

*Office of the Select Board
Town of Orange, New Hampshire
Minutes of December 22, 2020*

Present: Dorothy Heinrichs, Chair; Tamara Fairbank, Aaron Allen, and Sandi Pierson (clerical).

Others: James and Candy Moore

Meeting opened at 6 p.m. Attendance taken by the secretary.

Minutes: The minutes of December 10, 2020 were unanimously approved as submitted.

Tax-deeded property sale: The Board signed a quitclaim deed transferring 0.65 acre of town-owned land (Tuttle Hill Road/Map 1, Lot 57/tax-deeded in 2006) to abutters James and Candy Moore with the agreement that it be merged with their existing lot and not be retained as a separate lot. Total selling price was \$2,946.00 (\$2,500 base price and \$446.00 for deed preparation, transfer tax, and recordation). The Moores signed a voluntary property merger application which will be forwarded to Planning Board Chair Scott Sanborn for approval and recordation at the Planning Board's next schedule meeting.

Investment Policy: The Board signed the 2021 Investment Policy as required by State statute.

Intent to Cut: The Board approved an Intent to Cut for the Gunn property/New Colony Road/Map 3, Lot 47. Logger is Walter Buckwold.

The Board confirmed the schedule to draft the 2021 budget:

- Tuesday, January 12: Joint budget meeting with Budget Committee and Select Board
- Tuesday, January 19: Second joint meeting if needed, post public budget hearing
- Tuesday, January 26: Public budget hearing
- Monday, February 1: Submit warrant as drafted by Select Board to the DRA for review and approval
- Tuesday, February 9: Board to sign final warrant as DRA-approved.
- Tuesday, March 9: Town Meeting

Other:

- The Board was in receipt of the FEMA financial report ending December 20, 2020 from Treasurer Trish Weekes.

Other Select Board business: n/a

Secretary's report:

- It is time to update existing elderly exemptions as required by the DRA.

Reports from Boards and Committees: n/a

Public comment: n/a

Bills and vouchers were reviewed and signed.

Nonpublic session: Tamara motioned to go into nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3-c to review an Elderly Exemption application. Aaron seconded. Motion passed unanimously in favor. Nonpublic session: 6:22 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Dorothy announced that with regret they denied the application because the applicant's annual income exceeded the guidelines set by the town.

Meeting adjourned 6:30 p.m.

Dorothy Behlen Heinrichs

Tamara Fairbank

Aaron Allen