

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF MADISON
August 24, 2021
MINUTES**

Selectmen Present – William T. Lord and Michael A. Mauro

Others Present –DPW Director Jon Cyr; Chief Robert J. King, Jr; Officers Michael Mosher and Jake Martin; Tax Collector Michael Brooks; Residents Shaunna & Peter Kondrat; Robert Tibbetts; Administrative Assistant Kim Cyr; MadTV Videographer Tim Hughes

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 Lord at 4:30 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Lord, seconded by M. Mauro to approve the minutes of August 10, 2021 & August 16, 2021 as written. The motion passed **2-0**.

APPROVAL OF MANIFEST:

Motion by M. Mauro, seconded by B. Lord to approve the Manifest of August 23-September 2, 2021 in the amount of \$552,897.84. The manifest breakdown is as follows: \$143,187.52 for Accounts Payable; \$30,954.04 for payroll; \$9,192.26 for payroll liabilities; \$19,564.02 for NHRS and, \$350,000 for MES. The motion passed **2-0**.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Pursuant to RSA 31:95-b, to obtain input and discuss the Town's acceptance of \$272,821 in unanticipated funds from the Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Program as part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. This was posted at the upper and lower levels of Town Hall, and both the Madison and Silver Lake Post Offices on August 10, 2021. Publication in the Conway Daily Sun was on August 11, 2021

B. Lord explained the details of the program and how the funds can be spent. The monies can be spent on stormwater mitigation, dam repairs, drinking water, drainage, radio communication upgrade for DPW, etc. B. Lord opened the hearing to public comment.

M. Brooks suggested using the money for projects the Town wouldn't normally spend money on. For example, Pavilion at Burke Field with public bathrooms and new tents for Old Home Week.

P. Kondrat asked if there is any drawback to accepting the funds. B. Lord replied no as long as we spend the funds according to the outlined rules by the Treasury department.

Motion by Lord, seconded by Mauro to accept the funds. The motion passed **2-0**.

Motion by Lord, seconded by Mauro to close the Public Hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

P. Kondrat and S. Kondrat spoke on behalf of the Pea Porridge Preservation Association. They are trying to obtain grant money from DES to preserve the Pond. The area experiences a lot of run off from the hills and roads in the area. S. Kondrat shared visual aids showing the silt in the wetlands. The Madison DPW installed check dams on Town Line Road last year. The Board and DPW Director Cyr support giving a letter of commitment to the Association.

DISCUSSION ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS:

Verrochi Property – The Board discussed the invoice of approx. \$10,000.00 that is owed to the town. B. Lord requested that Bob Boyd, Code Enforcement Officer, verify if the property owner has complied with the Court order. If the property is not compliant issue a bill to the owner and have the court place a lien on the property.

Old Home Week – B. Lord and M. Mauro thanked the Old Home Week members for a great week of events.

OLD BUSINESS – There was none.

Selectman Mauro's List – Mauro was pleased with Old Home Week. He discussed how hot the police uniforms are and suggested maybe some other color and material options that are available. Chief King is contacting supplier for options. Mauro spoke about the Peterborough fraud case and suggested keeping a close eye on payments.

Selectman Lord's List – Lord began with reading a letter, that was received from a resident, regarding Lt. Hayford. The letter praised Lt. Hayford for being professional, calm and his compassion in a medical emergency. He made a difference. The letter is to be placed in his personnel file.

Administrator's List – No items

Department Heads' List:

Director Cyr – The Transfer Station guard shack construction has started. The Historical Society stairs will be delivered and set by the company that is providing them. Dig Safe will be marking the area. Cyr met with a resident on Modock to discuss erosion. The discussion suggested doing drainage easement to install silt retention, hydroseed slopes and install erosion socks. Cyr will keep the property owner up to date on the work. The Highway Department needs a generator at the Highway Garage. They cannot open the overhead garage door and have no fuel source if the power is out. The Dam permit is in progress. Purchase order is being issued for Ossipee Mountain Electronics.

Chief King – Maverick's training is ongoing. Equipment is on order for the new Police truck.

Chief Brooks – Spoke about a possible warrant article for a generator. Talked about pricing from Power Products or Cat.

SIGNATURE ITEMS

Manifest

Payroll & Accounts Payable Checks

Abatement Dutton 222-012 \$350.90

Purchase Requisitions

5:10 PM - Lord made a **motion** to go into **Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3II (c)** Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the body or agency itself, unless such person requests an open meeting.

Roll call vote: Lord – aye; Mauro – aye

6:08 PM – Lord made a **motion** to return to public session and seal the minutes under RSA 91-A:3II (c) seconded by Mauro and so voted **2-0**.

6:08 PM – Lord made a **motion** to adjourn, seconded by Mauro, and so voted **2-0**.

NEXT SELECTMEN'S MEETING – The next Selectmen's Meeting is scheduled for September 7, 2021 commencing at 4:30 pm in the lower level of Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Cyr,
Administrative Assistant