



Town of Dublin
Select Board Meeting
Monday, February 14, 2022

4:30 PM in person and via Zoom

In attendance: Chris Raymond, Carole Monroe, Susan Peters, Jeannine Dunne, Tom Kennedy, Alan Edelkind

In attendance on Zoom: K Vanderbilt, Brie Morrissey and reporters: Ashley Saari, Dana Mayhew

Select Board reviewed the correspondence file, payroll and accounts payable

CALL TO ORDER: Chris Raymond called the meeting to order at 4:31PM

SELECT BOARD'S BUSINESS:

1. **Approval of the Minutes of February 7, 2022-** Chris made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Susan seconded. Roll call vote: Susan, yes. Carole, yes. Chris, yes.
2. **Sound System for Town Meeting-**Dublin Consolidated School's PA system is unreliable. Kate will explore reliable companies that provide this service.
3. **Monthly Update from Town Clerk/Tax Collector-** Jeannine presented an abatement which was signed by the Board. She also presented a report of unpaid receivables (Taxes past due on property) along with an outline of the steps taken in collecting delinquent taxes. Jeannine continues to prepare for the Town Meeting noting that Ballots are at the printers and that Sterling Abram has been sworn in as Interim Town Moderator.
4. **Women's Club Pre-Town Meeting-** the event will be held in person on the third floor of Town Hall on March 1, 2022 at 7:00pm. Masks are required and the event is restricted to 40 people which will be decided on a first-come, first-serve basis. The Board supports this event. Since attendance is restricted, the Board will confirm if all three Board Members should attend or if the Club would prefer a single representative. Pre-Town Meeting information will be published in the *Dublin Advocate*.
5. **Sugar on Snow-Recreation Department-** the committee proposed a new event to be held at Frost Farm, 118 Craig Road, Dublin on March 20, 2022 from 1:00-3:00pm. The committee has funds in their budget and the farm will add an insurance binder for this event. It is hoped that this party becomes a yearly event. The Board approves and supports this event. Additional information will be posted in the *Dublin Advocate*.

6. **Discussion about Hybrid meetings at Town Hall-** Hybrid meetings are gaining in popularity for both health and convenience reasons. However, it is imperative to have a communication system that functions for the benefit of all. With plans to revise Town Hall's basement to meet better air-quality standards and to become more conducive to meetings, now is the time to begin research on systems that allow user-friendly Hybrid meetings.
7. **Building Permit Map 7 Lot 18-A-24 Chestnut Hill for signature-** signed by the Board
8. **Monthly Update from Solid Waste-** Tom Kennedy reported that the new building is almost completed and that he was pleased with the work that has gone into it. Services at the transfer station remain the same. Equipment is all good. The loader was serviced on Friday. Tom would like to get its tires repaired in the near future. Income from recyclables has increased and hopefully this trend will continue. The Board asked that Tom continue to work with the Recycling Committee to find a solution in meeting code enforcement recommendations of building a new office.
9. **Monthly Update from School Board-** Alan Edlekind presented a handout that summarizes the thought process that goes into developing the School Budget. This information is available to the public and can be found on the Town's website. Alan, along with many other town representatives believes that the School Board needs to maintain full transparency, which is why they fought to have "Expansion of Current Preschool Program" to be a Warrant Article. Keeping this expense separate will also allow future monitoring and help in measuring its success rate. Alan wants to improve communication with the public and believes the focus should be on What the school district provides rather than the dollar amounts. Consolidation is being studied with consideration given to children's' education and social impact as well as monetary and community effects.
10. **Miscellaneous:**
 - Frances McKenna has agreed to make two new ballot boxes. Frances is generously donating his time and materials to the Town of Dublin. Thank you.
 - Sterling Abram met with Kate to discuss the upcoming Town Meeting specifically about the mask requirement and social distancing. It was noted that DCS has mandated that masks be worn at all times while on school property. Dublin's Highway Department will be setting up and breaking down the gym. Runners are still needed for ballot boxes.
 - Conceptual plans for Town Hall's basement are in process. Once completed, Mike Borden, K and Tom Vanderbilt and others will review. Requests for proposals will go out to the public.
 - K Vanderbilt reported that she is working on obtaining a grant to improve the air quality on the second and third floor of Town Hall. Kim Bergeron is providing information. K has already had a grant approved for the Town in the amount of

\$43,000 which will be used for Fire Department equipment and a laptop computer.

- There is no Board meeting scheduled for Monday, February 21, 2022-Presidents' Day.

NON-PUBLIC: Chris made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:08pm and enter non-public under RSA 91-A:3 II (e). Carole seconded. Roll Call Vote: Susan, yes. Carole, yes. Chris, yes.

A motion was made by Chris and seconded by Carole to re-enter public session at 6:15pm. Roll Call Vote: Susan, yes. Carole, yes. Chris, yes.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Carole made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:17 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Katherine M. Fuller and Pamela J. Cox

Chris Raymond

Carole Monroe

Susan Peters