

APPROVED
MINUTES OF THE MILFORD BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
April 12, 2021

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PRESENT:	Gary Daniels, Chairman	John Shannon, Town Administrator (Zoom)
	Chris Labonte, Vice Chairman	Tina Philbrick, Executive Assistant (Zoom)
	Laura Dudziak, Member	Nate Addonizio, Videographer
	Paul Dargie, Member	
	David Freel, Member	

1. CALL TO ORDER, BOARD OF SELECTMEN INTRODUCTIONS & PUBLIC SPEAKING INSTRUCTIONS:

Chairman Daniels declared that an emergency exists and he was invoking the provisions of RSA 91-A: 2, III (b). Federal, state, and local officials have determined that gatherings of 10 or more people pose a substantial risk to the community in its continuing efforts to combat the spread of COVID-19. In concurring with their determination, he also finds that this meeting is imperative to the continued operation of Town government and services, which are vital to public safety and confidence during this emergency. As such, this meeting will be conducted with some members participating via Zoom and some members attending in person. Information for accessing this meeting can be found on the Town website in the red banner.

Chairman Daniels welcomed members of the public accessing this meeting remotely. Even though this meeting is being conducted in a unique manner under unusual circumstances, the usual rules of conduct and decorum apply. Public comments will be limited to five minutes per person. Any person found to be disrupting this meeting will be asked to cease the disruption. If the disruptive behavior continues thereafter, that person will be removed from the meeting.

All votes that are taken during this meeting must be done by Roll Call vote. Members who called in from home were asked to state their name and state whether there was anyone in the room with them during this meeting, which is required under the Right-to-Know law.

Roll call attendance: Selectman Dargie, yes, (zoom) no one is present. Selectman Dudziak, yes (zoom) no one is present. Selectman Labonte yes, present in the BOS room, Selectman Freel, present in the BOS room, and Chairman Daniels yes, present in the BOS room.

2. APPOINTMENTS – (Approximate times)

6:00 p.m. – Public Hearing - Keyes Memorial Park, East Entrance - Performance Stage. Donation of equipment, personnel/labor, and materials to the Town pursuant to RSA 41:14-a Acquisition or Sale of Land, Buildings, or Both for the assembly/construction of the performance stage.

Chairman Daniels opened the public hearing. Lincoln Daley, Community Development Director gave a brief overview. In Summary: the Demontigny family had previously donated granite stone material from a 30' x 60' stone structure building on their property. The material was used to construct the performance stage. Through the collective efforts and coordination of eighteen (18) local companies, they disassembled/removed the material from Demontigny property and then reassembled the material at the Keyes Memorial Park – East Entrance to create the 30' x 30' (approx.) performance stage.

The construction of the performance stage was included as an important element of the 2016 Keyes Memorial Park East Entrance Master Plan. The granite stone material, equipment, and services used to relocate the material and the construction of the project was donated by the referenced individuals/companies at no expense to the Town. The total approximated cost of the donated equipment, materials, and labor is approximately \$100,000.

The purpose of this public hearing is for the Board to determine whether to accept the donation of equipment, personnel/labor, and materials used for the assembly and construction of the performance stage located at the Keyes Memorial Park – East Entrance (former Fletcher Paint Superfund site). Although the stage has been constructed, to formally accept

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said donation (categorized as property), the Board of Selectmen is required to hold two public hearings in accordance with NH RSA 41:14-a Acquisition or Sale of Land, Buildings, or Both. The first of two public hearings is scheduled for April 12th followed by a second hearing on April 26th. The Selectmen's final vote would take place at the May 10th meeting.

Selectman Dargie asked if this included a roof on the structure. Lincoln said that will come in the next phase. Selectman Freel asked when it can be used. Lincoln said it's available for use now.

Chairman Daniels closed the public hearing. The 2nd public hearing will be on Monday, April 26, 2021, at 6:10.

6:05 p.m. – Future Replacement of Mason Road Bridge Discussion – Public Works Director, Rick Riendeau Existing Bridge Details

Tom Levins, an Engineer, gave a presentation of the Mason Road Bridge update. They are looking at getting some of the funding, about 80% paid for. This is a preliminary meeting. There will be additional meetings over the next year.

The bridge was constructed in 1982; approximately 3,500 vehicles travel over the bridge per day, 4% being trucks, it was added to Red List in 2018. It will not last much longer. The culvert Invert is deteriorating and it is in condition state 4 (poor). They also want to expand the hydraulic opening for better flow.

Bridge Replacement

- Proposed bridge to be a single span (25-foot clear opening).

Bridge alternatives include: Longitudinal glulam timber deck superstructure supported on concrete abutments and spread footings and Precast Concrete Rigid Frame supported on concrete pedestal walls and spread footings

Maintenance of Traffic

Alternatives:

- Accelerated Bridge Construction (ABC) with bridge closure. Detour traffic using NH Rt. 101 and local roads. Approximate closure duration of Mason Road = 1 month. Anticipated construction duration = 2 months
- Offline temporary bridge. Additional impacts to wetlands. 50-foot span for the temporary bridge. Anticipated construction duration = 1 full construction season (3 to 4 months). Additional \$90,000 to \$100,000.

Cultural Resources: Section 106 Review

- Request for Project Review was submitted to DHR. The bridge is not considered historic. The project area is considered archaeologically sensitive. The survey may be necessary depending on project design & impacts.

Natural Resources

- Great Brook & adjacent wetlands
 - Tier 3 stream crossing
 - Impacts require permits from NHDES & USACE
- T&E Species / Wildlife
 - Blanding's turtle, Eastern hognose snake, spotted turtle so further coordination with NHF&G is required.
 - Northern long-eared bat – no tree clearing anticipated, so no impacts expected.
 - Beaver impoundments – NHF&G recommended that they remain in place.

Your Input is needed

- Preferred Closure Time (Spring, Summer, or Fall) for ABC
- Emergency Response Routes
- School Bus Routes
- Historic Concerns
- Past Flooding Concerns
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Concerns
- Other Concerns

Selectman Freel is for keeping the road open, not closing it, and for a temporary bridge. Rick said this is just the first pass at informing the public and the Board. Selectman Dargie said he's in favor of having the bypass bridge build. He has concerns about response time if there is an emergency. There was more discussion about the amount of travel on the road.

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Selectman Labonte asked if the emergency services have given their input yet. Rick repeated this is the first meeting; it's in the early stage. They have time for input. Selectman Freel thought they could just repair the bridge instead of replacing it. Rick said the support is bad and that is what is holding the bridge up. There are a lot of things they need to follow when designing bridges. Tom said the hydraulic opening isn't adequate and needs to be replaced. Selectman Labonte asked about weight restrictions. Tom said there will not be any.

Bob Labonte, Milford resident, said there are rumors about doing the bypass this year, it could affect that. Chairman Daniels said this won't be done until next year. Selectman Freel asked how bad this bridge is. Rick said it's already level 4 and red-listed and it could go quick. Jennison road was the same and it went quick, everything is different. Tom said metal structures can go fast. One in Hancock went fast and we didn't think it was that bad.

Chairman Daniels asked Rick to get some additional estimates. Tom said they are still in the engineering stage. Selectman Labonte asked how long this bridge was on the red list. Tom said since 2018. Chairman Daniels asked when they would do the next update. Tom said the next step is to develop and evaluate alternatives based on the Town's input. Then they have to submit an Engineering Study Report summarizing the alternatives and selection of preferred alternative.

6:20 p.m. – Outdoor Seating, Union Street Grill – Kevin Stephens

In summary: Kevin would like to set up tables in Memorial Park where he set up last summer during the pandemic. Kevin provided a seating chart for the Board to review.

Selectman Labonte asked Rick how he felt about this. Rick said he is good with it.

Selectman Freel made a motion to approve the proposed seating arrangement for the Union Street Grill for the 2021 season. Seconded by Selectman Labonte. A roll call vote was taken with Selectman Dargie yes, Selectman Dudziak yes, Selectman Labonte yes, Selectman Freel yes, and Chairman Daniels yes. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

6:30 p.m. – Request for Waiver of Ordinance 7.16.070 – Fred Kemmerer

In summary: The Nashua Area Radio Society has requested the use of the Keyes Pavilion starting on Friday, June 25, 2021, through Sunday, June 27, 2021, for their Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Drill (ARRL Field Day). They have previously held this event in 2019 and 2020 with the waiver of the ordinance. They would need to have a limited number of people operating at the site overnight on Friday and Saturday to ensure safety and security.

Selectman Freel made a motion to approve The Nashua Area Radio Society's request to Keyes field. Seconded by Selectman Labonte. A roll call vote was taken with Selectman Dargie yes, Selectman Dudziak yes, Selectman Labonte yes, Selectman Freel yes, and Chairman Daniels yes. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

6:40 p.m. - Abandonment Request Driveway, 4 Fernwood Drive Map 48 Lot 55 – Duane Myers

In summary: Duane bought the property in June of 2020 and would like to build a 2 or 2.5 car garage. The town owns 1/3 of the driveway and uses it as a turnaround because Fernwood is a dead end. He is requesting the town abandon this section of his driveway which would allow him to build a garage without requesting a variance to remain 15 feet from his driveway. He would like to pave or improve the dirt driveway. If the town maintains ownership he is requesting that they pave/improve their section. He would still allow the town to continue to use the end of the driveway as a turnaround. If denied, he will move forward with a variance request.

Lincoln explained that this would be a special exception, not a variance. They would need a maintenance easement to allow the town to continue using the property. Rick said there are two options, the abandonment from the turnaround which will leave them with a dead end with no turn around or if the easement is granted, we would be working in an easement area. It's tough either way.

Selectman Dargie asked if the garage was built would it be on town's own land. Duane said it would be built on his land. Selectman Dargie said the special exemption is straight forward and he doesn't see why you wouldn't go that route.

Selectman Dargie asked if Lincoln had a recommendation on this. Lincoln said they provided options to Duane. He doesn't have an opinion either way. Selectman Labonte asked if Rick had a preference. Rick said no, he just hates to give up portions of the road. With an easement, we may end up damaging the property but if we didn't have the easement we would have to back up which is a safety problem.

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Selectman Labonte asked if Duane has an objection to going for a special exception instead. Duane said no. Chairman Daniels said he could try that first and then if he needs to, he can come back. Lincoln said he would work with Duane to create the application.

6:50 p.m. – Scout House Windows – Claudia Lemaire

In summary: The scouts use the scout house and there is no ventilation because the windows won't open and need to be replaced. There are six windows and a front door. They sent a letter to the American Legion asking to make the repairs. They also need permission from the Board of Selectman. They are looking for monies to help with the repairs from both the Town and Legion. There is concern about structural work and there maybe rot issues as well.

According to the Scout House lease, The Town of Milford shall be responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of the exterior of the building (inclusive of doors/frames, and the one (1) externally entranced lavatory facility).

Claudia has a quote and a contractor that will do the work for \$3,355. Selectman Freel asked if there was money to pay for this. Administrator Shannon said yes, but according to the procurement policy, you need three bids although there is a stipulation for sole source. If you want to go with the sole source, it requires a Board vote. There was some talk about getting additional bids.

Selectman Dudziak asked if it was a historical building. Claudia said no, she called the historical society. Captain Frye asked if they asked for donations to put towards this. Claudia said it isn't a ton of money and they need it done quickly and have someone to do it for a cheap price.

Selectman Freel made a motion to approve the work to be done up to \$3,400 with the town getting additional bids. Seconded by Selectman Labonte.

Selectman Labonte is in favor but feels we should follow the policy and get other bids. Selectman Dargie is in favor of supporting a sole source and doing it as quickly as possible.

Janet Langdell, Milford resident, asked if Claudia checked with the Heritage Commission on this building. Claudia said no. She can also get it in writing. Janet said being on the historical registry is different than being a historical building in Milford. She suggests verifying with the Heritage Commission. Tina Philbrick, Milford resident, said the Heritage Commission is meeting at 7:00 pm on Wednesday. Janet said that the building is one of the original school buildings in Milford.

Selectman Dargie asked to amend the motion to being a sole source instead of getting three quotes per policy. Selectman Freel asked to include the types of windows per the opinion of the Heritage Commission. There was a discussion of adding additional monies to cover more expensive windows. Selectman Dargie said he changes his motion to include a change in the price. Selectman Freel said to change it to \$4,900.

Chairman Daniels is hesitant on increasing it. He would rather get the information from the Heritage Commission. Selectman Dargie said the main thing is the look. Chairman Daniels suggests approving as a sole source at \$3,500, have Claudia check with the Heritage Commission and if it doesn't fit, he will call a special meeting. Selectman Labonte said he's for the project, just not as a sole source, we have policies for a reason. Chairman Daniels said those policies can be waived.

Selectman Dargie made a motion to approve the project at a not to exceed \$3,500 if the cost exceeds that then Claudia will contact the Board. Selectman Freel seconded. A roll call vote was taken with Selectman Dargie yes, Selectman Dudziak yes, Selectman Labonte no, Selectman Freel yes, and Chairman Daniels yes. The motion passed 4/1 with Selectman Labonte opposed.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS (regarding items that are not on the agenda) There were no public comments at this time

4. DECISIONS – Selectman Labonte asked to remove 4. a) 1 and Selectman Freel asked to remove 4. a) 2 from the consent calendar. Selectman Labonte made a motion to approve the consent calendar except for 4. a) 1 and 4. a) 2. Seconded by Selectman Dudziak. A roll call vote was taken with Selectman Dargie yes, Selectman Dudziak yes, Selectman Labonte yes, Selectman Freel yes, and Chairman Daniels yes. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

a) CONSENT CALENDAR

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- 1) Request for Report of Excavated Material Map 38 Lot 58 (**PRIOR YEAR** April 1, 2019, to March 31, 2020.)
- 2) Request for Approval to use Town Owned Lot – International Police Mountain Bike Association (IPMBA) May 24th until May 28th.
- 3) Acceptance and Appropriation of Unanticipated Revenues Under \$10,000 (31:95(b)) – Donation of 1 container of 200 tablets Protexus PROTABS from the NH Division of Fire Standards and Training & EMS Bureau - \$200.
- 4) Approval to re-appoint Chris Costantino as an NRPC Commissioner – Term expires 2023.
- 5) Approval to re-appoint Janet Langdell as an NRPC Commissioner – Term Expires 2024.
- 6) Approval to appoint John Shannon as an NRPC Commissioner – Term Expires 2025.

Selectman Labonte asked for more detail on 4. a) 1) Request for Report of Excavated Material Map 38 Lot 58 (PRIOR YEAR April 1, 2019, to March 31, 2020.), why wasn't it filed on time. Marti Noel said it slipped through the cracks. She didn't pursue it because she thought there was a stop order. There was excavation done before the stop order.

Selectman Labonte said the material was hauled from the pit in October of 2020 and there should be something on file, it was bought from North East Sand and Gravel by the Town of Milford. Marti will look into it; she doesn't have an intent to excavate for this. Administrator Shannon said Selectman Labonte is referring to the sand that was already processed and we thought we were able to use. We were in the pit for less than a day. They were not excavating anything. Selectman Labonte said it doesn't matter when the sand was processed, it's when it left the property.

Selectman Freel made a motion to approve the consent calendar except for 4. a) Seconded by Selectman Labonte. A roll call vote was taken with Selectman Dargie yes, Selectman Dudziak yes, Selectman Labonte yes, Selectman Freel yes, and Chairman Daniels yes. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

Selectman Freel asked if there has ever been a problem with people trying to park or get their kids across the street during the Mountain Biking courses. Captain Frye said no. Selectman Freel asked if there was a reason they don't wait until school is out in a month or so. Captain Frye said they want to get the bike units out before school ends, it's not just for Milford.

Selectman Freel made a motion to approve 4. a) 2). Seconded by Selectman Labonte. A roll call vote was taken with Selectman Dargie yes, Selectman Dudziak yes, Selectman Labonte yes, Selectman Freel yes, and Chairman Daniels yes. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

b) OTHER DECISIONS

- 1) N/A

5. TOWN STATUS REPORT

1) Keyes Field Merry-go-round Maintenance

The Board received a letter from 10-year-old Elli Moore expressing interest in painting the merry-go-round at Keyes Field. They are willing to supply the paint and brushes. We will let her help. Rick is aware.

Selectman Labonte made a motion to approve the request to paint the merry-go-round. Seconded by Selectman Dargie. A roll call vote was taken with Selectman Dargie yes, Selectman Dudziak yes, Selectman Labonte yes, Selectman Freel yes, and Chairman Daniels yes. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

2) Execution of Warrant Article #12 – Pubic Works 6-Wheel Snow Plow Unit \$180,000.

Rick Riendeau, Public Works Director submitted three quotes that identically spec'd for equal comparison.

****The International HV507 SFA is a stock-ordered vehicle that meets our spec'd needs, which includes the motor, transmission, suspension, torque, and braking upgrades. This unit has a secured build date of July 2021 and will be up to fit complete before the winter season. Rick recommends this as the best value for the town's needs.**

The Freightliner 1085D is a buildable unit with an unknown production date. Is currently over budget, unknown warranty cost, and is not a chassis of choice for our needs.

The Western Star 4700SF is a buildable unit with an unknown production date. Is currently over budget, unknown warranty cost, and is not a chassis of choice for our needs.

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Rick was able to secure/ schedule up fit installation with Viking Cives for Fall 2021 to be completed by the upcoming winter season. P&S has been completed for the chassis and body up-fit authorizations have been completed.

Selectman Labonte asked why they didn't price this locally. Rick said they didn't price locally because of past issues. Selectman Labonte asked how they move forward if we only have \$186,802 when they only have \$180,000. Rick said they have a trade in value to work in the deals. Selectman Labonte said the purchase policy states gross appropriation

Chairman Daniels said the policy was that if the gross amount was over \$25,000 it would come to the Board for approval. There was an additional conversation about the purchasing policy; Selectman Labonte interprets it differently than the other Selectmen.

Selectman Freel said we are allowing Rick to spend up to \$180,000 and we have an asset to trade in which has a cash value. Paul Calabria, Finance Director said the policy was to approve an amount over \$25,000 if the gross was higher. In this case, we have a warrant article for \$180,000 but should the DPW Director not have a trade-in to get him under the \$180,000 he could pull the additional money from his operating budget. Selectman Labonte said it was still referred to as gross appropriation on any level.

Selectman Dargie asked if the \$10,779 warranty something that we want to do or can we not do it. Rick said we usually do the warranties, it's a good investment. It is not included in the gross vehicle cost. Administrator Shannon said read SECTION VII: of the procurement process on page 2.

Selectman Labonte asked if they had a trade-in value on the old vehicle yet. Rick said no, not yet. Selectman Labonte wants to wait until we get a trade-in before going forward on this. Chairman Daniels said we can approve it insuring that the cost doesn't exceed \$180,000. Selectman Dargie is in favor of buying the truck for \$186,777 plus buying the warranty, getting a trade-in value, and taking any amount over the \$180,000 out of the regular budget. Rick said he's good with that because trade-in values have been strong on used equipment.

Selectman Labonte asked if we have a breakdown of what type of body the vehicle has yet, there are ways we can save money. Rick said yes because we have a quote on it. The truck isn't built yet but it's in the queue. Selectman Labonte asked about color, he would like the town to go back to orange like they use to have. Selectman Freel said he's not in favor of extended warranties, he asked if we do that on all town vehicles. Rick said he doesn't know about Police and Fire but he's done it on several vehicles and it's saved them a lot of money. The standard warranty is only one year.

Selectman Dargie made a motion to approve the purchase of the warranty and the 6-wheel snowplow unit that was approved by town vote and any amount that is over \$180,000 comes from the DPW budget. Seconded by Selectman Dudziak. A roll call vote was taken with Selectman Dargie yes, Selectman Dudziak yes, Selectman Labonte no, Selectman Freel yes, and Chairman Daniels yes. The motion passed 4/1.

3) Compost Purchase – Steve Trombly

Steve Trombly would like to purchase the ground compost located at the transfer station, it was mentioned at a previous Selectmen meeting, that DPW was looking at ways to market this product for sale

Steve inspected the large material pile located in the rear of the transfer Station property that was ground this previous fall and would be willing to purchase the entire pile for the lump sum of \$10,000. He would be responsible for all the loading and trucking of this material and no cost whatsoever would be incurred to the town. This removal would be completed on time and at times that do not inhibit any current operational activities. He will pay by check the entire amount. Steve has donated his services to the Town for many years when his equipment has been needed to manage the turning of the leaf piles at no expense to the town.

Selectman Labonte asked how many yards in this compost. Rick said he estimates between 2500 to 3000 yards. Selectman Labonte asked if Rick knew that market value was for it. Rick said it's in between compost and mulch, it can't be matched to anything, and it's a waste reduction product. Selectman Labonte said in the retail market it goes for about \$40 per yard. He thinks that what is being offered is low and we should put it out to bid instead of just taking a sole source offer. Other vendors may be willing to pay more than that. He thinks that we paid between \$14,000 and \$16,000 to process this. Rick said it cost \$9,300 to process it.

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Selectman Labonte made a motion to go out to bid on the compost. The motion failed for lack of a second. Administrator Shannon said sole source only has to do with procurement this isn't procurement.

Selectman Freel asked who came up with the \$10,000 number. Administrator Shannon said Mr. Trombly offered the money. Rick said he didn't know about this until he was shown the letter by Administrator Shannon. Selectman Labonte still believes that other people are interested in buying some compost. Chairman Daniels said if people were interested they would have come to the town and asked about it.

Selectman Freel said Mr. Trombly is a taxpayer and has been around this town forever. If he's using it on the farm, it gets it out of the way and we get some money for it. Selectman Labonte said this isn't about Mr. Trombly, it's about maximizing the amount of money we can get. Selectman Freel said it isn't like the town paid \$20,000 for it and we are losing money on it. Selectman Freel asked if this seems like a reasonable amount of money for this material. Rick said yes, we are not in the retail market to try to sell for top dollar and we still have plenty for our use and other residents to use.

Selectman Dargie made a motion to approve Steve Trombly's request to purchase ground compost for \$10,000. Seconded by Selectman Dudziak.

Ammy Rice, Milford resident, said she's disappointed. If the Trombly's are coming to us with a \$10,000 offer we are leaving money on the table. She's disappointed that the Board won't listen to what Selectman Labonte is trying to tell you. She wishes the Board would reconsider.

Selectman Labonte said if no one knows it's for sale, you won't get anyone to buy it. He feels we can get more for it. We have dredgings that are not good unless we add organic material to it, which is compost at the transfer station. We will have to plan for a cemetery within the next five to ten years, we have other options and opportunities and shouldn't jump at the first one. Chairman Daniels said a few years ago we were begging people to take this away.

Tina Philbrick, a Milford resident said we have an offer for \$10,000 and if we decide to not go for that offer and wait for however long for someone else to ask for it, and if no one else comes forward, we have lost \$10,000. This is the only offer we have for this material and we still have compost remaining for others to buy if needed. This compost is not going to just sit to be used in ten or fifteen years for a cemetery. We have an opportunity to make \$10,000, we should take it. Mr. Trombly does a lot for the town, it's a no-brainer.

Bob Labonte, Milford resident said table this for a month to see what happens.

A roll call vote was taken with Selectman Dargie yes, Selectman Dudziak yes, Selectman Labonte no, Selectman Freel yes, and Chairman Daniels yes. All were in favor. The motion passed 4/1.

6. DISCUSSIONS

1) Crosby Street – Request for Deaf Child Signs

Betty Rodimon is requesting that Deaf child signs be placed around 66 Crosby Street to accommodate her grandson. She recently lost her husband to Covid in December and her oldest son and his family moved in with her to help supplement her income. One of the grandchildren was diagnosed with Auditory Neuropathy 2 years ago. This is a hearing loss that is difficult to explain. For him, a car horn and a dog barking could sound the same. Her son's family is moving from a home that is set far from the road where they don't have to worry about him running toward a road. Moving to Crosby Street is a concern for them since so many people fly down the road and he would not hear a car coming or even honking at him. She is hoping that people seeing these signs will bring a little more awareness when driving in our neighborhood. We can repurpose signs in other neighborhoods that are no longer needed.

Selectman Dargie asked if this needs to go to Traffic Safety. Administrator Shannon said no.

Selectman Freel made a motion to approve posting deaf child signs on Crosby Street. Seconded by Selectman Dargie. A roll call vote was taken with Selectman Dargie yes, Selectman Dudziak yes, Selectman Labonte yes, Selectman Freel yes, and Chairman Daniels yes. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS – (regarding items that are not on the agenda)

Selectman Freel referenced a letter about a Granite mailbox post that was taken out by a snowplow unit. The owner bought a new post and wants to be reimbursed. They were told the town would only replace it with a wooden post. Administrator

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Shannon said policy reads “The municipality is not responsible for damage to private property that is located within the public right of way (RSA 231:92-a). The right of way (ROW) is often 50'wide, but varies based on the original layout, and is often confused by property owners as their property. Mailboxes that are located within the highway limits, ROW (town right of way), are the responsibility of the property owner. Replacement of mailboxes shall be limited to furnishing and delivering a minimum standard U.S. Post Office approved mailbox and standard 4"x4" treated wood post. Special decorative mailboxes and/or posts will not be provided. This was voted on by the Selectmen.

Selectman Freel said that needs to change. The Town should replace what they hit even if it's a cap of \$300 or something. Chairman Daniels said a granite post was replaced on Crestwood Drive. Selectman Labonte asked if the mailbox was hit by the plow. Selectman Freel said the plow truck backed into the mailbox. Selectman Labonte said it's an accident not a snow plowing problem. There was more discussion about the interpretation of the policy. The discussion was tabled until April 26th pending more information.

8. SELECTMEN’S REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS

1. FROM PROJECTS, SPECIAL BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES

2. OTHER ITEMS (that are not on the agenda)

9. APPROVAL OF FINAL MINUTES - Selectman Freel moved to approve the minutes of March 22, 2021, and March 29, 2021, (5th Monday Forum). Seconded by Selectman Labonte. A roll call vote was taken with Selectman Dargie yes, Selectman Dudziak yes, Selectman Labonte yes, Selectman Freel yes, and Chairman Daniels yes. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

10. INFORMATION ITEMS REQUIRING NO DECISIONS.

1. Treasurer’s Report – January 2021 and February 2021.

11. NOTICES. Notices were read.

12. NON-PUBLIC SESSION a motion made by Selectman Freel to enter into a non-public session for approval of Minutes (RSA 91-A:3, II(c)) – Reputation – March 22, 2021. Seconded by Selectmen Labonte. A roll call vote was taken with Selectman Dargie yes, Selectman Dudziak yes, Selectman Labonte yes, Selectman Freel yes, and Chairman Daniels yes. The motion passed 5/0.

In non-public, the Board addressed one thing and made one decision.

13. ADJOURNMENT: Selectman Labonte moved to adjourn at 8:20 pm. Seconded by Selectman Freel. A roll call vote was taken with Selectman Dargie yes, Selectman Dudziak yes, Selectman Labonte yes, Selectman Freel yes, and Chairman Daniels yes. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

Gary Daniels, Chairman

Paul Dargie, Member

Chris Labonte, Vice-Chairman

David Freel, Member

Laura Dudziak, Member