

TOWN OF LISBON, NEW HAMPSHIRE INCORPORATED 1763

Board of Selectmen's Meeting Monday January 27, 2020 6pm Lisbon Regional School Library

PRESENT: Scott Champagne, Selectman-Chair; Brian Higgins, Selectman; Arthur Boutin, Selectman; Krystle Dow, Administrative Assistant

PUBLIC: Jennifer Trelfa; Audrey Champagne; Jeffrey Jones

Budget Hearing began at 6pm- The board began the budget hearing for the Town of Lisbon's purposed 2020 budget. The board went through the budget department by department and told the public that attended if they had any questions they could speak up.

Scott Champagne (Chairman) stated that you will notice increase in departments and most of that is due to everyone getting a three percent increase pay raise and health insurance has gone up 10.7% as well.

Mr. Jones wanted to know why there was a larger increase in the Administrative Assistant salary line versus everyone else. Scott Champagne (Chairman) stated it is because the admin assistant has taken on more responsibilities and trying to get the town up to date with certain projects. Scott went on to say that Voter Registration has increased due to having four elections this year. He stated that the overall Financial Administration went down and this is because we do not use our Financial Director as much as we have in the past. He stated that the assessing line has decreased and that is because this past year the town had a town wide

revaluation. He stated again that if there is a departmental increase it due to salaries and health insurance. There was one bottom line that was on the budget that the board and admin assistant was unsure of and stated they would speak with Greg Colby (Financial Director).

The board then moved on to the potential warrant articles. Each potential article was read and discussed. Mr. Jones stated that he could only see one that scares him, and it was the warrant article pertaining to a 25ft buffer along all perennial streams. Scott Champagne stated that basically these zoning ordinances are recommended from the state along with the wording. He stated they are trying to clean up some of the non-specified areas in town and that really it doesn't even apply to Mr. Jones where he is.

The other question Mr. Jones had was he wanted someone to explain what "Animal Husbandry" was/meant. Scott Champagne stated it is basically the selling of goats, cows, and such. Animal Husbandry is basically breeding and selling farm animals.

The board asked any other members if they had questions in which nobody did, so Scott Champagne made a motion to end the public budget hearing and Arthur Boutin seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion. **The time was 7:01pm.**

Approval of minutes from January 20th BOS meeting: Arthur Boutin made a motion to approve the January 20th BOS meeting minutes as written and Brian Higgins seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

<u>Certificate of Occupancy:</u> There are two Certificates of Occupancy that need to be reviewed and signed. The first is for Map U04 Lot 64 which is for the new café on Main Street (Lovin Café). Scott Champagne made a motion to approve and sign and Brian Higgins seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

The second is for Map R07 L01 which is for a residential home belonging to Bert Wetherbee. Scott Champagne made a motion to approve and sign and Arthur Boutin seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

Special Event Form: Lisbon Stump Jumpers filled out the Special Event Application for the 13th Annual Vintage Snowmobile Race. The race is scheduled for February 8th beginning at 10am. The race will take place

on Route 302 across from Dale Colby's Autobody. Brian Higgins made a motion to approve and Arthur Boutin seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

<u>Donation to Lisbon Life Squad:</u> There was a donation made to the Lisbon Life Squad in the amount of \$200.00 from Skinny Ridge Farm. Arthur Boutin made a motion to accept and Brian Higgins seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

Email to Highway: An email came to the Highway Department in reference to Northey Hill Road. The email stated that the resident appreciated the road improvement to the final hill that was done this fall. They stated the improvement has made a huge difference especially now that winter is here. They also stated that in addition they were impressed how the extra soil from the widening was integrated off the side. It has been their experience that the public works department has always been friendly, helpful, and responsive with issues.

The board stated that it is nice to hear compliments for residents. Thank you to the Highway Crew.

7:13 PM Scott Champagne made a motion to go into non-public to discuss a deceased resident list and possible dedication. Brian Higgins seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

7:23 The board came out of non-public

7:24 PM Brian Higgins made a motion to adjourn and Arthur Boutin seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

NEXT BOS MEETING: February 3, 2020 @ 6:30 pm at the Lisbon Railroad Station.

Respectfully submitted by Krystle Dow

Board of Selectmen:

Chairman Scott Champagne

> Selectmen Arthur Boutin

Selectmen Brian Higgins

Approved / Not Approved on: 02/03/2020