Board of Selectmen Minutes of June 21, 2022 Hybrid meeting

Present: LaCava, Angevine

Attended via zoom: Papp

Recording Secretary: Frisbie

Meeting called to order at 5:01 pm by First Selectman LaCava

1) Minutes of June 7, 2022: Motion (Papp/Angevine) to approve the minutes All in Favor Motion passes 3-0-0

2) Additions to agenda: None

- 3) Procurement Policy: Motion (Angevine) to change the policy to \$15,000 Papp seconded for discussion. Angevine made a motion to amend his first motion Papp seconded Motion to change item 1 to state "\$10,000 to \$15,000 may be awarded by the First Selectman" and item #2 to have "in excess of \$15,000 may be awarded by the Board of Selectmen" and would like the auditor and Board of Finance to review All in Favor Motion passes 3-0-0
- 4) Board of Selectmen's meetings: LaCava would like to change all the Selectmen's meetings to 5:00pm since the quarterly meeting at 6:30 will conflict with the new P&Z meeting schedule. Motion (Angevine/Papp) to return to the 5:00pm meeting schedule eliminating the 6:30pm quarterly meeting time and if needed a special meeting for residents would be considered by the selectmen to change the time of the meeting *All in Favor Motion passes 3-0-0*
- 5) First Selectman's Report: LaCava welcomed everyone to the meeting and opened with information about the underground railroad that possibly went from the old Rooster Tail underneath Route 45 to the home on the other side, but unable to confirm.
 - Summer is officially here and would like to remind everyone that our children are out of school and the lake area will be busy with the beaches, so please drive slowly and be aware of everyone on the roads
 - Each month we have been having a Selectman's corner in different venues in Town for residents to join me in conversation about our town
 - Reminder there is a Lifeguard shortage in CT if anyone is looking for a job and is certified, we are still taking applications
 - Traffic Light in the center of Town still having a few complaints of it not
 working properly when approaching it from Rte. 45S we have had DOT and
 NYConn out multiple times to figure out the problem, but it hasn't happened

with them there. They changed a timing for right turns off Rte. 45 and maybe that might have something to do with it. We will continue to monitor the situation

- The Book Drop bin has been installed at the Warren Library Thank you to Public Works for getting this done
- Continuing to meet with Paramedic Committee on the future of this service.
 Talk has included possible regionalization for BLS (Basic Life Support) crews
- We had some serious vandalism at Warren Woods in the past weeks. We do have camera's and have given the Police the information. We are looking into an additional camera to help in catching the people vandalizing the area.
 We are also looking into changing fees for security deposits, cleaning, out of town rentals, etc.
- The Beach Road has been fixed Thank you to Josh and the guys for doing a great job on this dirt road.
- Spoke with the Principal of Warren School and in the fall LaCava will be serving breakfast to the students and teachers approximately once a month to show our appreciation
- Port-a-potty will be placed at the Warren Garden area
- Looking into a fall emergency drill with the Fire Company mass casualty drill
- Meeting with the NWHCoG representatives regarding federal funds
- Our Tax Collector will be leaving us in July we wish her the best. We are actively looking for a replacement
- EMS plan goal is to have completed by the end of summer
- Composting Program will start after July 4th. The bins will be placed at the Town Garage. More information will be available in the next week for residents.
- ARPA discussion group is finishing up on compiling information of fund usage to submit to the BoS
- Parks and Recreation report read
- A staff meeting will be held in July with continued training for employees
- Continue to work on keeping our Heart Safe Community status
- The old Wasley home will be rented as of July 1st. We are in the process of installing new appliances, turning on the power & water, cleaning it out, and getting it ready for occupancy
- EV program may have funding available through the Federal Gov't that would pay up to 80% of the cost. Looking into this
- Broadband survey has been collected and the results have been compiled.
 Altice is going forward with the installation of a "box" on Cornwall Rd.
- Heating/Cooling system at Town Hall is having problems. Have parts ordered.
- Data from the NWHCOG on a 3year crash has been made available to us

- Would like to have a discussion with Selectmen down the road regarding the Fire Company taking apparatus (trucks) out of town. Was previously a "gentleman's agreement"
- Finishing up on an emergency management series on disabilities
- American Red Cross has trainings in different communities
- Thank you to Arbor Services for fertilizing and helping with the trees in the center of town with the sponge moth caterpillars
- Eversource is conducting a training June 21-23
- CT Challenge will be taking place July 30th
- Social Services Report read
- **6) Public Comment:** The following residents spoke:
 - a. E Schoenfeld
 - b. J Manley
 - c. W Tammen

Motion (Papp/Angevine) to adjourn at 5:44 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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