Town of Jefferson Select Board Meeting October 9, 2023 Jefferson Community Center

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Selectman Terri Larcomb, Selectman Kevin Meehan, Maura Chappelle, Andrea Gendron, James Akerman and Amanda Simino were also present.

Absent: Select Board Chair Norman Brown

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Public Input: Maura Chappelle: Maura wrote a letter to the Select Board regarding BOA and special exceptions. She stated that a member of the Board of Adjustments is a short-term rental owner who she feels is a conflict of interest when voting on short-term rentals. She would like the Select Board to address this issue with the member and ask that the member recuse themselves from voting on short-term rentals during BOA hearings. Selectman Kevin Meehan stated that he didn't think this member was the owner of the short-term rental that it is a family member of this member. James Akerman stated that if the BOA member isn't the name on the application, he doesn't see the issue of this member voting on short-term rentals. The Select Board will review the RSA's noted in Maura's letter and have a further discussion. James Akerman: James talked to someone about the Jefferson North property. Recently James noticed an excavator being unloaded on the property. James contacted the property manager of the property and was told that there would be a campground going in on the property next to the Jefferson North property. The Select Board stated that nothing has been brought to the town and if there is significant work being done then the owner will be contacted and told what the process and regulations that need to be followed for such a project.

Selectman Kevin Meehan made a motion to approve drafted meeting minutes from the September 18, & 25, 2023, Select Board meeting. Selectman Terri Larcomb seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

Selectman Kevin Meehan made a motion to approve payroll for September 25, 2023, October 1, 2-3, & 9, 2023. Selectman Terri Larcomb seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

Selectman Kevin Meehan made a motion to approve accounts payable for September 29, 2023, & October 6, 2023. Selectman Terri Larcomb seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

**Heartwood use of JCC:** Heartwood would like to utilize the JCC building and grounds for their 6-week winter program so that the children that will not be attending the ski program have something fun to enjoy as well during this time. The 6-weeks would be every Tuesday from 12:00-3:00 starting on January 8 and run through February 16.

The Select Board will discuss when Select Board Chair Norman Brown returns for package deals for use of the building and grounds.

## Other Business:

- Select Board reviewed and initialed Unpaid Bills October 6, 2023
- Select Board reviewed and initialed General Fund August 2023 statement
- Select Board reviewed and initialed Deposits & GL's September 19 & 26, 2023
- Select Board reviewed and initialed corrected Deposit August 3, 2023
- Select Board reviewed and initialed GL September 30, 2023
- Select Board reviewed and motioned CN Brown's estimates for LP & Oil. Selectman Kevin Meehan made a motion to except CN Brown's estimates of 6,000 gal. of LP at the rate of \$1.829 and 1,000 gal. of Oil at the rate of \$3.719. Selectman Terri Larcomb seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.
- Select Board reviewed the Belfor estimate for the remaining town documents that need to be cleaned from the fire.
- Select Board reviewed and signed Timber Billing for Deborah & Adam Beck
- Select Board reviewed and signed MS-535
- Select Board reviewed and motioned Shelly & Bruce DuPont's request for the reimbursement of the corner stones they purchased through the town. Selectman Kevin Meehan made a motion to reimburse the DuPont's \$200.00 for the cemetery corner stones purchased through the town. Selectman Terri Larcomb seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.
- Select Board reviewed the Thank You card they received from Mary Gross

James Akerman: He wanted to let the Select Board know that he has been working on a committee for the school district on the possibility of moving 7 & 8 grades to the High School and pre-school to Whitefield Elementary School. There is a lot of work being done on the feasibility of this move. He feels that everyone should be aware of what is going on and that they should voice their opinions and concerns about this possibility. The biggest concern that he has been hearing about is the busing and the amount of time most kids already spend on the bus. If this change happens more kids will be on buses longer. The Select Board thanked James for bringing this to their attention and thanked him for his work on this committee.

Selectman Kevin Meehan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m. Selectman Terri Larcomb seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

\*\*\*\*Next Select Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 23, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m. \*\*\*\*

Respectfully Submitted by:

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