

**Dunbarton Board of Selectmen  
Meeting Minutes  
June 10, 2021**

A meeting of the Dunbarton Board of Selectmen (BoS) was held on Thursday, June 10, 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  
Woody Bowne, Transfer Station Supervisor

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 Dave Nault to approve the regular meeting minutes of May 27, 2021 as amended.

**Discussion:** none.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**TOWN BUSINESS**

Transfer Station Staffing

**Motion:** by Dave Nault, seconded by Bob Martel, to keep former town employee Ed Wooten on the payroll as an on-call Transfer Station employee that may return in the winter for some hours and also help with things such as election setup/breakdown, Saturdays, etc.

**Discussion:** Mike Kaminski asked if they should be keeping him at the same level of pay given that he is no longer a supervisor at the transfer station. It was decided by the BoS that his rate of pay will remain the same given his high level of skills, experience, and dependability.

**Vote:** (3-0).

Personnel Plan Request

Woody Bowne submitted a request to change the amount of the boot allowance for transfer station employees listed in the personnel plan. Due

to the increasing prices of boots, he would like it to be increased from (\$150) to (\$175). Their new employee was able to get a pair for (\$166.00). **Bob Martel** cautioned against relying on one source for footwear, especially when prices are increasing. He supports paying the full amount for this purchase but would like some time for further research and discussion before making any changes to their current allowance/policy.

**Motion:** by Bob Martel, seconded by Mike Kaminski to pay the difference between the current boot allowance of (\$150) and the recent new employee boot purchase of (\$166.50).

**Discussion:** nothing further.

**Vote: (3-0).**

**Woody Bowne** noted that they have three employees coming due for new pairs of boots in the near future. **Dave Nault** said they can do some research and make some decisions about those specific purchases at an upcoming meeting.

#### Special Meeting Notice

A special meeting to discuss the Kelsea Road turnaround will be held at the on-site on Monday June 14 at 4 p.m. This meeting is open to the public.

#### Committee Appointment

**Motion:** by Dave Nault, seconded by Bob Martel, to appoint George E. Maskeill to the Old Home Day Committee, with a term ending March 2022.

**Discussion:** none.

**Vote: (3-0).**

**Mike Kaminski** inquired about the status of Old Home Day.

**Dave Nault** said that he expects that the committee will be approaching the BoS soon with details.

#### Indeed Applications

The town has some received some applications through Indeed for the transfer station position. The BoS will review them and decide with Woody Bowne who they would like to bring in for an interview.

#### Permit Request

**Motion:** by Dave Nault, seconded by Mike Kaminski, to approve per RSA 287-A the permit request of Pioneer Crew 556 4-H Club to run one or more fundraising raffles to support the 4-H organization in town.

**Discussion:** none.

**Vote: (3-0).**

### Tree Removal

**Dave Nault brought up the** large ash tree located on the town common **that** has died **because of the Emerald Ash disease** and needs to be removed. Dow Services, who recently performed the cemetery tree removal quoted a price of (\$960) to remove it. They also received a **quote** from Skip Trudeau to grind the stump for (\$250). Jeff Crosby did attempt to secure 3 other bids. One was much too high, and two other requests were unanswered. Work on this can begin in two weeks.

- The BoS agreed to allow the work to go forward on this.

### Election Totals

**Dave Nault** read the special election totals as submitted by the Town Clerk:

- Dunbarton: Total ballots cast: 749  
Total names on checklist: 2,347  
Candidates: Christopher Linz: 419  
Muriel Hall: 328
- Bow: Total ballots cast: 2,561  
Total names on the checklist: 6,629.  
Candidates: Christopher Linz: 974  
Muriel Hall: 1,584  
Write-in: 1

**Mike Kaminski** stated that it was a well-run election from set-up to the end. He would like to send a special letter of appreciation to Fred Mullen for stepping out of retirement to serve as Moderator Pro-Tem. **Dave Nault** would also like to extend a thank you to John Trottier for assisting.

### Town Office Building Repairs

Discussion occurred regarding the condition of the roof of the town offices. The BoS asked Line Comeau to obtain some quotes on roof replacement for them to review. **Line Comeau** noted that the doors also need to be repainted. **Dave Nault** suggested that she call Tuttle Painting to look at repainting them. **Line Comeau** noted that she will also have him take a look at the paint issue with the columns at the library (still under warranty).

### Moment of Silence

A moment of silence was held for long-time town resident Eleanor Swindlehurst who recently passed away.

### Mailbox Items

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

- Table pricing (per Dave Nault's request): the taller tables that they use at the elections have proven to be useful. They are \$64.99 each. They would like to get 4 more of them. BoS was in consensus to use Covid19 grant money to purchase these tables.
- Stanchion pricing (per Dave Nault's request): \$233.99. After some discussion, the BoS was in consensus to use Covid19 grant money to purchase 8 more stanchions to use to better delineate the traffic flow through the election area.
- Memo to employee regarding outstanding leave time and FMLA.
- Update from Concord Regional Solid Waste Resource Recovery Cooperative: forwarding to Woody for review and recommendation.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

**Lee Martel** asked about the status of the discussion of what to do with the Millstone. Discussion continued about displaying it at the town offices and having the Dunbarton Historical Society to write up some information to put on a plaque to be displayed next to it. **Mike Kaminski** requested that this topic be placed on the agenda for the next meeting for further discussion.

#### BOARD MEMBER ISSUES

**Mike Kaminski**: mentioned the discussion that took place at the last meeting about the dropping of some trees on town property. **It was noted that the proposed tree removal was provided by a home owners independent forester. The town decided that there is no further action needed.**

**Mike Kaminski**: would like to move forward with the **proposed** contract he created for the Sgt. Remillard **promotion**. He would like to forward a draft to him for his review and then forward it on to the town attorney for their review.

- The BoS was in consensus to proceed toward the next step in the hiring process.

#### ADJOURNMENT

**Motion:** by Dave Nault, seconded by Bob Martel to adjourn the meeting.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Jennifer King, Recording  
Secretary

Signed:

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David Nault, Chair

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Michael Kaminski, Selectman

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Robert Martel, Selectman