

**Dunbarton Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2021**

A meeting of the Dunbarton Board of Selectmen (BoS) was held on Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Dunbarton Town Offices.

Board members present:

Dave Nault, Chair
Mike Kaminski, Selectman
Bob Martel, Selectman

Town Officials and others present:

Line Comeau, Town Administrator
Don Larsen, Cemetery Trustee and Garden Club Representative

Lee Martel recorded the meeting for the benefit of citizens that were unable to attend (Linda Nickerson uploads the videos to YouTube).

Dave Nault called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

Approve Minutes

Motion: by Bob Martel, seconded by Mike Kaminski to approve the regular meeting minutes of March 4, 2021 as amended.

Discussion: none.

Vote: (3-0)

Motion: by Bob Martel, seconded by Mike Kaminski to approve the nonpublic (7:44 p.m.) meeting minutes of March 4, 2021 as amended. These minutes will be sealed.

Discussion: none.

Vote: (3-0)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Don Larsen said they will be meeting on Saturday at 10 am at the cemetery by the Town Office to remove the wreaths from the cemeteries. Volunteers are welcome.

TOWN BUSINESS

Accept Donation

Motion: by Mike Kaminski, seconded by Bob Martel, to accept per RSA 31:95-b III(b) fundraising for Wreaths Across Dunbarton in the amount of \$65.00.

Discussion: none.

Vote: (3-0)

Motion: by Mike Kaminski, seconded by Bob Martel, to accept per RSA 31:95-b III(b) fundraising for the cemetery improvements from ticket sales in the amount of \$201.00.

Discussion: none.

Vote: (3-0)

Garden Club Update

Don Larsen, on behalf of the Garden Club, asked for permission from the BoS to be able to decorate the bandstand for each holiday. The BoS raised concerns regarding complaints they have received from people that live nearby that don't like looking at some of the decorations all the time, or comments that they are left up too long. The BoS stated that they would prefer having a discussion prior to each holiday that they choose to decorate for to discuss the nature of the decorations and the amount of time they intend to leave them up.

Town Office Reopening Guidance

In response to the announcement by the governor that they will be loosening pandemic restrictions, a discussion was held regarding opening up the Town Offices to the public.

Line Comeau stated that the majority of the department heads are comfortable in opening the doors. It was decided that they will open to the public on Monday, March 15, but all other guidelines regarding masks and social distancing will remain in effect.

Exaction Fees for Road Bonds

Line Comeau passed along information from Donna White regarding exaction fees for road bonds. **Dave Nault** suggested that they take a week to look over the information and revisit the topic with the Road Agent at their next meeting.

Town Meeting Results

The proposed budget passed, along with a motion that was raised from the floor to change the increase in town salaries from 1% to 3%.

Motion: by Dave Nault, seconded by Bob Martel, to change the increase in town employee salaries from 1% to 3%.

Discussion: none.

Vote: (2-0-1) *Kaminski abstained.*

Dave Nault would like to send a thank you to Clem Madden and the two volunteers that helped to get the audio/video portion of the meeting up and running.

Mike Kaminski expressed concerns that a person counting ballots was a candidate as well.

Selectmen Summer Schedule

The BoS reviewed the list of upcoming meetings and decided upon their summer schedule. The BoS will be meeting every other week through October.

Mailbox Items

Dave Nault reviewed the following items of correspondence received since the last meeting:

- Response from Michelle Clark of the NHMA regarding town meeting rules pertaining to motioning from the floor to change funding sources.
- Two withdrawals from the Capital Reserve to settle a warrant article from last year as well as for the Reval.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

BOARD MEMBER ISSUES

Line Comeau said that the new hire in her office is doing very well so far

Mike Kaminski said that he felt Dave Nault did a great job as Chair at Town Meeting and felt that they did a good job overall.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: by Dave Nault, seconded by Mike Kaminski to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer King, Recording Secretary

David Nault, Chair

Michael Kaminski, Selectman

Robert Martel, Selectman