

Members Present: Wayne R. Walker, Heather M. Billings, James A. DeLisle

Others Present: Mark Hawke, Stephanie Lahtinen

Planning Board Members Present (via teleconference): Jon Wyman, Marie Auger, Andrew Rice, Dan Bartkus, Michael Smith

CALL TO ORDER

W. Walker called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in room 205 of the Town Hall. He announced that the meeting was being recorded and broadcast live by Ashburnham/Westminster Community Access TV.

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to watch the meeting may do so via Comcast Channel 9 or Live Streamed via the www.AWcaTV.org. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the town's website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

JOINT MEETING OF THE SELECTMEN AND PLANNING BOARD

Joint Appointment of Planning Board Member

Jon Wyman called a meeting of the Planning Board to order at 6:02 p.m.

Due to a resignation, the Selectmen and Planning Board will be appointing Lawrence Skamarycz to the Planning Board until the Annual Town Election.

W. Walker made a motion to appoint Lawrence Skamarycz to the Planning Board for a term to end at the Annual Town Election. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously through a roll call vote of the Selectmen and Planning Board.

The Planning Board adjourned their meeting at 6:07 p.m.

APPROVALS

WARRANTS

H. Billings made a motion to approve the following warrants:

Accounts Payable	20-41A 3/29/2020	\$21,919.19
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The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

MINUTES OF MARCH 23, 2020

H. Billings made a motion to approve the minutes of March 23, 2020 as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

POSTPONEMENT OF ANNUAL/SPECIAL TOWN MEETING & ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

W. Walker stated that due to the state of emergency declared by the Governor in executive order 591, Declaration of a State of Emergency to Respond to COVID-19, the subsequent orders closing certain workplaces and the prohibition on gatherings of more than 10 people through May 4, 2020 and after consultation with the Town Clerk and Town Moderator, it is our recommendation to postpone the Town election and Town Meeting to June 2 and June 6 respectively.

H. Billings made a motion that pursuant to section 1 of chapter 45 of the Acts of 2020 and because of the state of emergency declared by the Governor and subsequent orders closing certain workplaces and the prohibition on gatherings of more than 10 people through May 4, 2020, the annual town election scheduled for April 28, 2020 be postponed and rescheduled to June 2, 2020. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

H. Billings made a motion that in accordance with MGL Ch39 s9, and because of the state of emergency declared by the Governor and subsequent orders closing certain workplaces and the prohibition on gatherings of more than 10 people through May 4, 2020, the annual Town Meeting scheduled for May 2, 2020 be delayed until June 6, 2020. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

PILOT AGREEMENTS

H. Billings made a motion to add two Solar PILOT Agreements (TES Rowtier Road Solar 23, LLC and TES Overlook Road LLC) for approval at the June 6, 2020 Annual Town Meeting . The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

ONGOING BUSINESS

REVIEW MAY 2, 2020 DRAFT SPECIAL AND ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANTS

This item will be taken up at a later meeting.

BUDGET REVIEW

This item will be taken up at a later meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

James A. DeLisle, Clerk
(Prepared by S. Lahtinen)