is Mrs. Sarah Downing, Manager of Administration, in the Walpole Town Hall and Mrs. Regina Borden, Recording Secretary, by telephone at a separate location. This meeting was being recorded. There were two members of the public in attendance: Mr. Ray Boas and Mrs. Barbara Spivey.

Ms. Mayberry called for a voice roll call of the Selectboard present: Steven Dalessio was present; Peggy Pschirrer was present and Cheryl Mayberry was present. This meeting will be in accordance with Virtual Meetings, Emergency Order #12, which has been effective since March 2020.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

Mrs. Pschirrer moved to accept the Accounts Payable Check Register in the total amount of \$58,441.83 for checks issued May 28, 2021. This includes a payment in the amount of \$41,581.81 to HealthTrust. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. There was none. On a voice roll call vote with Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

**PAYROLL:**

Mrs. Pschirrer moved to accept the Payroll Check Register for the week ending May 22, 2021, in the amount of \$29,236.95 for checks dated May 28, 2021, and for the 941 Payroll Tax Transfer in the amount of \$5,624.98. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. There was none. On a voice roll call vote with Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

**SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

**SELECTBOARD MINUTES – May 20, 2021:** Mrs. Pschirrer moved to accept the Minutes of the Selectboard meeting of May 20, 2021, as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. There was none. On a voice roll call vote with Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the Minutes were approved.

**NON-PUBLIC SELECTBOARD SESSION MINUTES – May 20, 2021:** Mrs. Pschirrer moved to accept the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard Session of May 20, 2021, as submitted. These Minutes will remain sealed. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. There was none. On a voice roll call vote with Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the Minutes were approved.

**PUBLIC BUSINESS:**

**Whipple Hill Road:** Mrs. Barbara Spivey requested that the Minutes of the May 13, 2021, Selectboard meeting be corrected. She stated her husband, Mr. Jody Spivey, said “When they bought the property they were not completely aware of the fact that this was potentially a snowmobile trail”. He did not say “When they bought the property they were not aware of the fact that this was a road and not a trail”. Mrs. Pschirrer advised the Minutes of the May 13, 2021, meeting had already been approved by the Selectboard. This request for the correction by Mrs. Barbara Spivey will be so noted in these May 27, 2021, meeting minutes.

**SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES (Continued):**

**STAFF MEETING MINUTES – May 20, 2021:** Mrs. Pschirrer moved to accept the Minutes of the Staff Meeting of May 20, 2021, as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. There was none. On a voice roll call vote with Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the Minutes were approved.

**COMMITTEE REPORT:**

The Selectboard acknowledged receipt of the following committee report:

- Zoning Board of Adjustment Meeting – May 19, 2021.

**PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENTS:**

**MAP and LOT #003-082-C14:** Mrs. Pschirrer moved to grant the Property Tax Abatement in the amount of \$3,114.00 for the owner(s) of Map and Lot #003-082-C14. The non-profit submitted their paperwork on time for a 2021 Property Tax Exemption. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. There was none. On a voice roll call vote with Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

**MAP and LOT #008-015-002:** Mrs. Pschirrer moved to grant the Property Tax Abatement in the amount of \$4,675.00 for the owner(s) of Map and Lot #008-015-002. A property tax card correction during the tax warrant needs to be applied. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. There was none. On a voice roll call vote with Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO CUT WOOD OR TIMBER:**

**MAP and LOT #013-060-001:** Mrs. Pschirrer moved to approve the Notice of Intent to Cut Wood or Timber for the owner(s) of Map and Lot #013-060-001. This property is located near Cheney Hill Road with access through Alstead. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. There was none. On a voice roll call vote with Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

**CURRENT USE:**

**MAP and LOT #004-003-005; MAP and LOT #010-006-000 and MAP and LOT #014-020-000:** Mrs. Pschirrer moved to approve the applications for Current Use for the following three properties:

- Map and Lot #004-003-005;
- Map and Lot #010-006-000;
- Map and Lot #014-020-000

These A-10 forms are for Hubbard LLC. They are adding additional acreage into current use. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. There was none. On a voice roll call vote with Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

**BUILDING PERMIT:**

**Permit No. 2021-24, MAP and LOT #017-011-000:** Mrs. Pschirrer moved to grant Building Permit No. 2021-24 for the owner(s) of Map and Lot #017-011-000 to add a “16’ x 12’ Porch to the Home”. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. There was none. On a voice roll call vote with Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**American Rescue Funds for Clean Water:** The Selectboard will be meeting with Senator Jay Kahn on June 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM via Zoom to discuss this funding source. Ms. Mayberry advised an invitation will be forwarded to Senator Kahn.

**National Scenic Byway Funding Opportunity:** The Selectboard agreed to table this agenda item; there will be discussion during the next regular meeting.

**Emergency Operation Plan Committee Meeting Date:** This meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, at 4:00 PM. Mr. Dalessio would prefer this be an in-person meeting in the Town Hall.

**Arborist Evaluation of Trees on Common and Meeting Date:** A tentative date was set for July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 5:00 PM on the Common. There was a consensus of the Selectboard to schedule this date.

**Senator Shaheen Congressionally Directed Spending Item Request Form FY 2022 and Addendum:** Ms. Mayberry pointed out that support letters are due tomorrow. Mr. Dalessio did not think they would meet tomorrow's due date but will keep trying. Ms. Mayberry had been asked about the Three (3)-phase power. Would that fall under the economic benefit? Mr. Dalessio replied it does. We can state the economic benefits are limiting the Industrial Park and limiting the growth of one of our largest employers. Ms. Mayberry will complete a response to the business and follow-up with SWRPC.

**Grange Awards Night:** At the previous meeting the Selectboard suggested having the Grange postpone their Awards Night until July 20<sup>th</sup> as the paving of Elm Street is expected to be completed by this date. Mrs. Pschirrer notified them last week about moving from June to July but has not yet had a reply. This will remain "on-hold" until the next regular Selectboard meeting.

**Pending Further Actions:**

**Tax Deeded Property Sale, Mill Pond Dam Inspection, Reservoir Dam, Vilas Bridge, Houghton Brook Bridge, Generators, Boston Post Cane:** Mr. Dalessio reported there is nothing new to discuss on these pending items at this time.

**Brownfields Project:** Mrs. Pschirrer talked with Mr. Steve Rickerich of Ransom Consulting. They asked her to extend their deadline to June 9<sup>th</sup> not because of their bids but an issue came up with the Department of Environmental Services (DES). They worked with Mr. Mike McCluskey at the Department of Environmental Services (DES) but another division had questions. They need to answer the questions. One question is how to label the contamination. Mrs. Pschirrer advised everything will be pushed off a week. The June 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting to open bids was pushed out to June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Cemetery Deed D565:** Mrs. Pschirrer moved to approve the Cemetery Deed for Lot D565. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. There was none. On a voice roll call vote with Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

**Economic Revitalization Zones:** A request was received from the State Division of Economic Development for the Town to approve five (5) areas owned by Hubbard LLC for a State Funded Tax Credit. The Selectboard had no objections. Mrs. Downing advised that Michael Bergeron and Bridgett Beckwith will plan to meet with the Selectboard during their Zoom meeting on June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**PUBLIC BUSINESS (Continued):**

**Zoning Board of Adjustment:** Mrs. Jan Leclerc, Chair, and Mrs. Myra Mansouri, Vice-Chair, of the Zoning Board of Adjustment asked to be admitted to the Zoom meeting. Mrs. Leclerc had forwarded an anonymous complaint letter to the Selectboard. Somebody thought there was too much “junk” on a property. The Selectboard acknowledged receipt of the letter but did not comment because the letter was anonymous. Mrs. Leclerc requested that Mr. Steven Buckley at the NH Municipal Association provide them with an opinion as to how they should handle this complaint. Mr. Dalessio pointed out that Mr. Buckley said it is the enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance but they do not have an ordinance in Town to cover this. There is nothing they can do. The Planning Board has to generate new ordinances. Mrs. Pschirrer has driven by this property; there is some old farm equipment. Mrs. Leclerc mentioned some farmers on occasion have a scrap pile but they wait for the prices to go up before they sell. There was a consensus that this complaint is now closed.

**NON-PUBLIC SELECTBOARD SESSION:**

Mrs. Pschirrer moved to enter into a Non-Public Selectboard Session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II to discuss (a) Personnel and (c) Reputations. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. There was none. On a voice roll call vote with Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved at 6:56 PM.

The regular Selectboard meeting resumed at 7:18 PM.

Mrs. Pschirrer moved that the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard Session of May 27, 2021, will be sealed. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. There was none. On a voice roll call vote with Mrs. Pschirrer, Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Dalessio moved to adjourn this Selectboard meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Pschirrer. Ms. Mayberry asked if there was any discussion. There was none. On a voice roll call vote with Mr. Dalessio, Mrs. Pschirrer and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the meeting adjourned at 7:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Regina Borden, Recording Secretary

  
Cheryl Mayberry, Chair

  
Steven Dalessio

  
Peggy L. Pschirrer

(Note: These are unapproved Minutes. Corrections will be found in the Minutes of the June 3, 2021, Selectboard meeting.)