Selectmen's Meeting Minutes Thursday, October 8, 2020

At the Selectmen's meeting held on Thursday, October 8, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. the Selectmen participated via Zoom:

Stanley Holz is at his home in South Carolina, maintaining social distancing. Peter Corey is at his home in Whitefield, maintaining social distancing. Shawn White is at his home in Whitefield, maintaining social distancing.

Chairman Holz called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

The Board was meeting to approve and sign the Resolution of Governing Board for the closing of the loan for the \$3,566,000 wastewater treatment plant upgrades.

The undersigned, as least a majority of the Governing Board of the Issuer and the Treasurer of the Issuer hereby certify (i) that a meeting of the Governing Board of the Issuer was held with respect to the issuance of the Bonds (defined below); (ii) that notice of said meeting was afforded to said officers and the public in accordance with the provisions of RSA 91-A, as amended, and the applicable rules and bylaws of the Issuer, if any, and in accordance with the Governor's Order #12 dated March 23, 2020, which permits the Governing Board to hold electronic meetings; (iii) that at least a majority of the Governing Board were present throughout said meeting; (iv) that the following roll calls votes were adopted at said meeting, all as being in the best interests of the Issuer; and (v) that the resolution set forth below have not been repealed, amended or rescinded as of the date hereof;

<u>VOTED</u>: To authorize the issuance of \$3,566,000 General Obligation Bonds (the "Bonds") of the Issuer, which were heretofore authorized by the Issuer on March 28, 2017, such Bonds to be dated October 21, 2020; Roll Call Vote In Favor: Holz: Yes; Corey: Yes; White: Yes

<u>VOTED</u>: To sell said Bonds to the purchaser (the "Purchaser"), with the principal amounts, maturities, premium, if any, redemption provisions, if any, and interest rates specified on <u>Schedule A</u>, attached hereto and make a part hereof; <u>Roll Call Vote in Favor: Holz: Yes;</u> <u>Corey: Yes; White: Yes</u>

<u>VOTED</u>: To issue the Bonds in substantially the form set forth in <u>Schedule B</u>, attached hereto and made a part hereof; <u>Roll Call Vote in Favor: Holz: Yes; Corey: Yes; White: Yes</u>

<u>VOTED</u>: To authorize at least a majority of the Governing Board and the Treasurer to sign the Bonds or to have said signatures printed in facsimile on the Bonds and to affix the Issuer's seal thereto; <u>Roll Call Vote in Favor: Holz: Yes; Corey: Yes; White: Yes</u>

<u>VOTED</u>: To authorize the Treasurer to deliver the Bonds to the Purchaser against payment therefor; <u>Roll Call Vote in Favor</u>: <u>Holz</u>: <u>Yes</u>; <u>Corey</u>: <u>Yes</u>; <u>White</u>: <u>Yes</u>

<u>VOTED</u>: To authorize at least a majority of the Governing Board and the Treasurer to execute and deliver a Signature and No Litigation Certificate with Receipt, a No Arbitrage and Tax Certificate and IRS Form 8038-G in substantially the form presented to this meeting and such other documents as may be necessary or appropriate to accomplish the sale and delivery of the Bonds in accordance with the foregoing; <u>Roll Call Vote in Favor: Holz: Yes; Corey: Yes;</u> White: <u>Yes;</u> and

<u>VOTED</u>: To authorize the Issuer to serve as its own Paying Agent with respect to the Bonds. <u>Roll Call Vote in Favor: Holz: Yes; Corey: Yes; White: Yes.</u>

Chairman Holz gave Judy Ramsdell permission to use his signature stamp on the necessary documents.

John Ross, Jr., Health Officer said that the CDC has said Halloween is a high-risk event. He does feel we should not have a parade, will be difficult to socially distance. He is not sure about trick-or-treating. Can we cancel it?

Rick Wright of the Whitefield Lion's Club said a number of the members think we should try to do something. One thing discussed was putting candy in bags and setting bags out on a table and organize kids, socially distanced, to pick up the candy. They feel if we don't do anything, they will all go to Lancaster and overload them. They were thinking of doing it on the common in the open, requiring masks. Sondra Brekke said that the library may be doing something. Chief Samson said that Lancaster is not doing trick or treating but doing trunk or treating and a costume parade; Bethlehem is not doing anything, and Gorham and Berlin are allowing traditional trick-or-treating. Ed said he doesn't think that we can "cancel" trick or treating". If people want to give out candy, then they probably will. We could say there is no townsponsored event, but if you do trick or treating these are the guidelines to follow. Maybe the Lion's Club & Library can do something together. It will be tough to do anything within the guidelines. The state guidelines are requiring wearing a mask over your costume mask. The Town is tied to anything on the common. Peter Corey said he agrees that we don't have a townsponsored event but we can't stop people from trick or treating and here are the guidelines. If the Lions Club goes ahead with an event on the common, the liability will be with the Lion's Club. Shawn said he agrees with Peter Corey. Stanley said there is so much to comply with any events would put the town at risk. Would the Board need to approve anything on the common? Shawn said he remembers when the common was given to the town it was for public use and for the kid's use. Rick said the Lion's Club doesn't want to go against the Town's fathers and some are anxious about doing anything. The Board can't tell the Lion's Club they can't do anything. They will need to make a decision if they want to move forward with an event. John Ross said that masks are mandatory for events over 100, and in all likelihood you will have more than 100 people. Chief Samson said that we can put something out that there are no town sponsored events, but here are the guidelines for trick-or-treating. Ed suggested maybe having something in the afternoon if they go forward. Maybe the Lion's Club and the library can do something.

Chief Samson asked the Board about moving forward with purchasing new computers for MDT's in the cruisers. He has gotten a price quote for just under \$10,000, and this would be something we could have covered under the CARES act grant. The Board was o.k. with this.

Sondra Brekke and Bruce Brekke were on the Zoom meeting and Judy wanted to let Bruce, the Town Moderator, know that the Town received a \$5,000 grant from the Center for Tech and Civic Life to be expended on the following specific election administration needs: Poll worker recruitment funds, hazard pay, and/or training expenses, polling place rental and cleaning expenses for early voting or Election Day, temporary staffing, and election administration equipment. Bruce said he had some thoughts on what we could use these funds for. The grant period is June 15, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

Sondra Brekke said she wanted to express her displeasure about people not being notified of this meeting. She feels that the Town should do the blast emails again so people know when these meetings are held. There is a better way to let people know.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.