

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
TOWN OF MADISON  
February 9, 2021  
MINUTES**

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

**Others Present** –DPW Director Jon Cyr; Jr.; Police Chief Robert J. King, Jr.; Officers Mike Mosher and Jake Martin; Town Clerk/Assistant Fire Chief Michael Brooks; Town Administrator Linda Shackford; and MadTV Videographer Carol Dandeneau

**Where and When Posted** – Town Hall upper & lower bulletin boards and Madison & Silver Lake Post Offices on December 31, 2020.

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Motion** by Lord, seconded by J. Shackford, to approve the minutes of January 21, 2021 as written. The motion passed **3-0**.

**APPROVAL OF MANIFEST:**

**Motion** by J. Shackford, seconded by Lord to approve the Manifest of January 25 – February 1, 2021 in the amount of \$377,091.54. The manifest breakdown is as follows: \$36,425.93 for Accounts Payable; \$31,240.15 for payroll; \$9,424.46 for payroll liabilities; and \$300,000.00 for Madison Elementary School. The motion passed **3-0**.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was none.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Budget Hearing Date** – The Budget Hearing scheduled for February 2<sup>nd</sup> has to be rescheduled to coincide with the May Town Meeting Dates. L. Shackford suggested 7:00pm on Tuesday, April 6, 2021. The Board was in agreement with that date. L. Shackford will publish appropriately.

**Transfer Station RFP** – Director Cyr proposed to advertise for Request for Proposals for hauling of MSW, construction debris and bulky waste. Arruda asked if this will be sent to vendors. Cyr responded yes, he plans to send it the few regulars. It was noticed the last pages were not changed from 15 months to the proposed 3-year contract; these will be corrected before publication. These will be due February 22 and opened at the February 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS** – There was none.

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

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

**Selectman Lord's List** – Lord cited a letter from DES that informed the Town that a neighbor has a contaminated water issue and asked if we will be testing our wells. L. Shackford stated that the test has been obtained to test the water that supplies the buildings but has not been performed yet. Lord estimated a week for the results to be received.

**Administrator's List** – L. Shackford asked if the Board would support a cutoff date of March 31<sup>st</sup> a the date that expired facility stickers will not longer be honored. The Board and Director Cyr were in agreement adding that notice in the newspaper shall be made and in such a way that it stands out.

**Chief King** – Chief King asked for the Board's support about initiating a K-9 unit. King would like to fund the unit with donations, special equipment account funds and money from a dormant DARE account. Arruda asked if the DARE program has been abandoned. King explained that COVID has put a hold on it and should it be re-started it would be done with a different funding idea. The Board was in agreement with initiating a K-9 program with J. Shackford expressing it is a great idea.

**Director Cyr** – Director Cyr expressed his concern, and showed photographs that support his concern, about the elementary school students walking through the lower garage parking lot to access Burke Field for physical education class. The large trucks and high snowbanks that hide a child are a recipe for an accident. Cyr has no desire to stop them from traveling through the property but hoped to find an alternate route. Brooks will send an email to the principal expressing the concerns and asking for close adult supervision.

### **SIGNATURE ITEMS**

Manifest

Payroll & Accounts Payable Checks

Abatement – Unknown \$1,763.00

Yield Tax: Robbins 20-283-021T \$271.09

Allan 20-283-015-T \$130.61

Eastern Custom Builders 20-283-11-T \$313.14

**4:44 PM** – Arruda made a **motion** to adjourn, seconded by J. Shackford, and so voted **3-0**.

**NEXT SELECTMEN'S MEETING** – The next Selectmen's Meeting is scheduled for February 23, 2021 commencing at 4:30pm in the lower level of Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Shackford,  
Town Administrator