



LANCASTER BOARD OF SELECTMEN Special Meeting Minutes of June 11, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jason A. Allison called the Special Meeting of the Board of Selectmen to Order at 3:02 P.M. via ZOOMTM.

Roll call taken, Jason A. Allison, present; Jay M. Moody, present; Alexandra W. Turner, present.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82905485313

Meeting ID: 829 0548 5313

II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

6:00 P.M. Opportunity for public to address their concerns, make comment and offer suggestions on operations or programs, except personnel matters. *Complaints or criticism directed at staff, volunteers, or other officials shall not be permitted.*

Chairman Allison recognized resident Mark Grasso. Mr. Grasso asked that the Select Board add an agenda item to an upcoming meeting regarding Planning Director Search Committee. Mr. Allison asked Town Administrator Orlando Pacheco to have this done.

Mr. Allison recognized resident Victoria Petracca. Ms. Petracca's question was whether or not the Select Board endorses articles. In particular, she asked if the Select Board would be willing to endorse the upcoming Annual Town Meeting article about Inclusionary Zoning.

Mr. Allison recognized resident Greg Jackson who expressed concern about the low COVID-19 vaccination rate in Lancaster and asked the Selectmen to review the policy for remote meetings. He would like the Board to be especially cautious, especially for the next 60-90 days.

III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES - NONE

IV. SCHEDULED APPEARANCES & PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE

V. BOARDS, COMMITEES AND DEPARTMENTS REPORTS - NONE

VI. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT - NONE

VII. ADMINISTRATION, BUDGET, AND POLICY

1. Review and approve the final layout for Route 70 and Route 117 Intersection.

Mr. Pacheco explained that there have been changes to the drainage plans made at the request of residents and the Conservation Commission. Ms. Turner has spoken with Counsel today and is concerned that people do not have information; Mr. Pacheco rebutted with history of the project. Mr. Allison does not believe he has been given enough information to vote on this project.

Mr. Allison moved "that this Board lay out as public the ways or a portion of the ways known as Buttonwood Drive, Otis Street, and North Main Street in the location shown on the Plan entitled 'North Main Street, Route 70/117, 2021 Town Layout Plan' prepared by GCG Associates, Inc., dated June 8, 2021, and further, that the Board file a copy of this vote and the aforementioned plan with the Town Clerk no later than June 14, 2021, for the purpose of obtaining the acceptance of such layouts from the June 21st 2021 Lancaster Annual Town Meeting." Mr. Moody seconded the motion. *Vote taken, Jason A. Allison, Aye; Jay M. Moody, Aye; Alexandra W. Turner, Aye. [3-0-0].*

2. Review and Approve the 2021 Annual Town Meeting Warrant for the Fiscal Year 2022 to be held at the Bolton Fairgrounds, 318 Seven Bridge Road, on Monday, June 21, 2021 at 7:15PM.

Mr. Allison recognized Victoria Petracca, who asked if the Select Board endorses articles at the Annual Town Meeting (ATM); lengthy discussion was held as to the merits of this. Mr. Moody moved for the Select Board to endorse Article 9, the Inclusionary Zoning Article, at the Annual Town Meeting. Ms. Turner seconded. *Vote taken, Jason A. Allison, Aye; Jay M. Moody, Aye; Alexandra W. Turner, Aye.* [3-0-0].

Mr. Allison recognized Greg Jackson who had questions about why the plan for the Route 70/117 intersection had to be approved prior to Annual Town Meeting.

Ms. Turner moved to approve the 2021 Annual Town Meeting warrant for the Fiscal Year 2022 to be held at the Bolton Fairgrounds, 318 Seven Bridge Road, on Monday, June 21, 2021, at 7:15PM. Mr. Moody seconded. *Vote taken, Jason A. Allison, Aye; Jay M. Moody, Aye; Alexandra W. Turner, Aye.* [3-0-0].

VIII. APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

Appointments:

Interim Police Chief – Everett L. Moody

Ms. Turner would like more information about the details of this position, so moves to table discussion of this position to an upcoming meeting. Mr. Moody seconded the motion. *Vote taken, Jason A. Allison, Aye; Jay M. Moody, Aye; Alexandra W. Turner, Aye. [3-0-0].*

Interim Assessor – Bobbi Jo Williams

Ms. Turner would like more information about the details of this position, so moves to table discussion of this position to an upcoming meeting. Mr. Moody seconded the motion. *Vote taken, Jason A. Allison, Aye; Jay M. Moody, Aye; Alexandra W. Turner, Aye.* [3-0-0].

IX. LICENSES AND PERMITS

X. NEW BUSINESS *

*This item is included to acknowledge that there may be matters not reasonable anticipated by the Chair.

XI. COMMUNICATIONS

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Moody moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:23pm. Ms. Turner seconded the motion. *Vote taken, Jason A. Allison, Aye; Jay M. Moody, Aye; Alexandra W. Turner, Aye.* [3-0-0].

Respectfully submitted

Kathleen Rocco Executive Assistant

APPROVED

Jay M. Moody, Clerk

Approved and accepted: 2/15/22