

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
TOWN OF MADISON  
June 2, 2020  
MINUTES**

**Selectmen Present** – John Arruda, William T. Lord and Josh L. Shackford

**Others Present** – Residents Nicole Nordlund and Jay Buckley; DPW Director Jon Cyr; Chief Robert J. King, Jr.; Fire Chief Richard Clark; Town Clerk Michael Brooks; Town Administrator Linda Shackford; MadTV Videographers Noreen Downs, Doug McAlister and Moselle Spiller

**Via freeconferencecall.com** – Daymond Steer; Patty Curotto

**Where and When Posted** – Town Hall upper & lower bulletin boards and Madison & Silver Lake Post Offices on January 6, 2020. Notice of log in instructions posted on Thursday, May 28, 2020.

**Meeting Called to Order** – By Chairman Arruda at 4:30pm.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Motion** by Lord, seconded by J. Shackford, to approve the minutes of May 19, 2020 as written. The motion passed **3-0**.

**Motion** by Lord, seconded by J. Shackford, to approve the non-public session minutes of May 19, 2020 as written. The motion passed **3-0**.

**APPROVAL OF MANIFEST:**

**Motion** by Lord, seconded by J. Shackford to approve the Manifest of June 1 - 11, 2020 in the amount of \$812,769.74. The Manifest breakdown is as follows: \$162,008.84 for Accounts Payable; \$30,313.88 for payroll; \$7,323.02 for payroll liabilities; and \$613,124.00 for MES. The motion passed **3-0**.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There were none

**DISCUSSION ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS:**

**Nicole Nordlund – Beach Concerns** – Resident Nicole Nordlund of East Madison Rd approached the board expressing her concern about the Board’s decision to temporarily suspended the use of guest passes for the beach and transfer station. It was explained that there has been an overwhelming number of out-of-staters using the facilities and the public hearing scheduled for months ago to discuss the new re-write of rules and fees was postponed due to COVID-19 restrictions. Nordlund asked why it has not been reinstated as she has noticed things at town properties have been deteriorating. Lord cited waiting for new containers at the transfer station in preparation for the holiday weekend that was coming and also cited rumors of patrons avoiding fees by cutting up couches and putting them in the compactor. Arruda also added that waste is being brought to Madison from elsewhere that is not taking items. Director Cyr expressed his concern for the safety of his department employees that are interacting with public that are not following the quarantine rules.

Resident Patty Curotto asked that a method that would not allow the reuse of guest passes; with Lord adding that the rules re-write takes that into consideration with an expiration date suggestion. Chief King stated that the current ordinance requires that beach guests be accompanied by the taxpayer, which is not in the new draft.

Nordlund has not personally experienced a parking issue at the beach, as she usually spends weekdays there; she noted that most issues appear to be only for two months of the year. Nordlund feels that being unwelcoming to others is wrong for Madison residents. J. Shackford feels that if allowing people with rental properties the ability to have their clients use the facilities, those costs should fall on the owner as they are making money at it.

Nordlund also asked when porta-potties were going to be put in place. Arruda sees a timeline happening that will fall in place with the Governor's orders. Lord feels the way beach use is being handled by the Board is in an effort to keep people moving and socially distant. Nordlund thanked the Board for their time.

With the discussion of porta potties on the table, Arruda knows that Governor will be making new orders and would like to see us have information regarding porta potties for the next meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup>. L. Shackford will call around again. The Board will also keep the ball field free from softball league play until they revisit the latest Governor's orders at their next meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Cash Flow Report and Tax Collector Report** – Arruda analyzed the report comparing last year at this time to present and sees us in line. The drawdown figures show us at 40.4% of the budget spent at the 42% point in the year. Arruda credited this to good management by the department heads.

**NHDES Beach Program Testing** – NHDES will not be performing the testing of beaches due to COVID-19. L. Shackford reached out to SLAM and GMCC with the assistance of Noreen Downs. Downs reached out to Ted Kramer with SLAM and they are short help this summer and regretfully declined the ability to assist. GMCC's Jill Emerson is willing to offer guidance but noted that they are not a certified testing facility. L. Shackford will look into Granite State Analytical to see what they have to offer as options.

**Eversource Bill Solar Credits** – L. Shackford was asked by John Dunster of Revision Energy to see if we would be agreeable to combine our Eversource accounts for General Government buildings into one account. This change would facilitate use of the solar credits in a more organized fashion. The Board was agreeable to this change. All locations, with the exception of the fire station and library, will be merged into one bill.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Use of Town Properties** – The Board decided to keep the temporary suspension of guest pass use in effect until their next meeting on June 16<sup>th</sup> at which point it will be revisited referencing the latest Governor's orders.

**Selectman Lord's List** – Lord has been working with residents of the Alexander Ave area regarding the lake access at the end of the road. Signage, a gate, or bollards in lieu of a gate, have been discussed as a deterrent to illegal launching of motorized boats. Cyr said the gate has been obtained with Lord asking to be sure that its installed location will preclude boat launching but not preclude peoples' use of the area. Arruda found the plan and agreement as a result of a court case from years ago that defines the area. Lord noted that the mooring issue is regulated by the state with the only recourse the town has is regarding violation of swim line areas.

Lord expressed his thanks to Doug Haver for the great job over the last 20 years cleaning up old cemeteries that are located in the wooded areas of Madison. Haver has re-erected some headstones and rebuilt some with the help of a friend. Thank you, Doug.

**Selectman Arruda's List** – Arruda received a request for the water to be repaired at the Gilman Cemetery adding that the water is not the responsibility of the town as per our agreement. However, Mike Brooks and Wayne Jones spent a few hours of their own time and got the water running.

**Selectman Shackford's List** – No items

**Administrator's List** – No items

**Department Heads' List** – No items

**SIGNATURE ITEMS**

Manifest

Payroll & Accounts Payable Checks

Personnel Policy Update #7 Controlled Substance and Alcohol Testing Policy

Private Road Waiver – Harding on Pine Cone Lane

Notice of Lien – 233-079

Intent to Cut: Currier-Taylor 221-008

Stark 205-014

Yield Tax Levy: Slabodchikov \$1,011.97

Morrill \$1,455.15

Northway Bank Signature Authorization Letter

Bill of Sale: Hoist Trailer

Purchase Requisition: 2020-DPW-008 Atlantic Recycling Equipment LLC \$13,590.00

**5:12 PM** - Arruda made a **motion** to go into **Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3II (b)** The hiring of any person as a public employee.

Roll call vote: Lord – aye; Shackford – aye; Arruda – aye

**5:25 PM** – Arruda made a **motion** to return to public session and make the minutes public of the non-public session public under RSA 91-A:3II (b) seconded by Lord and so voted **3-0**.

**5:25 PM** – J. Shackford made a **motion** to adjourn, seconded by Arruda, and so voted **3-0**.

**NEXT SELECTMEN'S MEETING** – The next Selectmen's Meeting will be on Tuesday, June 16, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. in the Lower Level of Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Shackford,  
Town Administrator