

**Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes  
4/1/2020 6pm Virtual Meeting via Conference Call**

**Present:** Selectman Ribeiro, Selectman Agoglia, Joe Larson, Tony rogers, Kathy & Bill Martell, Rusty Rowell, John Trickey, Judy Eiseman, and Susannah Carey.

**Open:** Selectman Ribeiro opened the meeting at 6pm.

All members confirmed present. Agenda will stay as is.

**STAM Remote Participation Meeting Checklist**

Remote participation checklist reviewed and script read aloud by Selectman Ribeiro.

**Review Warrant Articles Received for 2020 Annual Town Meeting**

Article 3-Fix BoS figure, incorrect and should be \$1,800

Article 4-From FC

Article 5-From FC, wages

Article 6-Free Cash articles all in one.

6C. placeholder for maintaining the old system at the CB

Article 7-placeholder to cover shortfall for VRF project. FC not aware of article.

Article 8- non-binding commitment

Article 9-town counsel requiring different language. CPC to discuss at next meeting.

Article 10-preliminary cost for design of track

Article 11 & Article 12-no comment

Article 13-PB solar bylaw changes. PB will meet on 4/13 and decide whether to withdraw or not.

Article 14-postponed from last year.

Article 15-good price for project at Community Hall.

Article 16-All 4 towns have same language.

Article 17-From Treasurer to pay for Pelham Elementary School.

Article 18-21 no comment

Article 22-PB revolving fund request of \$15,000.

Article 23-Insert PB figure in table.

Article 24-no comment

Article 25-standard every year

Article 26-From BOA, every year

Article 27-28-standard every year

One Citizens Petition received. The petition meets the requirement of having at least 10 signatures to be included on warrant; 29 signatures received. BoS does not have to take a position or recommend.

Motion to include citizen's petition on the 2020 annual town meeting warrant, unanimously approved.

**Rescheduling Annual Town Meeting & Election Dates**

Option to hold as scheduled or change before June 30<sup>th</sup>. Motion to postpone annual town meeting until 9am June 6 at the Pelham Elementary School and annual town election to Tuesday June 9 following

annual town meeting, unanimously approved. Early voting and absentee ballots will be available from the Town Clerk.

**Declaration of State of Emergency for Pelham & Department Staff Management**

Other surrounding towns declaring as preventative measure. Motion to declare state of emergency in Pelham, unanimously approved.

The Board of Selectmen agreed that department managers should use their own judgement on how to manage their staff and schedules during this time.

**Appointed Town Clerk Position**

Legislation was signed by the Governor to change the Town Clerk's position from Elected to Appointed. The incumbent, Kathy Martell, will serve the remainder of her term until May 2020 if she wishes to do so with the town (2019 Annual Town Meeting Warrant). Motion to appoint Kathy Martell as appointed Town Clerk for Pelham through June 9, 2020, or if election is postponed further, unanimously approved. Discussion that Kathy will remain working her same hours and will receive the same compensation.

Conference line connection becoming garbled. Meeting will continue until a later date due to failing connection. Remainder of items tabled until next meeting.

**Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn at 7:11pm, unanimously approved.

**Documents Examined on Google Drive**

Remote participation guidelines and script, annual town meeting warrant, and state of emergency declaration.

Respectfully submitted, Susannah Carey