Board of Selectmen June 16, 2020 Meeting via 700m

Present: Angevine, Nelson, Papp

Regrets:

Recording: C Frisbie

Meeting called to order at 5:02pm by Angevine

- 1) Minutes: Motion (Nelson/Papp) to approve the Minutes of the June 2, 2020 Meeting All Approved
- 2) Additions: Motion (Nelson/Papp) to add Pavilion at Woods All Approved
- 3) Addition Pavilion at Woods: Nelson said he received a request to put eye-screws along the outside of the Pavilion to hang tent curtains for a September wedding. the eye –screws will be permanent so others could have the same opportunity to hang a tent curtain for their event. Motion (Nelson/Papp)to give permission for the planner to put in eye-screws at their expense and leave them installed All Approved Angevine and/or J Tanner will oversee the installation
- **4) Discussion of in-person meetings per Governor's Executive Orders:** Angevine thought since we were starting phase II of opening the State, there might have been an executive order for municipalities to conduct meetings but nothing has come down from the Governor
- 5) **Date for Town Meeting:** Since there has been no executive orders for holding town meetings, we will not be able to discuss a date
- 6) **Update of Wasley Farm Committee:** Angevine has a good group working together encouraged residents to listen to the audio of the last meeting held this past Thursday. The minutes and audio should be available within the next few days
- **7) Panic Buttons:** Berkshire alarm started the installation of the buttons today and the technical crew will be in tomorrow to complete the installation. R Valine (Registrar) would like to test the buttons downstairs in the meeting room (election area) to confirm the buttons work down there
- 8) First Selectman's Report: Angevine apologized for not having his report with him at home, he left it at work. It is simply a summary of a few things. We are optimistic the COVID is settling down and was hopeful that this summer we would be able to have meetings, but it didn't work out. He will apply his written report for the minutes. (see attached)

9) Public Comment:

- a. H Tammen: feels the minutes are incorrect from 6/02 meeting #8 re: P&R, he also wants his public statement at that meeting to say " wants public comment at every BOF meeting", refinancing of the town bonds- what are you doing about it
- b. J Schultz: questioned the monitoring at the Community Center and other buildings and would like to know if there is a plan to connect the wires to have the building monitored. Nelson stated Berkshire Alarm looked at both the Community Center and Academy Selectmen will continue to research and resolve monitoring at buildings
- c. J Mansfield WHS is able to apply for the grant as long as the Selectmen could write a letter confirming the conservatorship of the Brick School has been 20 years and show proof of insurance on the building Angevine stated that the school model will be removed once we get the dumpster

Motion (Nelson/Papp) to adjourn at 5:27pm All Approved

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Selectman's Report June 16, 2020

The tax bills will start to be received into the community on July 1 for real estate and personal property. If anyone in the Community is having financial difficulty and would like to use the Tax deferral program set in place by the State of CT please know that you have 90 additional days to pay your taxes from the original due date of the tax payment. If possible I encourage you to pay your taxes now. If you cannot, please consider paying what you can now and defer only what you have to. Interest and fees will begin after the 90 day deferral period is over. If you have any questions please call the Warren Town Hall.

The Warren & Washington Food Bank is open every Thursday from 10-12 and will be until further notice. Please contact Missy at Social Services with any questions or donations.

Since I began this job as First Selectman in November 2019 I knew there would be difficult times and unforeseen challenges I would face. I came to office to try and offer greater transparency into the process of Town Government and encourage the Community to become more involved. We have all had to change with the introduction of the Corona Virus, our town has changed and there have been some challenges I have faced. Doing this job has been difficult yet rewarding and I appreciate all the support I have received from the Community. The road ahead is narrow and winding at times as I continue to learn and work to gain the trust and respect of those I work with. In the next few weeks I hope to begin to implement some changes that will improve the structure of our systems at Warren Town Hall and add clarity to our policies and procedures. I believe this step will help us continue towards the goal of more equitable pay and improve the workplace environment for all Town of Warren employees.

To all of my friends, co-workers and everyone in the community please consider this: "Whatever anybody says or does, assume positive intent. You may be amazed at how your whole approach to a person or problem becomes very different." Indra Nooyi

Thank you.
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