# MINUTES SELECTMEN'S MEETING March, 1 2021

Call to Order. The Town of Campton Board of Selectmen meeting was called to order at 5:30p.m. on Monday, March 1, 2021 by Chairman Craig Keeney via Zoom. Due to the ongoing emergency orders in place, the Board is operating under RSA 91-A:2 that allows for remote participation by Board Members.

The following Selectmen were present: Craig Keeney, Chair Sharon Davis Bill Cheney Dan Boynton

Four members being present, a quorum (3) has been reached. Also present were Town Administrator Carina Park and Jade Hartsgrove, Recorder. Member from the public was Ron Goggans.

**Approval of Minutes:** Selectman Davis made a motion to approve the Public minutes and as corrected from February 22, 2021. Selectman Boynton seconded the motion, and the Board voted unanimously to accept.

### **New Business**

RFP Annual Landscaping & Mowing Contract: Carina provided the Board with a revised RFP Landscaping & Mowing Contract. The only change is mowing at Deer Run Dam and the Beebe River leach field. Selectman Davis asked if the contract included weeding out front at the Municipal Building, because in years past it was falling behind. Carina explained that there is a section about pruning and weeding and just be more diligent with the landscaping crew. Selectman Cheney asked what the crew is supposed to supply? Carina said that the contract is for materials and supplies. Carina said she usually posts it on the website, and calls some local contractors. Chairman Keeney told the Board if they have anyone in mind to call them as well.

Tax Deeded Property Auction- Summer 2021: Carina provided a list of properties that will go to auction this summer. Some of them require the Town to give the owners' rights to repurchase and there is a 90-day statutory noticing period so she would like to get the process started. Chairman Keeney asked if this discussion needs to be done in non-public, and Carina said no, its public knowledge. Selectman Davis asked if there are any properties that are occupied. Carina said none of them are. Selectman Cheney said that the values seem high, and Chairman Keeney agreed and asked where the values are coming from? These are the assessed values that the Town has on record. Chairman Keeney asked how is a minimum bid decided on? Carina suggested of doing a sealed bid process and when that time comes the Board can set each minimum bid accordingly. Chairman Keeney asked everyone if they were good with the sealed bid, Selectman Cheney stated he was not, he likes an open auction. Carina said that this is just to get the process started. The Selectmen can decide to do it differently when the time comes; however, if they decided to do it by sealed bid, the Board does not have to accept any bid. Selectman Davis also commented that a sealed bid process is much less expensive than a public auction because of the public auctioneer expenses.

## Correspondence

**Regional Impact:** The ZBA in Gilford sent the Board a notice of a public hearing. They believe it has a regional impact putting a cell tower in.

Pressure Washer: The Highway department is looking to get a pressure washer with multiple attachments that will allow them to clean out frozen culverts, clean under the big trucks which will help with salt rusting the trucks. The quote was roughly \$6600. Chairman Keeney expressed he knows it is a chunk of money however he would rather the town invest in this if it will help save a road from a culvert being clogged. Carina explained to the Board that exact problem is happening right now on Plaisted Road. Selectman Boynton suggested that the Highway crew could pressure wash the town buildings. Chairman Keeney said if the entire building needs to be pressure washed then it should be hired out, but as far as the front entry way or smaller projects they could. Selectman Davis said once they get the full-time crewman, they will be able to do the small projects such as the entry ways etc. She also said that she thinks with being able to clean the big trucks and culverts the pressure washer will pay for itself. Selectman Davis made a motion to purchase the pressure washer for the Highway Department, Selectman Cheney seconded, the Board voted all in favor.

**Tax Agreement:** A property owner paid off her 2018 payment agreement and would like to enter into a new one to work on 2019 taxes. She now qualifies for an elderly exemption so she is no longer accruing taxes. She wishes the tax agreement be for \$64/month. The Board voted all in favor.

**Voting:** Carina reached out to the Town Clerk and Moderator for a diagram for set up on voting day. Carina also explained to the Board that Sharon and Craig both will not be able to attend the elections so it will be up to Karl, Bill and Dan. Selectman Boynton said he took the whole day off of work. Carina said Karl would be there first thing in the morning and would be there most of the day.

**Appointments:** Carina spoke with the Town Attorney and he said appointments and elected officials are held off until the Annual Town Meeting.

### **Board Concerns and Directives**

**Selectman Keeney:** Will road bans be happening soon? Carina said that is on Ron's to do list this week.

Selectman Cheney: None Selectman Davis: None Selectman Boynton: None

# **Privilege of the Floor**

There was another participant in the via Zoom meeting portraying to be resident in the Town, and it was realized quickly that this was a scammer and the participant was exited from the meeting.

In Public Session a motion was made to go into Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A: 3, II (a). The motion was seconded and with a roll call vote: Selectman Keeney, aye; Selectman Davis, aye; Selectman Cheney, aye; Selectman Boynton, aye. The Board came out of non-public session at 6:20pm.

In Public Session a motion was made to seal the Non-Public minutes the motion was seconded and with a roll call vote: Selectman Keeney, aye; Selectman Davis, aye; Selectman Cheney, aye; Selectman Boynton, aye.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Chairman Keeney adjourned the public meeting at 6:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jade Hartsgrove Minutes Recorder