BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 8, 2022

PRESENT: Ms. Diane Vayda; Chairman, Mr. David Pierce; Vice-Chairman and Roland Sickenberger, Clerk
ATTENDEES: Matti Sjoblom

Called meeting to Order at 6:00 PM

MATTI SJOBLOM – RECREATION COMMITTEE

Ms. Sjoblom addressed the Board this evening to update them where the Recreation Committee is heading into the summer months. She (Sjoblom) recently spoke with the accountant, and she was able to provide her with guidance regarding the budget and expenditures. The Committee is looking to widen the town beach and she is on an upcoming Conservation Committee agenda to discuss the project. They are going back to the Advisory Committee on April 4th as they were asked to re-do their budget. Currently there are no fees being charged but stickers are required. She feels that residents from Warren, as we are a regional school district should be allowed to use the beach. She is also looking to create a gift account, which she was advised that she should contact Karen Phillips at the Senior Center to see how their account works. The Board thanked her for efforts in trying to bring back the Rec Committee.

COLLEEN MUCHA – COMMON VICTUALLER'S LICENSE – RENEWAL – KETTLE & PINE

Motion to approve the application for Colleen Mucha for Kettle & Pine for a Common Victualler's License for 2022 made by Mr. Pierce; second: Mr. Sickenberger – unanimous.

FY 2023 BUDGET – TABLED

MINUTES – TABLED

WARRANTS & INVOICES

Motion to sign and approve Warrant No 22 P 18 dated and 22 W 18 dated March 10, 2022, in the amounts of $83,709.82 and $59,726.36 respectively made by Mr. Sickenberger; second: Mr. Pierce – unanimous.

1. **EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE**
   The office received a Letter of Interest from Amy Dugas who is interested in serving on the Cultural Council. ***Motion to appoint Amy Dugas to the Cultural Council till June 30, 2025, made by Mr. Pierce; second: Mr. Sickenberger – unanimous.***

2. The Tax Collector asked for the Board to review the list of delinquent properties to move forward with advertising. With no objection the following motion was made Motion ***to allow for***

the advertisement of delinquent properties made by Mr. Pierce; second: Mr. Sickenberger – unanimous.

3. A request to confirm he board' intent to move forward with an article on the ATM warrant for the foreclosure of the property located at 55 Cedar Drive:
Motion to present an Article at Town Meeting if approved by counsel made by Mr. Pierce; second: Mr. Sickenberger – unanimous.

4. ARPA FUNDS – ESSENTIAL WORKER PAY – After consideration and several discussions, the following motion was made ***Motion to pay essential workers an additional wage based on hours worked during the COVID -19 pandemic and to pay from the town's ARPA funds made by Mr. Pierce; second: Mr. Sickenberger*** – unanimous.

5. Motion to ratify the Northeast IT (NEIT) proposal for Managed IT Services March 1, 2022, thru June 30, 2022, made by Mr. Pierce; second: Mr. Sickenberger - unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS - NONE

COMMENTS & CONCERNS – NONE

NEXT MEETING DATE: March 22, 2022 – 6 PM

Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Sickenberger; second: Mr. Pierce – unanimous at 7:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Acerra

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Executive Secretary

Roland Sickenberger, Clerk

4-19-22

Date Approved