



## Office of Board of Selectmen Town of Mason

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Selectmen Meeting 03/23/2021  
Approved Minutes

**Present:** By roll call, using the Zoom platform – Charles Moser, Louise Lavoie, Peter McGinnity  
Members of the public Darrell Scott, Joe Harney, Liz & Garth Fletcher, Dave Morrison, Bob Dillberger,  
Richard Stockdale, Kathy Chapman, Michelle Siegmann.

**Called to Order:** The meeting was called to order 7:42 PM by Chair Louise Lavoie, attendance was  
taken by roll call as reflected above. It was agreed by all to dispense with the Emergency Order Right to  
Know Checklist.

### **Approvals:**

- Noted that the accounts payable and payroll manifests had been reviewed and approved prior to the meeting.
- Minutes of 3/08/2021 BOS/PD, Charles motioned to approve as written, second from Peter. Roll call vote Louise-aye, Peter-aye, Charles-aye.
- Minutes of 3/08/2021 BOS meeting Charles motioned to approve as written, second from Peter. Roll call vote Louise-aye, Peter-aye, Charles-aye.
- Minutes of 3/15/2021 BOS/HWY Charles motioned to approve as written, second from Peter. Roll call vote Louise-aye, Peter-aye, Charles-aye.

### **New Business:**

- TAN – Charles made motion to approve the Town of Mason application for 2021 TAN loan at level commensurate with the mean amount of previous applications. Second by Peter. Roll call vote Louise-aye, Peter-aye, Charles-aye.
- Mason Energy Commission – Joe Harney spoke on behalf of the group regarding Highway and Fire Department accruing surcharges from Eversource related to peak usage periods. Joe to send the BOS data to review. The MEC to price out energy monitoring system.
- Conservation Commission – Liz Fletcher spoke on behalf of the group. The main purpose of Con Comm meeting with the BOS was to discuss potential to place Bronson Potter land into a conservation easement with a charitable trust. BOS questioned the benefit of placing town land in trust with a 3<sup>rd</sup> party. Charles noted Mr. Bronson's will left the land to the Town for conservation purposes and if Mr. Bronson wanted to have an easement on the land, he would have planned for that. Consensus of BOS not interested in Con Comm giving a 3<sup>rd</sup> party easement on town land.

- Truck Lease – Peter made a motion to approve the new Highway truck lease with Tax Exempt Leasing, 203 E. Park Avenue, Libertyville, Illinois. The length of the lease being 5 years with an initial first payment of \$38,000 followed by 4 other yearly payments of \$34,361.71 for a total of \$166,524.00. The initial first payment to come from the Mason 2021 approved town budget line 4312-17 Vehicle Lease. Second by Louise.  
Prior to roll call vote Charles asked if subsequent payments are not approved in the budget Peter confirmed the master lease agreement includes a Non-Appropriation clause which allows the Town to get out of the lease and return the truck. Peter mentioned after 5 years the Town owns the Truck. Roll call vote Louise-aye, Peter-aye, Charles-aye.
- Job Openings – We have received an application for the Administrative Assistant opening. Louise to contact applicant to schedule an interview. Waiting on final comments on job posting to advertise position.  
Replacement position for Highway, job description is being written, to be reviewed with Road Agent prior to advertising the position.

### **Old Business:**

### **Informational:**

### **Public Forum:**

Kathy Chapman, MEC Chair had questions regarding transition of MEC email address and new town website. Pete responded to her questions. Kathy asked about appointment papers for all members of the MEC. Louise to confirm Richard Stockdale appointment papers are on file and update roster for next annual report. Kathy needs to confirm members whose terms expire March 2021 will be reappointed. Michelle Siegmann, MEC mentioned the commission is looking at possible solar array on town building. Shelburne NH recently installed at no cost to the town. Louise suggested she tie out with Joe Harney who spoke earlier in the meeting and mentioned Shelburne. Joe was going to send info to BOS.

### **Non-Public**

Louise made motion to enter non-public, second by Peter for purposes of :

RSA 91-A:3, II (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 public meeting, and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted.

RSA 91-A:3, II(c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.

Roll Call Vote Louise-aye, Peter-aye, Charles-aye

Entered Non-Public at 8:57 PM

Motion to leave Non-Public by Charles, second by Peter. Roll Call Vote Louise-aye, Peter-aye, Charles-aye. Motion passed. Public session reconvened at 9:21 PM.

Motion to seal the minutes made by Peter, second by Charles, because if determined that divulgence the information would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board. Roll Call Vote Louise-aye, Peter-aye, Charles-aye. The motion passed.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, Louise motioned to adjourn, second from Charles. Louise-aye, Pete-aye, Charlie-aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:22 PM, zoom meeting forum closed by Louise.

Next regular staff will be Monday, April 13, 2021 via the Zoom platform, at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Louise Lavoie, BOS Chair.