Board of Selectmen Meeting
Wednesday June 12, 2019
Following Public Hearing
Chelsea Town Office

I. Call to regular meeting to order:

Selectboard present included: Deborah Sanderson, Michael Pushard and Benjamin Smith

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 PM by Sanderson.

Members of the public present included Scott Tilton, Taylor Houdlette and Richard Danforth

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. Public Comment on items not part of the agenda:

Rick Danforth – requested that when the time to appoint volunteers came the Selectboard consider not appointing former members of groups that did not take out nomination papers

III. Adjustments to the agenda: None

IV. Consent Agenda:

A. Approval of Accounts Payable Warrant #55 in the amount of $33,342.32
B. Approval of Payroll Warrant #56 in the amount of $7,132.85
C. Approval of Payroll Warrant #57 in the amount of $9,611.23
D. Approval of Accounts Payable Warrant #58 in the amount of $233,854.12
E. Approval of May 23, 2019 Selectboard Public Hearing Minutes
F. Approval of May 23, 2019 Selectboard Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Smith to approve Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E and F as presented. The vote was unanimous
V. Scheduled Items:

A. New Business:

1. 2020 Accident Insurance for Volunteers Program Renewal

There was a discussion on the value to Chelsea in purchasing accident insurance for the volunteers serving on various boards and committees. The coverage is an added incentive for residents to help serve. No action to purchase the insurance will be taken until the meeting when annual appointments are made.

2. Chelsea Public Event Planning Input

The Selectboard reviewed an event planning document prepared by Taylor Houdlette, Chelsea Summer Intern. The document outlines several events that Chelsea could sponsor to promote community spirit. The Selectboard were excited to have the document and will review it prior to the next meeting. The possibility of holding an event will be more thoroughly discussed.

B. Old Business:

1. Prepare for Town Meeting

The Manager and the Selectboard discussed the Town Meeting agenda, various articles of significance and assigned duties. No action was at taken.

2. CMP Transmission Line and Sub Station Valuation

The Selectboard/Board of Assessors had requested the Assessors Agent review the current CMP values and the possibility of aligning the values with neighboring towns with similar transmission line and sub stations. The review was not ready currently. No action was taken.

3. Status Update and discuss the purchase of Chelsea Market

Not all members of the Selectboard have had an opportunity to inspect Chelsea Market. Selectboard members agreed to make this a priority so that a decision could be made on how to proceed. No action was taken.

4. 1989 Kenworth Fire Tanker disposition

The Town has received a bid of $3500 on the 1989 KW Fire Tanker. The Selectboard did not take any action on this. Instead they agreed to defer the decision to dispose of the vehicle to a Procurement Officer.
VI. Legal:

A. Discussion Tax Acquired Property at 330 Togus Road - (Sherman/Coutts)

The Conservation Committee has recently walked this property. At the next meeting information will be provided to the Selectboard which will allow them to decide how to proceed with the property.

B. Adoption of Traffic Control Ordinance Amendment

The closure of McLaughlin Circle to vehicles over 23,000lbs was discussed. The Selectboard requested the Town Manager prepare an amendment to the traffic control ordinance which would allow the Road Commissioner to close McLaughlin Circle at certain times of the year when the road is vulnerable to damage. No action was taken.

VII. Written Communication:

A. The Selectboard reviewed the Town Manager Report
B. The Selectboard reviewed the Treasurers Report
C. The Selectboard reviewed the Town Clerk Report
D. The Selectboard reviewed the CEO Report
E. The Selectboard reviewed the Deputy Clerk Report
F. The Selectboard reviewed the Summer Intern Report
G. The Selectboard reviewed the Conservation Committee Minutes from May 14, 2019 Meeting
H. The Selectboard reviewed the Notice from U. S. Department of Justice

VIII. Verbal Communication:

A. Town Manager – None
B. Chelsea’s RSU #12 Representatives – None
C. Boards and Committees – Mr. Danforth discussed the work the Budget Committee did to review the 2019/20 Budget
D. Board of Selectmen/Assessors –

Smith – None
Pushard – None
Sanderson – None
IX. Executive Session: None

X. Adjournment:

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Smith to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous. Sanderson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:50PM.

Approved by the Board of Selectmen on June 27, 2019

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Deborah Sanderson                          Michael Pushard

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Benjamin Smith