APPROVED

ANDOVER SELECT BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

October 26, 2022

Members Present: Michelle Dudek, Chair; James Delaney, and Andy Guptill

Also present for duration of appropriate item: Elita Reed, Finance Manager; Donna Duclos, Budget Committee Chair; Nancy Walsh-Robart, Conservation Commission; Jacob Gilman; Susan Chase, Andover Hub; Doug Phelps, Fourth of July Committee; Joe Mahoney, Police Department; Andrew Kellar, NH Solar Garden; Jake Otis, EMS; James Reed and Beth Frost, Cemetery Committee; and Lisa Meier, Secretary

Dudek opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. and did roll call.

New Business – Solar PILOT ( Payment in Lieu of Taxes )

Keller advised they had received approval from the Andover Zoning Board of Adjustment and Site Plan Review from Andover Planning Board. They are working with New Hampshire Electric Coop to physically connect to their lines. The State has indicated an Alteration of Terrain Permit is needed and has been submitted. The question being, how do they get taxed. Documents were sent as to how the State deals with it. Minimal services will be required. If the board likes the PILOT, a public hearing will be necessary. PILOT is specific to renewable energy program. A value is placed on the panels and they are taxed as normal. Guptill asked if they would be willing to amend the agreement to allow for escalation / inflation and the response was yes. Gilman asked if the board has looked at the RSA and other options for the best interest of the town and the response was yes. Gilman asked if they had looked at what the property would be assessed at Keller stated he would send comparable assessments from other towns. Keller also stated that the land currently has minimal value and the RSA gives the board the framework to make a determination. Keller also advised he will share letters from independent assessors with the board.

New Business - Budgets

The board reviewed budgets with the Police Department, the Forest Fire Warden, Cemetery Committee, Conservation Commission, 4th of July Committee, EMS, The Hub and the town budget.

Perambulation

Dudek advised she will be walking the town border with bordering towns of Salisbury and Franklin on October 27, 2022. This is supposed to be done every seven years.

Lakes Region Planning Commission

Duclos advised that Andover does not currently have a representative to the Commission. Delaney made a motion to appoint Duclos as the town’s representative. Guptill seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously in favor of appointing Duclos to the position.

Budget Committee

The Committee currently has a vacant position available. Guptill made a motion to appoint James Reed. Delaney seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously in favor of appointing Reed to the position.

Guptill made a motion to enter into non-public session per RSA 91A:3II Part B at 7:30 p.m. Delaney seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously in favor of entering into non-public session.

Guptill made a motion to enter back into public session at 7:42 p.m. Delaney seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously in favor of entering back into public session.

There being no further discussion, Delaney made a motion at 7:45 p.m. to adjourn. Guptill seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously via roll-call vote to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Meier

Secretary