

**Chelsea Selectboard Meeting Minutes**  
**May 25, 2022**  
**Chelsea Town Office**  
**6:30PM**

**I. Call meeting to order:**

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:32PM by Pushard.

Selectboard present in person included: Michael Pushard, Sheri Truman and Jason Mills.

Public present in person included: Scott Tilton, Dot Grady and Molly Alexander

**II. Public Comment on Items Not on Agenda: NONE**

**III. Adjustments to the Agenda: NONE**

**IV. Consent Agenda:**

- A. Accounts Payable Warrant #51 in the amount of **\$255,619.74**
- B. Payroll Warrant #52 in the amount of **\$6,958.55**
- C. May 11, 2022 Selectboard Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Truman to approve Consent Agenda Items A, B and C as presented. The vote was 2 – 0 – 1 (Mills abstain)

**V. Scheduled Items:**

**A. New Business –**

- 1. Support a letter to the Kennebec County Commissioners requesting support for a county wide broadband assessment.**

The Selectboard agreed to sign the letter supporting a request that the Kennebec County Commissioners facilitate a county wide broadband assessment.

## **2. Management of the John Bernier Scholarship Fund**

The Manager provided a brief overview to the Selectboard on the origins of the John Bernier Fund. The Selectboard expressed initial support of the Chelsea PTA taking control of the management and operation of the fund. They have questions that they want to ask the Chelsea PTA before approving the change. No action was taken

### **B. Old Business – NONE**

## **VI. Legal:**

### **A. Certification of the Wind Energy Systems Ordinance**

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Truman to certify the Wind Energy Ordinance to the Town Clerk as the ordinance the voters will vote on June 16, 2022. The vote was unanimous

### **B. Certification of the Solar Array Moratorium Ordinance**

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Truman to certify the Solar Array Moratorium Ordinance to the Town Clerk as the ordinance the voters will vote on June 16, 2022. The vote was unanimous

### **C. MMA 2022-24 Legislative Policy Committee Nominations**

The Manager explained what the MMA Legislative Policy does. He asked if Selectboard members had any interest in serving on the committee. There wasn't any interest currently.

## **VI. Legal: continued**

### **D. 2022 Personal Property Tax Abatement**

#### **1. John and Elizabeth Campbell – Acct 93PP- 5,100 Assessment**

The Manager /Tax Collector explained to the Selectboard that the personal property tax assessed to John and Elizabeth Campbell was assessed in error. The tax needs to be abated. A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Truman to approve a 2021-22 personal property tax abatement on Acct 93 in the assessed value of \$5,100 which is \$99.20 in value. The vote was unanimous.

### **E. Adoption of the 2021 Updated Kennebec County Hazard Mitigation Plan**

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Truman to approve a resolution adopting the updated 2021 Kennebec County Hazard Mitigation Plan. The vote was unanimous.

### **F. Approve and Sign 2022 Town Meeting Warrant**

The Manager and the Selectboard reviewed the proposed 2022 Town Meeting Warrant. It was concluded that there weren't any additional changes. A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Truman to approve and sign the warrant for the 2022 Annual Elections and Town Meeting. The vote was unanimous.

## **VII. Written Communication:**

- A. The Selectboard reviewed a letter from Chelsea Historical Society
- B. The Selectboard reviewed a letter from MDOT dated May 9, 2022

## **VIII. Verbal Communication:**

- A. SVRSU #12 School Board – NONE
- B. Boards and Committees –
  - Dot Grady – Age Friendly Committee – updated the Selectboard on upcoming events

**VIII. Verbal Communication :**

C. Town Manager – highlights from the Managers written report were shared with the Selectboard

D. Board of Selectmen/Assessors Comments and Concerns –

Sheri – NONE

Jason – NONE

Mike – NONE

**IX. Executive Session:**

A. Town Manager Search

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Truman to go into executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA §405(6)(A). The vote was unanimous. In at 7:40PM.

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Truman to come out of executive session. The vote was unanimous. Out at 8:11PM.

**X. Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Pushard that was seconded by Truman to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 8:12PM.

Approved by the Selectboard on June 8, 2022

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Michael Pushard

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Sheri Truman

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Jason Mills