

In attendance: N. Gorski, L. Annino, J. Young

Visitors: R. Regolo, R. Rimmer, W. Linsley, K. Zandi, J. Wilcox, S. O'Brien, M. Couture, D. Venuti,
L. Lefko, C. Jacob, , E. Unger, A. Stirna, J. Young, E. Blewett, R. Pleines

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Public comment

A. Eileen Blewett commented on:

- BOS's recent decisions regarding the membership of the Parmelee Farm Committee.
- The BOS recent motion to strike a line from the January 18 meeting minutes
- asked the board to reconsider budgeting for paid content in the Killingworth Krier
- asked the board to clarify its relationship with the Middlesex Chamber of Commerce.

B. Laura Lefko referred to recent questions posed by David Long during January 10 public comment, and asked for BOS response. Gorski offered to review the questions.

Annino moved to add an agenda item: Approval of minutes of January 24, February 2, February 3, and February 7 . The motion, seconded by Young, carried.

Annino moved, with a second by Young, to approve the minutes of January 24, 2022 amended as follows:

Page 3, Item 8 B. Line 2 Add "*There was no discussion.*" Before the word "*No*".

Page 3, Item 9. Line 3 change the word "*voted*" to "*moved*"

Page 5. Item H Line 1 Correct the spelling of the word "*There*"

The motion carried.

Young moved to approve as presented the minutes of February 2, 2022. The motion, seconded by Annino, passed unanimously.

Annino moved to approve as presented the minutes of February 3, 2022. The motion, seconded by Young, passed unanimously.

Annino moved to approve the minutes of February 7, 2022, amended as follows:

Item 2, paragraph 2, line 3: Insert the word *capital* between the words *long-term* and *maintenance*.

Item two paragraph 5: take out content including 2 hyperlinks and the preceding language beginning with "For more information ..."

Page 2 1st paragraph: Line 6 replace the word *requested* with *suggested*

Paragraph 2 line 2: insert the word *highway* before the word *capital*

The motion passed unanimously.

3. Departments/Board of Education report

A. Engineering Report, B. Building and Sanitation Reports and C. Transfers Reports were distributed. There was no discussion

B. Board of Education

BOE Liaison Kathy Zandi delivered the January report:

- Cougar Pride: Noreen Granucci 50 years, Holiday show
- Superintendents Update re COVID
- Intermediate/Middle School lighting : Big savings due to lighting upgrades
- Board Liasons named
- Website: the full text of this report and other information is available on rsd17.org

Gorski enjoyed the recent Cougar Pride presentation and holiday event, and thanked BOE chair Suzanne Sack and Superintendent Whibey for their skillful handling of a potentially contentious public meeting

4. Refunds and abatements

Annino moved to approve the following refunds. The motion, seconded by Young, passed unanimously.

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| • Andrew C. Montone | 64 Fawn Hill Rd | \$47.22 overpaid |
| • Carl or Karen Philbrick | 12 Ely Lane | \$42.27 overpaid COC#10235S |
| • Carl or Karen Philbrick | 12 Ely Lane | \$63.44 overpaid COC#10236S |

5. Budget report

There were no questions for the finance director.

6. New Business

A. Joint BOS/BOF Meeting to Discuss Town Priorities

Gorski identified, with input from the selectmen, the following priority items for FY 2022-2023 consideration:

- PFAS/Sodium remediation of town campus wells/identifying funding sources for filtration systems, tec
- Establishing committees, allocation of funds for pre-design/pre-construction work on 2 major capital projects: town hall modulars KVFC Station 1 renovations.
- Setting a budget to account for routine maintenance of town buildings, establishing proactive routine maintenance
- Work with Economic Recovery Committee to review recommendations for ARPA funding and 22/ 23 budget impact
- Work with Park and Recreation on strategic plan for Eric Auer Park, review process for ballfield grant
- Approve a KVFC/KAA incentive program

Young asked whether possible purchase of Deer Lake needed to be considered for FY2022/2023.

Board of Finance was given the list of priorities to consider, alongside the proposed operating and capital budgets.

B. Highway Department Consultant

Gorski is looking into options for a highway consultant to review operations. This item is in the 2021/2022 budget. There was brief discussion. Gorski will interview recommended resources and will report back.

7. Old Business

A. Facilities Management

A failed baseboard heating unit has been added to the current list of Town Hall maintenance items. Annino gave his assessment of the pending projects, has collected current contracts, and emphasized the importance of a single point of contact for this work. There was discussion.

B. Website Update

Gorski gave a brief recap of the three quotes submitted for updating the town website, and asked for selectmen input. After discussion, the selectmen decided to invite FinalSite and PurpleDog web to present their proposals and answer questions.

8. Selectmen's comments

A. Young asked for an update on Deer Lake negotiations.

B. Young wanted to alert the board to Section 7-3 (o) of the charter regarding collected fees, and a potential conflict with the arrangement for fee collection/retention utilized by CRAHD.

9. First Selectman's comments

A. County Road will be closed for bridge repair from March through October. Residents will be alerted. Emergency and RSD 17 transportation services have been notified.

B. Two recent accidents due to icing conditions on State roads in town have prompted Gorski to contact CTDOT to review salt application protocols on these roads.

C. Gorski responded to public comment about proposed paid content in the Killingworth Krier

D. Gorski addressed Young's reference to health department fees, and suggested it is a question for town attorney, and the Charter Revision Commission to explore.

E. RE: Deer Lake, Gorski reported that neither the Town of Killingworth nor Pathfinders have been part of the current negotiations with the Boy Scouts of America. There has been no recent update. Gorski learned that the BSA is still receptive to new offers. She plans to meet every two weeks with the Trust for Public Lands to stay informed. While public meetings with BSA and the Yankee council would be helpful, she does not foresee meetings in the immediate future.

10. Adjournment

Young moved adjournment at 8:17 p.m. The motion, seconded by Annino, passed unanimously.

Submitted by E. Disbrow on 2/22/2022