

**Town of New Haven Selectboard Meeting**  
**7:00 pm**  
**Tuesday, September 1, 2020**  
**Town Offices**

**\*\* Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, this meeting was held via GoToMeeting\*\***

Selectboard: Chair, Steve Dupoise, Vice Chair, Kathy Barrett, Taborri Bruhl and Jim Walsh

Town Administrator / ZA: Aaron Brown

Selectboard Assistant: Pam Kingman

Absent: John Roleau

**ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:** Bleachers & picnic tables / Robert Clark will attend the Sept. 15, 2020 meeting / Remove from agenda: Dog Ordinance and Fire Warden Appt. / Current financial status for the month / Zoning update / Formally endorse Bike Loop / Monies for the War Memorial Park in budget

1. Bleachers: It was reported that John Roleau has spoken to Jim Burke who will make new bleachers for the ball field this fall and new picnic tables for the Village Green in the spring.

**ZONING UPDATE - given by Aaron Brown:**

1. There has been a slight increase in zoning permits; mainly for storage facilities.
2. Aaron and Taborri Bruhl have been out to Porky's BBQ to take noise readings, twice the readings were slightly above 70 decibels. Taborri commented at 68 DBA it wasn't excessively loud and was appropriate. Neighbors are complaining about noise levels. Aaron mentioned the Selectboard could pass an "Entertainment Ordinance" and include acceptable noise levels.
3. Aaron reported there have been several neighbor disputes over the summer.

**ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA CONTINUED:**

1. **War Memorial Park Funds:** Treasurer, Danielle Cummings wanted to remind the Selectboard there is still \$16k left in the budget to make improvements to Memorial Park. Don Johnston completed the survey for the park earlier this year. John Roleau and Tim Bouton had some ideas about the improvements; Aaron will approach them about it.

\*\* Taborri Bruhl logged off at this time due to a bad connection\*\*

2. Kathy Barrett made a motion to endorse the findings of the Triangle Bike Loop. Motion seconded by Steve Dupoise. Vote by roll call 3 yes / 0 no

### **TOWN ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:**

1. **COVID-19:** The Fire Dept. received a shipment of cloth masks to hand out to the public, which they did on Saturday during recycling. The Fire Dept. handed out all of the masks they were given, but Aaron said the Town still has a supply.
2. **Road Update:**
  - Aaron has conducted Road Foreman, Tim Richs' review and Tim in turn will review Eric Boise and Jerry Currier.
  - The Crew is starting to prepare equipment for the winter
  - Bike Loop: Mike Winslow from ACRPC is working with Larry Buck and Doug McKain on a more substantial grant that will include Munger Street and Painter Road (in Middlebury).
  - Aaron has submitted a letter of interest on behalf of the Road Crew for a paving roller. This is through a grant opportunity.
3. **Town Buildings:**
  - **Climate Systems** will be viewing Town Hall cafeteria again tomorrow re: Heat pumps.
  - **Bishops** has ordered the fencing for Riverside Cemetery, there is no date for installation yet.
  - **Beeman Parking** lot will be re-striped according to the recent survey. The Towns parking spaces were done last year, and need to be redone. Discuss whether the Road Crew could do it for the Town.

### **FINANCIALS:**

1. Jim Walsh did the math on the current financials and he thinks we are short \$14k. Aaron said we have received the grant reimbursement from the Vehicle Charging Station, which is \$20k. Now that the tax bills have been sent out, tax money is coming in. We may also receive a grant reimbursement from the Beaver Brook project. That money will go into the Road Budget. The Board discussed if we run short, we can hold off on some bills between now and October 1<sup>st</sup> and just concentrate on payroll.

### **AUTHORIZATIONS:**

1. Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve payroll for the week ending 8/22/20, in the amount of \$4,548.72, seconded by Taborri Bruhl. Vote by roll call 4 yes / 0 no

- 2. Steve Dupoise made a motion to approve payroll for the week ending 8/29/20, in the amount of \$4,200.91, seconded by Kathy Barrett. Vote by roll call 4 yes / 0 no
- 3. Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve the pay orders for the week ending 9/1/20; in the amount of \$323,750.24 this includes payment on the Beaver Brook Project and Otter Creek Engineering. Motion seconded by Taborri Bruhl. Vote by roll call 4 yes / 0 no
- 4. Kathy Barrett made a motion for any Agency that has asked New Haven for money in the past through the petition process; petitions will be waived for 2021 only due to COVID. Motion seconded by Taborri Bruhl. Vote by roll call 4 yes / 0 no
- 5. Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve the minutes from 8/18/20, seconded by Taborri Bruhl. 3 yes / 0 no


**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Adjourn: 7:28 pm


Respectfully submitted:

Pam Kingman

Approved on 9-15-20

  
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Chair, Steve Dupoise

  
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Vice Chair, Kathy Barrett

  
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