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**TOWN OF ASHLAND
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
June 21, 2021**

Chair Badger opened the meeting with Roll Call.

Members present: Ann Barney, Alan Cilley, Andy Fitch, Bob Letourneau, and Eli Badger

Others Present: Town Manager Fred Welch, David Ruell, Mardean Badger, Police Chief Ulwick, DPW Director Craig Moore, Tax Collector/Town Clerk Patsy Tucker, and Jeanette Stewart. No one joined the meeting electronically.

Chair Badger stated that there was no minute taker for this evening's meeting and asked for the Board members to help with taking notes to be compiled.

The Board accepted the minutes as presented. Motion made by Ann Barney and seconded by Alan Cilley. Vote: 5 – 0.

New Business

1. The BOS unanimously (5 – 0) approved a motion to approve the 4th of July Committee's request to use North Ashland Road for a 5K Road Race on July 4.
2. The BOS unanimously (5 – 0) approved the upgrade of the Town's Office Phone system.
3. The Board unanimously (5 – 0) approved a Vendor Permit for the Ashland Community Church to hold a BBQ at the L.W. Packard Field.
4. The BOS approved the expenditure of \$28,000 (estimated cost) for maintenance to be done at the Ashland Electric Department Substation. The maintenance had been discussed at a previous meeting.
5. Chief of Police Ulwick asked the BOS to reconsider its decision to move the Utility Finance Clerks back to the 6 Collins Street location. Chief Ulwick explained the deficiencies of the current location and explained that a proposal was being prepared for renovating the space in the Utility Building for relocation of the Police Department. The BOS considered the Chief's request but decided to continue with moving the Utility Finance personnel back to the Utility Office at 6 Collins Street.
6. TM Welch informed the BOS about the Federal/State Emergency Relief & Recovery Funds and stated that he would work on a proposal for use of the funds. The amount available this year is approximately \$100,000.
7. The BOS granted a Raffle Permit request from David Ruell for the Ashland Historical Society.
8. The Board voted to sign an Intent to Cut Form at Ms. Tucker's request.
9. The Board agreed by consensus to not utilize the form PA-28 Taxpayer Inventory Form.

Old Business

1. There is no update on the cost to fix the Fire Station's foundation issue.
2. New Electric Meters: TM Welch updated the BOS about the status of obtaining meters for remote reading. TM Welch stated that the purchase of meters was on hold until a suitable Superintendent was hired for the Electric Department.

1 **Selectboard Items**

2 The Board read a proclamation honoring Ashland resident Matthew Jolin's award as the winner
3 of the 2021 Congressional Art Competition in New Hampshire's 2nd Congressional District for his
4 digital illustration *Adulations of Aberrant Green*.

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6 **Public**

7 Jeanette Stewart requested a copy of the Town's Personnel Policy through RSA 91-A. Ms.
8 Stewart stated that she was requesting the Policy because members of the Budget Committee
9 were asking questions. TM Welch stated that the Budget Committee has no jurisdiction over
10 personnel management issues. Fred Welch informed Ms. Stewart that a personal request for the
11 policy would require a per page payment of \$1.00.

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13 **Non-Public Session**

14 The Board voted to go into non-public session citing RSA 91-A:3 (a), (b) and (c).
15 Roll Call: Ann Barney – yes, Alan Cilley – yes, Andy Fitch – yes, Bob Letourneau – yes, and Eli
16 Badger – yes.

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18 The Board came out of the Non-Public Session and sealed the minutes. Roll Call: Ann Barney –
19 yes, Alan Cilley – yes, Andy Fitch – yes, Bob Letourneau – yes, and Eli Badger – yes.

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21 The Board adjourned.
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