



HARRISON BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Thursday, April 9, 2020 – 6:00P.M.
Teleconference – On-line Meeting

Present: Chairman Matthew Frank, Vice Chairman Raymond Laplante, Selectman Richard Sykes, Selectman Henry Dumont, Town Manager Tim Pellerin, Secretary Denise Dumont

Absent: Selectman Penny Bean

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Call the Meeting to Order
3. Public Participation (Non-Agenda Items) **no public participation**
4. Approval of Unsigned Warrants #39 - #41 Approved by signature
5. Approval of Minutes – March 16, 2020

Motion to approve the minutes as corrected by S. Sykes of March 16, 2020 made by S. Laplante 2nd by S. Dumont Approved 4-0

6. Old Business –
 - a) Approval of 20/21 Selectmen Budget
 - b) Approval of Warrant

Motion to amend Article #20 that currently reads Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$869,900 from Revenue to reduce taxes, to read **(Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$799,900 from Revenue to reduce taxes).**

Motion made by S. Sykes 2nd by S. Frank. Approved 4-0

Motion to amend Article #20 that currently reads Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$500,000 for the Comprehensive Capital Reserve Account to read **(Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$364,000 for the Comprehensive Capital Reserve Account)**

Motion made by S. Dumont, 2nd by S. Sykes. Approved 4-0

Town Manager clarified that due to these uncertain times and by making these changes to our warrant, it will be a 0% increase for the Town. This means the mill rate will be the same as last year (11.2%) until we get the School budget numbers. Any increase will come from the School budget increase. He is uncertain at this time what the school budget will be and in explaining to the Superintendent about trying to not increase our budget the school is still talking about between 4-6% increase.

Motion to pass the annual warrant & budget for fiscal year 2021 as amended made by S. Sykes, 2nd S. Laplante. Approved 4-0

7. New Business

- a) Appointment of ballot clerks

Motion to approve Ballot Clerk list as proposed made by S. Laplante, 2nd by S. Dumont. Approved 3-0 (S. Sykes abstained as wife is on the list)

- b) Municipal Election on June 9th

Town Manager and Town Clerk agree and suggest that the Election still take place on June 9th as scheduled but be done by Absentee Ballots. Mailing Municipal ballots to all registered voters. Discussion followed and clarification on there would still be the State election and school budget on July 15th as proposed by the Governor. There would be a slight increase because of postage. Ballots we pay for anyway but not ballot clerks would be need in June but just for July election so that is same cost as budgeted.

Motion to Keep and Hold the Municipal Election on June 9th as scheduled (Town Warrant and Town Officials) made by S. Dumont, 2nd by S. Laplante. Approved 4-0

A. Manager's Report

Town Manager's Report – April 9th, 2020

No Town Manager's Report busy working on Budget. Town Manager just wanted to recognize employees for working through this pandemic and helping him keep the town running. He said employees are working from home but Code Enforcement (John and Jim) coming in working alternative days. He also wants to commend the Transfer Station staff for working on the front lines and he wants to thank them. They are also alternating days to come in. He wanted to thank the Town Clerk for coming in and working mornings a few days a week to answer calls etc. and also working from home. Finance Director also working from home and comes in and leaves before anyone arrives to get warrants etc. done. Road crew working as needed like tonight during snow storm. He couldn't do what he does with out all the employees doing what is needed during this time.

S. Laplante thanked the Town Manager for all his hard work. They know he has been in everyday keeping the town running and working on the budget. The thank you was echoed by all selectmen.

B. Other Business

- Reminder Nomination Paperwork due back by Friday April 10, 2020 @4:30 pm

C. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn at 6:39 made by S. Laplante, 2nd by S. Dumont. Approved 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Frank, Chairman

Denise Dumont, Secretary

TOWN OF HARRISON

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Meeting Attendance

Teleconference On-line Meeting 4-9-20

Melissa St. John

Kathy Laplante

Kathleen Kramer

Kenneth Banks

Select Board Meeting

ID: 344-659-973

5:46 PM 53 min

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Attendee List

Name	Email Address	Join & Leave Times
Kathy Laplante		6:11 PM - 6:38 PM
Kathleen Kramer		5:59 PM - 6:38 PM
Melissa St.John	mstjohn@harrisonmaine.org	6:00 PM - 6:38 PM
Tim Pellerin		5:53 PM - 6:38 PM
Henry Dumont		5:50 PM - 6:39 PM
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Kenneth Banks		5:53 PM - 6:38 PM
Denise Dumont		5:50 PM - 5:51 PM
Denise Dumont	ddumont@harrisonmaine.org	5:46 PM - 6:39 PM
Kathy Laplante		5:51 PM - 6:39 PM
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