

TOWN OF STRONG – SELECTMEN’S MEETING MINUTES

February 23, 2021 @ 6pm

1. Call meeting to order – flag salute: Rob Elliott called the Selectmen’s Meeting to order with flag salute at 6pm.

2. Board Member Attendance Recognized: Rob Elliott, Dick Worthley, Andy Pratt, Jim Burrill, and Rodney Cook. Staff Attending: Sandra Mitchell, Alana Ranney, Maria Johnson, Lawrence Curtis. Others Attending: Rupert Pratt, Jesus Velize and Hugo Dasilva.

3. Approval of the Selectmen’s Meeting Minutes from 02/09/21: Rodney Cook made a motion to approve minutes from the 02/09/21 selectmen’s meeting. Andrew Pratt 2nd the motion and all voted in favor.

4. Approval of the Treasurer’s Warrant for week of 02/18/2021 for \$15,884.81: Jim Burrill name made a motion to approve Treasurer’s Warrant for week of 02/18/2021 for \$15,884.81. Dick Worthley 2nd the motion and all voted in favor.

5. Sign Election Warrant: Rob E. read the warrant Jim Burrill name made a motion to sign the warrant Rodney Cook 2nd the motion and all voted in favor.

6. Budget/Warrant Articles 2021: Budget Committee to meet on March 1, 2021 and a selectmen were requested to attend. Some discussion persuaded about the following warrant articles: Article 7, 11, 18, 28, 35, and 40. Jim Burrill made a motion to recommend \$2,500 for Article 40 of the warrant “To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Economic Ministry.” Dick 2nd the motion and all voted in favor.

7. Reports of the Treasurer/Town Clerk/Highway Foreman: Alana submitted the Franklin County Animal shelter contract. Dick Worthley made a motion to sign the FCAS contract for July 1, 2021 to June 1, 2022 for \$2,668.60 Rodney Cook 2nd the motion and all voted in favor. Marie Johnson was welcomed. Rob E. made a motion to appoint Marie Johnson as the Town of Strong Treasure, Tax Collector, and General Assistance Administrator and to appoint Sandy Mitchell as the Deputy Treasure and Deputy Tax Collector Jim B. 2nd the motion and all voted in favor. Alana R. will be going to Vienna during their town election next month for some hands on training.

8. Selectmen’s Reports. The selectman will be submitting ideas next meeting for the dedication for the town report and getting their selectmen’s reports done for the town report.

New Business

Local residents Jesus Velez and Hugo Dasilva spoke about a Hemp processing plant venture they are researching and requested information on the process. They were referred to Jeff Murphy of the planning board committee.

Rupert Pratt made a requested of the selectmen to change Article 34 in the warrant an "To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to transform the Tennis Court to a Basketball Court and use whatever funds necessary from the tennis court account to buy and erect backboards nets and what every necessary." Andy Pratt made a motion to replace Article 34 in the warrant, "To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to transform the tennis court to a basketball court and use whatever funds necessary from the tennis court account to buy and erect backboards, nets, and what every necessary." Rod Cook 2nd the motion and all voted in favor.

Jim B. made a motion to adjourn. Dick M. 2nd the motion and all voted in favor Meeting adjourned at 6:49pm.

Respectfully Submitted by

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alana Ranney", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Alana Ranney, Clerk