

SELECTMEN MEETING
7:00 pm VIA ZOOM and IN PERSON
Tuesday March 8, 2022

ROLL CALL OF SELECTMEN Lacy Badeau, Jon Beekman, Nathaniel Sparling, Toby Pond and Brian Holman at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE George Boff, Joseph Young, Michael Carlson, Brent St. Clair, Ellie Andrews, Peter Geiger, Jon Churchill and Town Attorney Mary Denison

PLEDGE Stated

PUBLIC COMMENTS Brent asked Selectmen to require non-profits to obtain petition signatures for their items to be placed on the annual warrant. Lacy stated she would research Toby asked if this would be required for anything over \$500?

COMMITTEE REPORTS Brian Holman stated the Road Committee has had two meetings one with Allstates Asphalt and the other Pike Industries. Toby noticed Readfield has red colored backing on some of their 25 and 35 MPH signs and asked if the Town would be interested.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Mark reported that he had a successful budget committee meeting will share with the Board to go over their findings. No issues with the road treatment and the last few storms. Still dealing with the Western Star truck off-line whereas the part it needs is unavailable.

Old Business

22-15 Town Meeting Timelines

- **March 8th Manager presents Draft of FY2023 Town Budget to Board of Selectmen (BOS) 7 p.m.**
- **March 10th Budget Committee (BC) meets to discuss 1st draft municipal budget 6:30 p.m.**
- **March 15th School Committee (SC) budget meeting Draft #2 6:00 p.m.**
- **Mar. 22nd - BOS discusses municipal budget, with BC 7 p.m.
(following grant writing presentation)**
- **March 31st SC budget workshop, invite BC and BOS 6 p.m.**
- **April 7th Budget Committee (BC) meets to discuss 1st draft municipal budget 6:30 p.m**
- **April 14th Nomination Papers, Special Referendum Petitions due. Ballots to be created for June 14th State and Local Referendum/Election**
- **April 19th SC meeting on Draft #3 at 6 p.m. and BOS Public Hearing on June 14th referendum questions and municipal budget as it sits and BOS to review draft municipal warrant articles for Annual Town Meeting 7 p.m.**

- **April 26th SC meeting on 26th Draft #4 6 p.m.**
- **April 28th Budget Committee (BC) meets to vote on municipal budget articles 6:30 p.m.**
- **May 4th BOS Annual Town Meeting Warrant Municipal Article Approval**
- **May 14th Absentee Ballots available for the June 14th local referendum and local election**
- **May 17th Public Hearing on both School and Town Budget AND Referendum questions 6 p.m.**
- **May 24th SC final approval of school budget and school articles 6 p.m.**
- **May 25th Annual Town Meeting Warrant signed by Selectmen and posted for public view.**
- **June 14th State and Local Election 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.**
- **June 15th Annual Town Meeting 6 p.m. (continued on the 16th if necessary at 6 p.m.)**

New Business

22-29 2022-2023 Budget Submittal

The Town Manager presented the first draft of the Municipal Budget a 22 minute discussion followed.

22-30 Citizen Referendum Question Regarding Starling Hall

Motion to approve a referendum question as proposed by Brent St Clair to ask the voters to support that only private and philanthropic funds support the capital needs of Starling Hall made by Brian Holman seconded by Nathaniel Sparling vote 1 in favor 4 opposed. (Sparling)

22-31 KVCOG-shared Code Enforcement

Mark updated the Board regarding the status of the idea of a shared Code Enforcement position.

22-32 Warrants

Motion to approve Town and School Accounts payable/payroll warrants #18 made by Jon Beekman seconded by Brian Holman Vote 5 in Favor 0 opposed

22-33 Minutes

Motion to approve Minutes of February 8, 2022 made by Brian Holman seconded by Toby Pond vote 5 in favor 0 opposed

Motion to approve Minutes of February 22, 2022 made by Brian Holman seconded by Nathaniel

Nathaniel clarified his vote regarding a sander for the public works truck

vote 5 in favor 0 opposed

22-34 Board of Selectmen Comments

Brian Holman stated that on the 23rd Wes Bowen went on a posted road to drop off his excavator on Campground Road. Brian notified the State Police and added that the Town should reconsider buying material from someone that violates the posted road law. Brian also inquired about the mirror across from Maple Lane. Mark, Lacy and George Boff responded. Brian offered to donate a mirror.

Jon had inquired about the Spirit of America Award. Toby asked for Brent St. Clair to collaborate with the Town Facebook. Toby asked about the Town Sexton status. Mark reponded that Lou Sanmaier is meeting with Ron Hewett to talk about the position.

Lacy asked to look at other Town posted road signs. Lacy asked about performance reviews.

22-35 Executive Session regarding a personnel matter pursuant to MR.S.A. Title 1 §405 The BOS will enter executive session pursuant to M.R.S.A. Title 1 §405. (Section 6. Permitted deliberation. Section E Legal Matter

Made by Jon Beekman Seconded by Toby Pond. Entered Executive session 7:09 p.m.

VOTE: 5 – 0

Executive session ended at 8:06 pm

Mark asked Mary Denison to opine on the sale of town equipment to anyone that is in non-compliance with the State Junk Yard Law. Mary offered that the Town may qualify who may be eligible to bid on property. A qualified bidder.

REENTRY 22-35 Executive Session regarding a personnel matter pursuant to MR.S.A. Title 1 §405 The BOS will enter executive session pursuant to M.R.S.A. Title 1 §405. (Section 6. Permitted deliberation. Section E Legal Matter

Made by Jon Beekman Seconded by Toby Pond. Entered Executive session 9:32 p.m.

VOTE: 5 – 0

Executive session ended at 9:44 pm

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 9:42 pm made by Jon Beekman, seconded by Toby Pond. All in favor

VOTE: 5 – 0

SELECTMEN MEETING
7:00 pm VIA ZOOM and IN PERSON
Tuesday March 22, 2022

ROLL CALL OF SELECTMEN Lacy Badeau, Jon Beekman, Nathaniel Sparling, Toby Pond and Brian Holman at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE George Boff, Joseph Young, Michael Carlson, Brent St. Clair, Katie Pepper and Town Attorney Mary Denison

PLEDGE Stated

PUBLIC COMMENTS Brent stated that our cemetery sexton is not paid for what he does and it is very embarrassing that he is not paid for this service. Mark stated that Ron met with the Board of Selectmen in November to discuss his position and wish to prepare to step away from some of his current duties.

COMMITTEE REPORTS None

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Mark reported that the Fayette Store has sold. Vicki Laflin is the new owner. Vicki is a Bamford Pond Road resident. Mark then read aloud the letter of resignation of Road Foreman Patrick Wheeler that was accepted with regret. Lacy thanked Mr. Wheeler for his service to the Town for the last 20 years.

Old Business

New Business

22-37 Warrants

Motion to approve Town and School Accounts payable/payroll warrants #19 to be signed at the Town Office by Jon Beekman seconded by Toby Pond Vote 5 in Favor 0 opposed

22-36 Executive Session regarding a personnel matter pursuant to M.R.S.A. Title 1 §405 The BOS will enter executive session pursuant to M.R.S.A. Title 1 §405. (Section 6. Permitted deliberation. Section A and E Personnel and Legal Matters

Made by Jon Beekman Seconded by Toby Pond. Entered Executive session 7:13 p.m.

VOTE: 5 – 0

Executive session ended at 8:24 pm

Motion to approve the following:

ARTICLE 3. To see what action the Town will take in appropriating sums and authorizing the Select Board to enter into agreement(s) to provide high speed internet service to all residents of Fayette.

PLEASE VOTE FOR ONLY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS – ANY BALLOT WITH MORE THAN ONE OPTION CHECKED WILL BE CONSIDERED INVALID.

OPTION 1

_____ (check here to vote for this option)

Shall the Select Board of the Town be authorized to (a) negotiate and enter into one or more agreements providing for the design and construction of a **broadband wireless network** to be owned and operated by a third party to serve all of the residents of the Town of Fayette, (b) appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$385,275.00** for the foregoing, (c) apply for, accept and expend revenues from Federal, State, and private grant sources to offset the costs of said broadband wireless network, and (d) fund the foregoing appropriation by borrowing, on behalf of the Town, a sum not to exceed **\$385,275.00** on such terms as the Select Board determines are necessary and proper pursuant to 30-A M.R.S. §5772 and other applicable Maine law, including the issuance, at one time or from time to time, of general obligation bonds (and notes in anticipation thereof) of the Town of Fayette in a sum not to exceed **\$385,275.00**, including fixing the dates, maturities, denominations, interest rates, places of payment, premiums, calls for redemption with or without premium, forms and other details of said bonds and notes, and to provide for the sale thereof, for the purpose of paying the Town's portion of the costs of the foregoing broadband wireless network?

Select Board recommends: Yes 4-1 (Beekman)

Broadband Committee recommends: No

Note: This option is based on a proposal from Redzone Wireless to provide high speed internet service to all residents of Fayette using wireless technology transmitted from 4 existing towers. The total project cost is estimated at \$1,285,380. Redzone's share is estimated to be \$900,105. The Town's share would be \$385,275. Redzone will be the owner of the network and will deal directly with subscribers. The Town's contribution is a subsidy toward construction and may be eligible for partial or total grant funding. The pricing offer proposed by Redzone to subscribers for the first two years will be (a) 100 Mbps Download ("DL") / 20 Mbps Upload ("UL")

Service: \$50.00 / month, (b)100 Mbps DL / 100 Mbps UL Service: \$75.00 / month, (c) 500 Mbps DL / 100 Mbps UL Service: \$99.00 / month.

Financial Statement for Option 1.

Total Town Indebtedness: \$605,000

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid: \$605,000

B. Bonds authorized and unapproved: \$0

C. Bonds to be issued if this Article is approved: \$387,275

Total: \$992,275.00

Costs: At an estimated maximum interest rate of 3.698% for a 20 year maturity, the estimated costs of this bond will be:

Principal \$385,275.00

Interest \$ TBD _____

Total new debt service \$TBD _____

OPTION 2

_____ (check here to vote for this option)

Shall the Select Board of the Town be authorized to (a) enter into one or more agreements providing for the design, acquisition, construction and equipping of a **broadband fiber optic** network to be owned by the Town of Fayette and operated by a third party to serve all of the residents of the Town of Fayette, (b) appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$1,000,000.00** for the foregoing, (c) apply for, accept and expend revenues from Federal, State, and private grant sources to offset the costs of said broadband wireless network, and (d) fund the foregoing appropriation by borrowing, on behalf of the Town, a sum not to exceed **\$1,000,000.00** on such terms as the Select Board determines are necessary and proper pursuant to 30-A M.R.S. §5772 and other applicable Maine law, including the issuance, at one time or from time to time, of general obligation bonds (and notes in anticipation thereof) of the Town of Fayette in a sum not to exceed **\$1,000,000.00**, including fixing the dates, maturities, denominations, interest rates, places of payment, premiums, calls for redemption with or without premium, forms and other details of said bonds and notes, and to provide for the sale thereof, for the purpose of paying all or a portion of the costs of the foregoing broadband fiber optic network?

Select Board recommends: 1 in favor 4 opposed (Beekman)

Broadband committee recommends: Yes

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Financial Statement for Option 2.

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B. Bonds authorized and unapproved: \$ 0

C. Bonds to be issued if this Article is approved: \$1,000,000

Total: \$1,605,000

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Neither of the options above.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 9:42 pm made by Jon Beekman, seconded by Toby Pond. All in favor

VOTE: 5 – 0

SELECTMEN MEETING
7:00 pm VIA ZOOM and IN PERSON
Tuesday April 5, 2022

ROLL CALL OF SELECTMEN Lacy Badeau, Jon Beekman, Nathaniel Sparling, Toby Pond and Brian Holman at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE George Boff, Michael Carlson, Ellie Andrews, Brent St. Clair, Katy Yates and Lee Ann West from Strategic Development Specialists.

PLEDGE Stated

PUBLIC COMMENTS None

COMMITTEE REPORTS Lacy reported that the Solid Waste Committee will be meeting next Wednesday.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Mark reported that there will be a fourth meeting of the Road Committee Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. Mark reported that he had written letters of support for earmark funding for Starling Hall. The requests included the purchase of the land currently for sale behind the Hall in addition to the completion of all the renovation needs. After numerous comments and questions Mark reviewed the Selectmen packet. Mark reminded the BOS of the budget meeting with the school on Thursday April 7, 2022. As of this date only one person has submitted viable nomination papers for Selectmen or School Committee. Wesley Bowen of North Road will be on the ballot as a candidate for Selectmen. Signatures need to be turned in by April 14, 2022. April 14 is also the date where the broadband question will be finalized. April 19th will be the 1st public hearing on the referendum questions and budget if ready. Mark asked to BOS to add an appeals board candidacy for appointment.

Old Business None

New Business

22-37 Professional Grant Writing

The Board received a 35 minute presentation from Leeann West and Katy Yates of Strategic Development Specialists.

22-38 Winthrop Ambulance Service

Chief John Dovinsky was introduced, Jon Beekman reviewed the reason and request for his presence tonight. There was 29 minute discussion regarding how the fee schedule was determined for this years budget whereas the costs were greatly influenced by the need to keep competent staff on duty during an unprecedented time of job loss and wage surge as the result of the pandemic.

22-39 Budget Discussion Brent St. Clair concerned about the state of the world and cost increases Mike Carlson commented on the status of Ambulance services and asked what alternatives exist. And asked that we get back to the CIP plan. Ellie Andrews expressed that she need to see the whole budget picture and numbers are still in process. Lacy was looking forward to seeing what the school will be presenting. Toby inquired about the coordination and relationship with Mount Vernon Rescue. Jon Beekman asked if Budget Committee member will make recommendation and have discussions. Ellie commented on how she worked with a full-time fundraiser that brought in millions of dollars for the organization she worked for and encouraged the concept of the professional grant writer. Brent St. Clair asked if the BOS would have some kind of attendance requirement and if they would have non-profits petition to get their request on the warrant. Lacy stated that she had forgotten and would bring

that before the BOS. Brent St. Clair asked if there was any resolution on the Sexton position. Lacy indicated it was still in process. Lacy thanked the Budget Committee for all of their time and effort.

Appeals Board appointment Motion made to appoint David Hutchins of Baldwin Hill Road by Jon Beekman seconded by Brian Holman vote 4 in favor and 0 opposed

22-40 Warrant motion made to approve town and school warrants #20 by Jon Beekman seconded by Toby Pond discussion Brian Holman inquired about Maine Soda Blasting Mark responded that this is the company name for resident Richard Thompson who completed work at the Town Office Brian Holman inquired about United Construction and Forestry Mark responded that this was the company formerly known as Nortax that charged for work done and travel from Westbrook to work on the John Deere Loader. Vote 4 in favor 0 opposed.

22-41 Minutes motion to approve minutes of March 8, 2022 made by Toby Pond seconded by Brian Holman Vote 4 in favor 0 opposed

motion to approve minutes of March 22, 2022 made by Brian Holman seconded by Toby Pond Vote 4 in favor 0 opposed

22-42 Selectmen Comments Lacy Badeau shared that an adjacent landowner expressed an interest in Macs Garage. Jon Beekman would like to discuss town-owned properties as a Board of Selectmen. Toby asked to explore local expertise for diagnosing issues like the one related to the loader versus travelling to the city and get the new staff trained to deal with these issues. Toby asked if we have the capabilities to haul all of our equipment. Mark responded to say that was not capable to haul a truck, loader or grader. Lacy asked if the language of the 3 options could be presented differently. Jon Beekman said get rid of the option 3. Mark stated that we really needed to follow Attorney Denison's recommendation. Brian agreed with Jon but concerned about not receiving any grants then taxpayers would have to pay and they need an option to vote against. Lacy stated that it would be best to have a yes and no vote for each. Brent stated that alot of the people that he has spoken with do not want broadband and do not want to pay for it. The majority of the people want the opportunity to vote against either wireless or broadband.

22-43 Executive Session regarding a personnel matter pursuant to MR.S.A. Title 1 §405 The BOS will enter executive session pursuant to M.R.S.A. Title 1 §405. (Section 6. Permitted deliberation. Section A and E Personnel and Legal Matters

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ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 9:42 pm made by Jon Beekman, seconded by Toby Pond. All in favor

VOTE: 5 - 0

**Special SELECTMEN MEETING
7:00 pm VIA ZOOM and IN PERSON
Thursday April 7, 2022**

Chair Lacy Badeau opened the meeting at 7 p.m.

The School Business Manager Crystal Rose gave a 1 hour and 10 minute presentation to the attending members of the meeting on the School Budget Meeting Attendance: Brent St Clair, Katie Pepper and Michael Carlson in person School Business Manager Crystal Rose Superintendent Principal Tara Morin, Assistant Principal Courtney Lyon, Nancy Cronin, Richard Darling, Joel Swimm, Ellie Andrews, James Wright.

ROLL CALL OF SELECTMEN Lacy Badeau, Toby Pond and Brian Holman at 7:00 p.m.

Mark reported that 5 hours ago he learned of a grant opportunity from the DOE to fund 100% the cost of an electric bus and charging station. School Business Manager Crystal Rose and Mark contacted Strategic Development's Leeann West and Katy Yates to explore the idea of Katy pursuing the grant in behalf of the School assuming the School would be interested in a FREE E-Bus and charging station an asset value of \$368,000. Mark asked LeeAnn to prepare a quote for services that he would forward on to the School for their consideration. Mark updated the amount requested in earmark funding for Starling Hall which was represented by a questionnaire completed by Friends of Starling Hall President Joe Young that requested \$1.3 million dollars to renovate the Hall, purchase land and provide additional buildings for municipal purposes. The \$1.3 million is NOT local money or real estate taxes it is federal earmark funding.

Adjournment at 8:15 p.m.

Public Hearing opened at 7 p.m. and closed at 8:55 p.m.

SELECTMEN MEETING

8:54 pm VIA ZOOM and IN PERSON

Tuesday April 19, 2022

ROLL CALL OF SELECTMEN Lacy Badeau, Jon Beekman, Toby Pond and Brian Holman at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING ATTENDANCE George Boff, Michael Carlson, Ellie Andrews, Brent St. Clair, Ed Jarius, Katie Jarius, Gene Giddings, George Joseph, Brenda Joseph, Carole Hicks Mike Hicks Ray Braithwood, Elaine Wilcox, Jim Wright, Town Attorney Mary Denison, Richard Polsinello, Joseph Young, Belinda Bothwick, Andrew Weeks from Redzone and Jim McKenna from Redzone, Fire Chief Marty Maxwell, Mary Ann Hayes, Al Godfrey, Jim Brogan and Chet Day

PLEDGE Stated

PUBLIC COMMENTS None

COMMITTEE REPORTS Jon Beekman shared the Starling Hall water report was excellent

TOWN MANAGER REPORT None

Old Business None

New Business

22-44 Road Posting Request

Motion made to authorize the Road Commissioner to make a decision to address a request to travel over a posted road (Norton Road) by Jon Beekman seconded Toby Pond Vote 3 in favor 1 opposed (Holman)

Brian Holman motioned to lift Road Posters on May 2nd seconded by Toby Pond Vote 4 in favor 0 opposed

22-45 Warrants warrants were not available for approval and will be prepared later in the week.

22-46 Selectmen Comments Lacy need to figure out a path for the Broadband vote. Jon stated this is a plurality vote. Lacy asked for two options. Brian Holman stated that there are people want internet and people that do not both need to be able to vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 9:10 pm made by Jon Beekman, seconded by Toby Pond. All in favor

VOTE: 4 – 0

SELECTMEN MEETING
7:00 pm VIA ZOOM and IN PERSON
Tuesday May 3, 2022

ROLL CALL OF SELECTMEN Lacy Badeau, Nathaniel Sparling, Toby Pond, and Brian Holman at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING ATTENDANCE Martin, George, Nancy, Brent

PLEDGE Stated

PUBLIC COMMENTS Nancy- The School Board has been looking at the building, and the school has many maintenance issues. Superintendent will soon propose if you want to use the kitchen, there can be a stipend to have the chef come. We have had one janitor forever, for a job for more than one person. Nancy spoke with a member of the Budget Committee, who mentioned it might make sense to have a true maintenance person for all town buildings, with the school paying a percentage and the town paying a percentage. The School Board is in support. Nathaniel Sparling says if the school puts this in their warrant, the Selectman can recommend it. He asks Mark about the possibility of the public works committee. Mark states we would need to go outside of the Public Works' skill set. Community College is free for 2020-2023 graduates

COMMITTEE REPORTS No report.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT To date, every road in Fayette with exception of Sandy River Rd. has been swept by Public Works, and many yards of sand has been collected and returned to Public Works. Ditching and culvert replacement work at the intersection of Moose Hill Rd. has begun. Toby had asked to look into what we have for local talent to assist in the digital diagnosis of the computers and vehicles we have. Mark would like to get Matt in to a Select meeting to share his experience and skills. In the past we have reached out to Merrill's Trucking in Jay, and have paid them, which is something all international dealers have but only few mechanics have that capability and approval. We would get that approval if we purchased a device. The Ballot format needs to change to have 2 questions, both yes or no.

Old Business None

New Business

22-48 Professional Grant Writer Contract A sample of the contract. On April 5th, Katie Yates and Leanne West presented what their firm does for municipalities in upper New York. Mark presented the e-bus opportunity to Nancy and Tara and had a zoom meeting with Katie and Leanne. The School Committee chose not to pursue the e-bus pursuit. Board fo Selectmen discussed options of paying either individually per grant or yearly.

Move forward to allow Mark to talk to Strategic Development Specialists to discuss a contract for future meeting.

22-49 Amendment to Administrative Ordinance Amending the Administrative Ordinance, allowing Selectmen to pause at 9:00, two hours into the meeting, and decide whether to motion to continue conversation, or to move to adjourn.

22-50 Special Meeting of the Board of Selectmen May 4th was originally identified as the town meeting warrant approval meeting, but it needs to be moved. Mark would like the Selectmen and the Budget Committee to meet next Thursday night, May 12th at 7pm, if possible.

May 17th Public Hearing 6pm: purposed for town and school budget, and referendum questions
May 25th

22-51 Appeals Board Appointments Dave Hutchins, Marty Rigelow, John Andrews, Bill Rogers existing members; Bill Rogers and John Andrews will likely have to recuse themselves for one of the appeals. Two new applications: Michael Hicks and Joe Fitzpatrick. One of the applicants can be appointed as an alternate as we'll need both of them at some point and the other will be a member.

Motion from Toby Pond to appoint Joe Fitzpatrick as a member of the Appeals Board and Michael Hicks to be appointed as an alternate, seconded by Brian Holman, Vote 4 in favor 0 opposed.

22-52 Warrants

Motion to approve Town and School Accounts payable/payroll warrants #21 and #22 made by Toby Pond seconded by Brian Holman vote 4-0.

22-53 Board of Selectmen Comments Toby was approached by a gentleman that used to live in Fayette, and mentioned that Public Works might work for him, he has a Class B license, mid-30s-interested in employment with the town.

Brian has a question for Nancy- noticed the school budget was looking for a 3% raise for all employees. Asks her to look back in the last ten years and see how many years it took to lead to a 3% raise. Nancy says some of the stuff happens during negotiations, but will have this information for the next meeting.

Lacy reminded everyone of the non-profit from the April 5th minutes

Lacy discusses the cemetery lot crisis, lots sold at the same price to taxpayers and non-taxpayers while taxpayers are also paying for its maintenance. Lacy suggests taxpayers get a lower price (to be discussed at a future meeting)

22-54 Minutes

Motion to approve April 5th, April 7th and April 19th minutes, moved by Brian Holman, seconded by Toby Pond, vote 3-0-1.

Adjournment Motion at 8:26 pm by Brian Holman, seconded by Toby, vote 4-0

PUBLIC HEARING
6:00 pm VIA ZOOM and IN PERSON
Tuesday May 17, 2022

ROLL CALL OF SELECTMEN Toby Pond, Lacy Badeau, Brian Holman,

PUBLIC HEARING ATTENDANCE Tara Morin, Crystal Rose, Theresa Harrington, Rachel Holland, Courtney Lyons, Brittany Rose, Katie Pepper, Ellie Andrews, Jim Wright, Joel Swimm, Michael Carlson, Joe Young, Nancy Cronin, Kristen Laverdiere, Richard Darling

PLEDGE Stated

PUBLIC COMMENTS

COMMITTEE REPORTS No report.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Old Business Continue discussion of broadband. Axium presentation- Mark Ouellette gave a presentation on Axium services that are on the ballot including question and answer from public attendants.

New Business

Fayette Impact to Taxpayers 2023- School Board

Tara Morin presented the School's increases in salaries, maintenance, benefits, transportation, etc. from the Fayette Impact to Taxpayers which will increase taxes- negotiations year for teachers. Increased budget of \$12,908 to the taxpayer.

Crystal Rose presented Financial Performance History

Discussion of Road Bond payback options

Incomplete audit

Discussion surrounding building needs and possibility of full-time maintenance person

Wednesday, May 25th- Selectmen meeting

Adjournment Adjournment at 9:17 pm

BOARD OF SELECTMEN SPECIAL MEETING

7:00 pm VIA ZOOM and IN PERSON

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

ROLL CALL OF SELECTMEN Toby Pond, Lacy Badeau, Brian Holman, Jon Beekman, Nathaniel Sparling

PUBLIC HEARING ATTENDANCE Brent St. Clair, Jean St. Clair, Katie Pepper, Ellie, Joe Young, Joel Swimm, Jim Wright

PLEDGE Stated

PUBLIC COMMENTS

COMMITTEE REPORTS No report.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT School Committee passed all of the articles in the warrant unanimously

Old Business

New Business

TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Mark reviewed the Town Warrant, including review and discussion of each article. All articles were discussed, and recommended for or against by both the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

ARTICLE 1

ARTICLE 2

ARTICLE 3

ARTICLE 4 Select Board recommends: Yes (4-1 Jon Beekman Opposed)

ARTICLE 5 Select Board recommends: No (1-4 Jon Beekman in favor)

ARTICLE 6 Select Board recommends: Yes
Budget Committee recommends: Yes

ARTICLE 7 Select Board recommends: \$1,576,325.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$1,576,325.00

ARTICLE 8 Select Board recommends: \$306,197.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$306,197.00

ARTICLE 9 Select Board recommends: \$0.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$0.00

ARTICLE 10 Select Board recommends: \$0.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$0.00

ARTICLE 11 Select Board recommends: \$143,444.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$143,444.00

ARTICLE 12 Select Board recommends: \$84,031.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$84,031.00

ARTICLE 13 Select Board recommends: \$148,861.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$148,861.00

ARTICLE 14 Select Board recommends: \$132,950.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$132,950.00

ARTICLE 15 Select Board recommends: \$168,115.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$168,115.00

ARTICLE 16 Select Board recommends: \$23,971.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$23,971.00

ARTICLE 17 Select Board recommends: \$50,000.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$50,000.00

ARTICLE 18 Select Board recommends: \$1,271,847.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$1,271,847.00

ARTICLE 19 Select Board recommends: \$812,936.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$812,936.00

ARTICLE 20 Select Board recommends: \$2,683,894.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$2,683,894.00

ARTICLE 21 Select Board recommends: YES

Budget Committee recommends: YES

ARTICLE 22 Select Board recommends: YES
Budget Committee recommends: YES

ARTICLE 23 Select Board recommends: \$138,500.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$138,500.00

ARTICLE 24 Select Board recommends: \$50,000.00
Budget Committee recommends: \$50,000.00

ARTICLE 25 Select Board recommends: Yes, given the condition that transportation will not be provided by the Town (5 in favor- 1 Opposed)
Budget Committee recommends: Yes, given the condition that transportation will not be provided by the Town (3 in favor- 1 Opposed)

ARTICLE 26 Select Board recommends: YES
Budget Committee recommends: YES

ARTICLE 27 Select Board recommends: YES Motion by Nathaniel, seconded by Brian
Budget Committee recommends: YES

ARTICLE 28 Select Board recommends: YES Motion by Jon, seconded by Brian
Budget Committee recommends: YES

ARTICLE 29 Select Board recommends: Yes (3 in favor- 2 Opposed Sparling and Pond) Motion by Jon with the recommendation not to exceed \$8,000, seconded by Brian
Budget Committee recommends: (3 in favor- 3 Opposed) Motion by Joe, seconded by Joel

ARTICLE 30 Select Board recommends: NO (1 in favor, 4 Opposed)
Budget Committee recommends: NO (2 in favor, 4 Opposed) Motion by Joe, seconded by Joel

ARTICLE 31 Select Board recommends: \$387,179 Motion by Toby, seconded by Lacy
Budget Committee recommends: \$387,179

ARTICLE 32 Select Board recommends: \$107,323 Moved by Lacy, seconded by Jon (Jon wants to recommend to go back to the previous allocation based upon population and criteria)

Budget Committee recommends: \$107,323

ARTICLE 33 Select Board recommends: \$12,628
Budget Committee recommends: \$12,628

ARTICLE 34 Select Board recommends: \$524,793 Motion by Jon, seconded by Brian
(Jon amends the motion to lower the price to remove the multure head)
Budget Committee recommends: \$524,793

ARTICLE 35 Select Board recommends: \$57,220 Moved by Toby, seconded by Lacy
Budget Committee recommends: \$57,220

ARTICLE 36 Select Board recommends: \$76,231 Moved by Jon, seconded by Lacy
Budget Committee recommends: \$76,231

ARTICLE 37 Select Board recommends: \$20,000 Moved by Lacy, seconded by Toby
Budget Committee recommends: \$20,000

ARTICLE 38 Select Board recommends: YES
Budget Committee recommends: YES

ARTICLE 39 Select Board recommends: \$269,000 (4 in favor 1 Opposed Sparling)
Moved by Jon, seconded by Toby
Budget Committee recommends: \$269,000 (5 in favor 1 Opposed St. Clair)

ARTICLE 40 Select Board recommends: YES Moved by Jon, seconded by Brian
Budget Committee recommends: YES

ARTICLE 41 Select Board recommends: No Move to recommend to reject, with the
understanding that the contract will be looked into
Budget Committee recommends: Yes (5 in favor 1 Opposed Swimm)

ARTICLE 42 Select Board recommends: YES Moved by Lacy, seconded by Toby
Budget Committee recommends: YES

Adjournment Adjournment at 9:17 pm

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
7:00 pm VIA ZOOM and IN PERSON
Tuesday May 31, 2022

ROLL CALL OF SELECTMEN Toby Pond, Lacy Badeau, Brian Holman, Jon Beekman, Nathaniel Sparling

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE Michael Carlson, Michael Hicks, Carol Hicks, Kirstie, Elaine Wilcox, Belinda Bothwick, Joan Cook, Brent St.Clair

PLEDGE Stated

PUBLIC COMMENTS

COMMITTEE REPORTS No report.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Old Business

New Business

SELECTMEN CANDIDATES

Mark Robinson held interviews for selectmen candidates, including question and answer.

Michael Carlson

Wesley Bowen

Nathaniel Sparling- incumbent

Lacy Badeau- incumbent

Discussed raising taxes, and tax struggles for the elderly, what you would like to see the town invest in, roads, communication to the town (news coverage), Starling Hall, internet, keeping property taxes down with school budget (61% of town budget)

WARRANTS

Mark Robinson reviewed the annual Town Meeting Warrant articles

Mark Robinson reviewed the Referendum Questions

- Clarification on referendum and petition articles: referendum questions supercede town meeting articles if both are to pass

Discussion

The town has a responsibility, according to MMA, to maintain Starling Hall, obligated by law

REGULAR SELECTMEN MEETING

SELECTMEN ATTENDANCE Brian Holman, Toby Pond, Lacy Badeau

SELECTMEN COMMITTEE REPORTS none

PUBLIC COMMENTS Thank you to the Selectmen candidates

NEW BUSINESS

22-55 Motion to reappoint Gerald Mitchell to Appeals Board by Lacy, seconded by Toby. Vote 3-0

22-57 WARRANTS 23 and 24 Motion by Brian, seconded by Toby. Vote 3-0

22-58 BOARD OF SELECTMEN COMMENTS Brian asked about reaching out about trash. Lucy commented about the new paving, to be cautious when entering and exiting Route 17.

Adjournment Motion by Brian, seconded by Toby.