**MINUTES Special SELECTBOARD MEETING**

**Thursday January 14, 2021 @4:15 PM**

**Attendance of Selectboard by Electronic Devices**

**Meeting being held electronically pursuant to 1 VSA 312, including The Legislature’s H.861 (2020) “Temporary Suspension of Designated Physical Meeting Location Requirements”**

**Public, wishing to attend the meeting may use the link posted on the Agenda for that meeting.**

**Present at the hearings and meeting were:** Chair Joe Pollio, Stan Mack, Cathy Siano-Goodwin, and John Gregory. Al Sands has resigned, and seat is currently vacant.

**Others present:** Hardy and Nancy Merrill, Eric Stevens, Kim Record Clerk-Treasurer, and Bill Kearns Town Administrator.

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Open the meeting: the chair opened the regular meeting of the Selectboard at 4:15 PM. PM

1. Adopt Agenda. Stan Mack moved to adopt the agenda as presented, second Cathy Siano-Goodwin. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Clerk/Treasurer:
   * Consider and take action on Articles to be voted at Town Meeting: Kim Record led the Board and those present through the articles one at a time. There was a duplication of the Humanitarian article and that was corrected including renumbering of articles. There was discussion regarding the issue of the office of delinquent tax collector. As this address does not have to be addressed till 2023 and since it will be difficult to have good discussion at Town Meeting over this issue, it was decided to leave any action on Delinquest Tax Collector to next year at the soonest. Keeping the issues to be voted on simple to understand and vote on is important in this situation where town meeting is all Australian ballot. Article 18 needed correcting as the 1% tax is on overdue payments not delinquent payments. Bill Kearns will check the language and bring it and all Articles for final approval at SB meeting on Jan 19th. Motion by John Gregory, second Cathy Siano-Goodwin to accept the Articles as presented and note the possible edits and make final approval at SB meeting on the 19th of January 2021. Motion passed 4-0.
   * Take action on interest accrued from Walker Bridge Account. The Clerk stated the issue raised by her to the outside Accountant, Sullivan Powers regarding interest on the money in a repurchase agreement held in the bank for Walker Bridge. The account had accrued $2,923 and the accountant said that in order to retain that money for Walker Bridge, the money should be moved into the reserve for Walker Bridge. Motion by Stan Mack, second Cathy Siano-Goodwin to move the $2,923 which had accrued in interest on the repurchase agreement for Walker Bridge project into the reserve for the Walker Bridge project. Motion passed 4-0
3. Other Business. The Clerks asked that mailing ballots issue be put on Monday’s meeting agenda as the legislature is to talk about and act on the issue on Friday. Also the final approval of articles should be on that agenda.
4. Public Comment - None
5. Date of Next Selectboard Meeting: January 19 (Microsoft Teams)
6. Adjourn Stan Mack moved, second John Gregory to adjourn at 4:50 PM. Motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

William G. Kearns, Town Administrator