# BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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## MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 16, 2021

**PRESENT**: Mrs. Diane Vayda; Chairman, Mr. David J. Pierce, Vice-Chairman, and Roland Sickenberger, Clerk

**Called meeting to Order at 6:05 PM**

### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING - POSTPONEMENT

After further consideration, the Board of Selectmen, in concert with the Financial Team and Town Clerk, the following motion was made: Motion to postpone the Special Town Meeting from December 13, 2021 to Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 7 PM made by Mr. Pierce; second: Mr. Sickenberger - unanimous. An email will be sent to all department heads.

### FY 2023 BUDGET

A work meeting will be scheduled to review the budgets under the Selectmen's jurisdiction. In addition, the board requested Mrs. Acerra to invite the Police, Fire and Highway Departments to our November 30th meeting to discuss their needs.

### MINUTES

Motion to approve the Minutes of November 1, 2021 and November 2, 2021 as written made by Mr. Pierce; second: Mr. Sickenberger – unanimous.

### WARRANTS

Motion to approve and sign Warrant No. 22 W 9 dated November 4, 2021 and warrant numbers 22 P 10 and 22W 10 W 8 dated November 18, 2021 in the amount of $151,070.71, $75,980.28 and $684,636.60 respectively made by Mr. Pierce; second: Mr. Sickenberger – unanimous.

### EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE

1. The office received a letter from Louise Douglas who resides at 14 Ridge Road. She is interested in serving on the Cultural Council. – ***Motion to appoint Louise Douglas to the Cultural Council made by Mr. Pierce; second: Mr. Sickenberger – unanimous.***
2. The office also receive notice that Diane Vayda would be interested in filling the remaining position on the Cultural Council. This will give the Council a full complement of members which allows for grant funding for the town. – ***Motion to appoint Diane Vayda to the Cultural Council made by Mr. Pierce; second: Mr. Sickenberger – 2 Yes, 1 Abstention (Mrs. Vayda)***
3. The office received a letter of resignation from MJ Haesche from the Planning Board. If and when the town votes to allow an Alternate Member, she stated that she would be interested in filling that position. – Motion to accept with regret the resignation of MJ Haesche from the Planning Board made by Mr. Pierce; second: Mr. Sickenberger – unanimous. The office will re-post for this open position and will convene with the Planning Board for a joint appointment in the near future.



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4. The office received two requests for Special Use Permits for Lake Wickaboag:
    - Aluminum Fishing Series – 3-26-2022 & Aluminum Fishing Series – 10-8-20 – ***Motion to approve the Special Use Permits as requested made by Mr. Pierce; second; Mr. Sickenberger – unanimous.***
5. The office also received notice from the Town Clerk that she is advertising for the position of Asst. Town Clerk. The position is for 12-hours per week. - ***Noted***

## NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Sickenberger requested to move forward with seeing what is necessary to implement a Lake Committee, Capital Planning Committee. This is being addressed through an article at the upcoming STM if possible. If not, then it will be slated to appear on the warrant at the Annual Town Meeting. A discussion surrounding the Harbor Master Position took place and will need to be addressed as well.

## COMMENTS & CONCERNS – NONE

## NEXT MEETING DATE: November 22, 2021 – 6 PM.

Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Pierce; second: Mr. Sickenberger – unanimous at 6:65 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Acerra
Executive Secretary

Roland Sickenberger, Clerk

11/22/21
Date Approved