

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday October 20, 2020 7:00pm

A virtual meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 via Webex.

Members present: First Selectman Michael Criss - Selectman Evan Brunetti - Selectman Paul Honig.

Call Meeting to Order

Mr. Criss called the meeting to order at 7:09pm.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Mr. Honig made a motion to approve the minutes from October 20th, 2020 with the amendment under the 'First Selectman's Report' to read \$25/year per household in reference to the possible use of the Town of Thomaston's transfer station. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

Appointments and Resignations – Mr. Criss is attempting to reach out to members of the Economic Development Committee to discuss the tax incentive plan for small businesses as a few businesses have reached out to learn more about it. In reaching out, Mr. Criss learned that Victoria Elliot has resigned from the EDC. Tom Schoenemann is willing to call a meeting to get a chairman and to get updates on the membership of the committee. Victoria Elliot emailed her resignation to the Town Clerk. Mr. Honig made a motion to accept the resignation of Victoria Elliott. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor; Motion carries. Mr. Criss expressed his regret in seeing her resign.

Public Participation – None at this time.

New Business

Request for Tax Refunds – None at this time.

Center Fire House Fire Truck Resolution – Mr. Criss reviewed the Center Fire House Fire truck purchase that was approved at the last Board of Selectman meeting. Mr. Criss presented the resolution which states that under Executive Order 7B & 7S section 7:7CC, Section 1: and 9A, Section1, that we acknowledge that we are operating under the Board of Finance's approval as the budget authority to approve the purchase of the Center Fire House Fire Truck purchase under the replacement costs as illustrated in the town budget. The Board of Finance have accepted it. Mr. Honig made a motion to approve the Center Fire House Truck Resolution. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

COVID19 Update – Mr. Criss shared:

- That the number of COVID-19 cases is now up to 43.
- The new handicap accessible doors have been installed, however the handicap opener itself is covered as the municipal buildings are still operating on an appointment only basis to stay consistent with the contact tracing protocol.
- We ordered extra roping for election day to ensure safe social distancing by creating a one way in and one way out. All the most updated information regarding voting is on the Town Clerk's webpage. The RST will be on duty to oversee & monitor the election activity at the town hall on November 3rd.
- We are in the process of getting the quotes for the security cameras. Once the quotes are in, they will be brought to the BOS for review and approval.

First Selectman's Report – Mr. Criss updated:

- Due to the imposing numerous operating issues of the Office 10 revision, the town is working diligently with departments to replace computers that will be expiring as of January 1st, 2021.
- The Auditor has started this past week.
- The Ambulance is looking for help funding the heating of their building. The Ambulance is looking for a new propane supplier which may create added inspection and tests that are not included in the budget. Mr. Criss stated that the building is new and should not require any tests and inspections; if these steps are required, the ambulance may have to bear those costs. Mr. Criss is planning to meet with the Ambulance Chief to determine exactly what the issue is. Discussion ensued.
- The regularly scheduled November 3rd Board of Selectmen's meeting has been cancelled due to the election.

Correspondence – None at this time.

Executive Session – Personnel/Legal – None at this time.

Adjournment – Mr. Honig made a motion to adjourn at 7:52pm. Mr. Brunetti seconded. All in favor; Motion carries.

Minutes submitted by: First Selectman's Office

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