

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF MADISON
December 1, 2020
MINUTES**

Selectmen Present – William T. Lord and Josh L. Shackford

Selectmen Excused – John Arruda

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; Fire Chief Richard Clark; Fireman Russ Hawkes; Broadband Committee Members Sloane Jarell and Mary Cronin; Town Administrator Linda Shackford; MadTV Videographer Carol Dandeneau

Where and When Posted – Town Hall upper & lower bulletin boards and Madison & Silver Lake Post Offices on January 6, 2020.

Meeting Called to Order – By J. Shackford at 4:30 pm.

Carroll County Broadband Committee Warrant Article Request – Mary Cronin – via phone- and Sloane Jarell both members of the Broadband Committee asked the Board to consider the inclusion of a warrant article for 2021 Town Meeting that could allow for a committee to be formed to perform a study the best technology to allow for 5G in rural area like ours. This stems from House Bill 1111. The committee will find which area are served and not served and as a group of 19 proposed towns there is power gained. Lord could see no downfall to the article. Lord and J. Shackford agreed to put the article on the warrant. Cronin and Jarell will attend Town Meeting to explain the article and answer questions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by J. Shackford, seconded by Lord, to approve the minutes of November 17, 2020 as written. The motion passed **2-0**.

APPROVAL OF MANIFEST:

Motion by J. Shackford, seconded by Lord to approve the Manifest of November 23 – December 7, 2020 in the amount of \$169,744.82. The motion passed **2-0**.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were none.

2021 Budget Review – The operating budget for 2021 stands proudly at under three million dollars.

2021 Warrant Article Review – Lord asked for the Conservation \$5,000 article to be moved up from the petition section as it was agreed by the Board to put that article on the warrant. The police have two cruisers without cost amounts inserted as the state bids have still not been published. The tractor mower number of \$37,864.00 was added. Chief Clark hoped to have numbers for a rescue truck article to be added.

2021 – 2026 CIP – The amount of \$25,000 vs \$10,000 was requested by Director Cyr for the amount to be added to the Transfer Station Capital Project ETF. Cyr remarked that any of the proposed needs at the station would cost more than \$10,000.00.

Vote to Request Funds from the Assessing ETF for March - Oct 2020 \$60,123.46 - Motion by J. Shackford, seconded by Lord to request the withdrawal of the Trustees for Trust Fund for \$60,123.46 from the Assessing Expendable Trust Fund to reimburse the general fund for the expenses incurred from March through October for the assessing contract for the 2020 revaluation of the Town. The motion passed **2-0**.

MES Plowing Request – Principal Woodward sent a letter to the Board requesting that access to Burke Field be plowed out this winter for use by the students. The gym teacher has been taking the children to the field and needs access for a vehicle to transport the supplies for class. Cyr stated he will plow and sand the area.

2021 Hazardous Waste Day Commitment – The Board will commit to \$3,000 for the 2021 Hazardous Waste Day. L. Shackford will sign as the agent and forward the commitment to the Town of Conway.

OLD BUSINESS – There was none.

Selectman Shackford's List – Citing the numerous calls that have been coming into Town Hall due to new assessed values, J. Shackford proposed a public service announcement on MadTV to describe the process of the revaluation that the Town has been through. Also suggested was a link on the Town's website that could clarify some questions. L. Shackford will work on this.

Selectman Lord's List – Lord thanked Cyr and his crew for installing the sign on the donated Barclay property on Conway Rd.

Administrator's List – No items.

SIGNATURE ITEMS

Manifest

Payroll & Accounts Payable Checks

LUCT: Norja, Inc 112-010-038 \$5,500.00

Yule 118-027 \$1,200.00

Bailey 118-027-001 \$4,500.00

Veteran's Credits: 229-015 and 256-061

Abatement: NHEC \$950.00

Intent to Cut: Shackford 229-017

Town of Madison 258-006

Town of Madison 258-004

Forest Land Improvement Work Agreement

Kheil III Logging & Chipping Timber Sale Agreement

Oaths of Office: Margaret Merrill – Madison TV Board of Directors

Douglas McAllister – ZBA Alternate

5:09 PM - Shackford made a **motion** to go into **Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3II (a)** The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted.

Roll call vote: Lord – aye; Shackford – aye

6:20 PM – J. Shackford made a **motion** to return to public session and to seal the minutes under RSA 91-A:3II (c) seconded by Lord and so voted **2-0**.

6:20 PM – J. Shackford made a **motion** to adjourn, seconded by Lord, and so voted **2-0**.

NEXT SELECTMEN'S MEETING – The next Selectmen's Meeting is scheduled for December 15, 2020 commencing at 4:30pm in the lower level of Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Shackford,
Town Administrator