

KENSINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Virtual Meeting due to COVID-19

MONDAY January 18, 2021 – 6:30pm

Minutes - DRAFT

In attendance: Joe Pace, Vanessa Rozier, Bob Solomon

Joe opened the meeting at 6:30pm.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

- Police Department – Chief Scott Cain reported as follows:
 - The department has been busy with multiple investigations.
 - The new vehicles have been ordered.
 - The Watchguard software installation is in progress.
- Fire Department – Chief Jon True reported as follows:
 - The State will be performing an EMS inspection on ambulance on Friday. The department is prepared.
 - There are new tires on the cone trailer behind the station. It is roadworthy now, and in the spring, decals and lighting will be installed. This can be used by FD, PD, Road Agent and EM for putting out barricades and cones.
 - The FD has 100% participation in getting the vaccine, some have already gotten their second dose.
 - The FD is working with Harold Bragg to plan and staff for deliberative session and voting.
- Emergency Management - Chief Jon True reported as follows:
 - Vaccine administration has ramped up. The state changed from an “essential worker” phase to an age-based phasing. If you are 65+ OR have any issues as noted by the CDC OR are a first responder/healthcare worker that has not gotten their vaccine, you may sign up for the vaccine online (www.nh.gov/covid19) or by calling 211 starting January 22nd.
 - Testing continues for first responders, and we are working with other groups to continue our plan. The FD has the license to test, but it is up to NH DHHS to release the kits and give approval.
 - The second sign should be coming in any day now, and we have already received approval for the grant to pay for it. I am writing a training for PD and RA to be able to access/use them.
 - We continue to push campaigns for social distancing, washing hands and mask wearing. We also continue to offer PPE for all departments and staff.
 - There will be a LEOP meeting on January 28, 2021 at 10:00am online.
- Road Manager – David Buxton had nothing to report.
- Tax Collector- Carlene Wiggin was not present.
- Building Inspector- Norman Giroux was not present.
- Treasurer- Sara Belisle was not present.
- Town Clerk – Interim Sarah Wiggin reported as follows:
 - There will be a DMV Audit 1/19.
 - The Town Audit is in progress.
 - Election planning has started. The filing period for elected positions opens January 20th – January 29th.
- Recreation Committee- Elaine Bodwell was not present.
- Conservation Commission – Sydnee Goddard was not present.
- Sawyer Kensington Trust- Hez Mercadante was not present.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 2021 Warrant Article Review
 - There was a public hearing on the warrant articles last week.
 - **At 6:49pm, Vanessa made a motion to recommend Article 2. Bob seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.**
 - **At 6:51pm, Bob made a motion to recommend Article 3. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.**

- At 6:52pm, Vanessa made a motion to recommend Article 4. Bob seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.
- At 6:52pm, Vanessa made a motion to recommend Article 5. Bob seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.
- At 6:53pm, Bob made a motion to recommend Article 6. Vanessa seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.
- At 6:55pm, Vanessa made a motion to recommend Article 7. Bob seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.
- At 6:56pm, Bob made a motion to recommend Article 8. Vanessa seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.
- At 6:57pm, Bob made a motion to recommend Article 9. Vanessa seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.
- At 6:58pm, Vanessa made a motion to recommend Article 10. Bob seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.
- At 6:58pm, Vanessa made a motion to recommend Article 11. Bob seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.
- At 6:59pm, Bob made a motion to recommend Article 12. Vanessa seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.
- At 7:00pm, Vanessa made a motion to recommend Article 13. Bob seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.
- At 7:01pm, Vanessa made a motion to recommend Article 14. Bob seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.
- At 7:02pm, Bob made a motion to recommend Article 15. Vanessa seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.
- At 7:02pm, Bob made a motion to recommend Article 16. Vanessa seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.

The Board discussed pest management. The Board has received two quotes, one from Municipal Pest and Northeast Vegetation. The Town has used Municipal Pest in the past. The former employee of Municipal Pest who handled Kensington has opened his own business, Northeast Vegetation. The both companies quoted the same amount. The Board discussed the advantage of going with the individual who is already familiar with the town. **At 7:08pm, Bob made a motion to proceed with Northeast Vegetation for pest management services. Vanessa seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.**

The Board discussed preliminary plans for the March election. Sarah Wiggin said the current plan is that the election would be held at the Town Hall and the Board agreed to this plan.

At 7:12pm, Vanessa made a motion to authorize Joe to sign the pay increase for Chief True. Bob seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.

At 7:13pm, Bob made a motion to enter into nonpublic session under RSA 91:A (b). Vanessa seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.

At 7:27pm, Vanessa made a motion to exit nonpublic session. Bob seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.

At 7:28pm, Vanessa made a motion to adjourn. Bob seconded. Joe took a roll call vote. Vanessa voted yes, Bob voted yes, Joe voted yes. The motion passes.

Respectfully submitted,
Chelsea Lalime