

Board of Selectmen Meeting  
February 3, 2021  
4:30 PM Town Hall/Zoom

*Present:* Matthew Riiska, Sandy Evans and Barbara Gomez  
*Present via Zoom:* Paul Madore and CATV6

The meeting was called to order at 4:35.

*Public Comments:* None

- M. Riiska reported that the town crew was out plowing from 4:00 a.m. Monday morning until 7:00 a.m. Tuesday morning and were back in again this morning. Roads are in good shape and everything went well.
- M. Riiska announced that there is a link on the front page of the town website for people to sign up for their COVID vaccination. It will be updated as necessary.

*Minutes:* November 18, 2020 and January 6, 2021

**MOTION** S. Evans to approve the minutes of the January 6, 2021 meeting as presented.

Second P. Madore. Carried unanimously.

**MOTION** S. Evans to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2020 meeting as presented.

Second M. Riiska. P. Madore abstained. Motion carried.

*Appointment/Reappointments:* Conservation Commission, Tree Warden, City Meadow

M. Riiska asked for a motion for the following appointment/reappointments:

Conservation Commission – Alnasir Pradhan term expires 2/17/24

Tree Warden – Matthew Klimkosky term expires 8/5/22

City Meadow Committee – Peter Anstey (replaces Peter Anderson) with no term expiration

**MOTION** S. Evans to approve above appointments. Second P. Madore. Carried unanimously.

*Selectmen's Report*

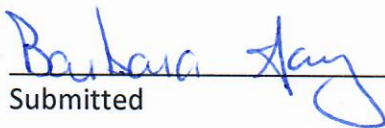
- M. Riiska proposed having a few Board of Selectmen Special Meetings to review the FY 21/22 budget. The first meeting suggested on Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.  
**MOTION** S. Evans to hold first meeting on Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>. Second P. Madore. Carried unanimously.
- Affordable Housing Plan – Jocelyn Ayers, from the Northwest Hills Council of Governments, is organizing a committee to meet monthly to formulate a plan to assist the towns in qualifying for grants.
- Assessments – M. Riiska recently received a number of calls from residents concerned about how their assessments are being handled as far as the increase in values of their automobiles. M. Riiska informed the residents that they need to go through the Board of Assessment Appeals process which is coming up in March. There is an application located on the Norfolk website that needs to be returned by February 20<sup>th</sup>.


*Selectmen's Report (continued)*

- Firehouse Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. M. Riiska drafted a request for qualification to be posted in local papers to get interested architects and engineers involved. We would like to keep the cost at \$3,000,000.
- M. Riiska reminded everyone about the three big projects – Mountain Road Bridge, River Place Bridge and the Botelle School oil tank removal. We will short term borrow until the projects are completed and we get our reimbursement, then we will go out for bonding. These projects will be the subject of a town meeting.
- Broadband – The Broadband Committee has been working extremely hard, particularly their chairman Kim Maxwell. They are working at crunching numbers and exploring all options for a presentation to the Board of Finance on Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. This project would go to a town meeting.

2/3 Vote: None

**MOTION** S. Evans to adjourn at 5:20 p.m. Second P. Madore. Carried unanimously.

  
Submitted

  
Approved