Board of Selectmen Minutes of April 4, 2023 Hybrid meeting

Present: LaCava, Angevine

Regrets: Papp

Recording Secretary: C Frisbie

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm by First Selectman LaCava

1) Minutes of March 21, 2023: Motion (Papp/Angevine) All in Favor Motion passes 3-0-0

2) Additions to agenda: None

3) First Selectman's Report:

- Bears are out please be mindful of your garbage totes, little dogs and your surroundings
- DPW preparing to sweep roads, roadside cleanup, repairing intersections/curbing etc. where washouts occurred.
- SS had a great turn out for the Tea & Paint: about 17+/- attending ranging from 3-93 in ages. Continue to offer social and emotional enhancement programs.
- P&R see attached report.
- We will be offering a "Stop the Bleed" course in Town. TAHD is offering 4 different classes 3 being held at TAHD office and 1 at the Warren Town Hall. Watch for more information. Our staff will be having this class for them this summer.
- Broadband update; met with Frontier and they are ready to roll out their fiber optics program. We are coordinating an open forum meeting date. Watch for more information.
- Fireworks will be held on Saturday, July 1st with a rain date of Sunday July 2nd. They will be held down near the Lake again this year.
- Something for Selectmen to think about: Wake Boats becoming a big concern at the Lake. Will be working with Kent, Washington, LWTF and other lake organizations on how to approach this matter.
- Sent the Fire company a draft policy regarding the removal of apparatus from the Town. LaCava will be reviewing with Fire Chief to come up with a policy for this matter.
- RSD20 Mascot: at the RSD6 BOE it was announced that the "bobcat" was the chosen winner of the Mascot Madness selection. BOE will now meet to discuss names, colors, name of school, etc.
- The Town Hall hosted an exercise with the Warren School staff for safety protocols.
- LaCava, Brown and Tanner met with Childcare on their safety protocols.
- LWA planted 15 trees at the State Park in Kent. They are accepting donations to purchase and plant more at the State Park.
- The LW Interlocal held its annual meeting with the 3 Selectmen.

- Daniel Burr is the ambassador for the Circle of Run being held in Wilton on April 30th. We are coordinating with different organizations and groups in town to hold a celebration afterwards at Warren Woods at 3pm. The Women of Warren Walking Group will be leading a walk at the Woods. You can always register and run, walk, jog at the Circle of Run event in Wilton CT to help raise funds to help those with cancer.
- RORF (Regional Opioid Response Fund) Working and pooling our resources with the COG and other surrounding towns and organizations in the fight to stop the opioid epidemic.
- We continue to develop staff training bi-monthly. We have held CPR/AED training, ethics, sexual harassment and next with be "Stop the Bleed"
- **4) Review of FY 2022-2023 Expenditures:** We are doing fine with the exception of recycling. The past 2 years our expenses were less than \$5000 and this year we are overbudget. People are recycling more and our tonnage is up.
- 5) Budget Workshop: LaCava presented the budget reviewing the major increases such as the increase in road funds our roads are in desperate need of repair and the increase of oil based materials has increased dramatically. Capital/Town improvements we have roofs to repair, the HVAC systems at the Town Hall and Community Center are in constant need of repair or replacement, siding for the Library, etc. A 4% salary raise for staff is included in the budget along with some added hours to some and a new part-time Custodian/Maintenance person has been added. *Motion (LaCava/Angevine) to send the draft budget to the Board of Finance. All in favor Motion passes 2-0-0*
- 6) **Public Comment:** The following resident(s) spoke:
 - H. Tammen

Note: Give Local, which our town organizations are part of, will take place on April 25th.

Town Wide Cleanup will be held on Saturday, April 22nd (Earth Day)

Next meeting will be Tuesday, April 18th Budget Hearing will be May 4th

Motion (Angevine/LaCava) to adjourn at 5:55 pm

All in Favor Motion passes 3-0-0

Respectfully submitted by Colleen Frisbie

Submitted attachments are available at the Town Hall, Town Clerk's Office

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