#### TOWN OF SEABROOK

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

MARCH 1, 2021

Present: Theresa A. Kyle

10:00AM

Ella M. Brown Aboul B. Khan William Manzi

Mrs. Kyle opened the meeting at 10:05AM.

The board wished Mr. Khan a very Happy Birthday!

#### MONTHLY MEETING - POLICE CHIEF

Chief Walker was present and briefly went through his report (see attached). He discussed the warrant articles for the ballot.

#### TRANSFER STATION

Mr. Manzi said he would propose they open the transfer station on Friday's, and it is recommended by the DPW manager. Brown asked why it couldn't be open full time. Mr. Manzi said it would be open four days and they are working to fill a few positions that are open due to retirements in order to fill the vacancies. The goal is to open five days as soon as they are fully staffed.

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle

To approve opening the

Second: Ella M. Brown

transfer station on

Unanimous

Friday's.

#### PREVIOUS MINUTES - NOVEMBER 24 PUBLIC

MOTION: Ella M. Brown

To adopt the minutes of

Second: Theresa A. Kyle

11/24 public.

Unanimous

#### WATER SERVICE APPLICATION

Kristen Gillespie - 534 Manchester Street - \$50

MOTION:

Theresa A. Kyle To approve and sign the

Second:

Ella M. Brown

water application.

Unanimous

#### SEWER SERVICE APPLICATION

William McClellan - 219-2 South Main Street - \$800

MOTION: Ella M. Brown

To approve and sign the sewer application.

Second:

Theresa A. Kyle

Unanimous

#### 4 ELDERLY EXEMPTIONS

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle To approve and sign all Second: Ella M. Brown elderly exemptions.

elderly exemptions.

Unanimous

#### VETERAN EXEMPTION

Albert Gagnon Jr. - 6 Blueberry Lane

MOTION: Ella M. Brown To approve and significant Theresa A. Kyle veteran exemption. To approve and sign the

Unanimous

#### FUNDING MASTER PLAN

Mr. Manzi said this is a request from the planning board and is required by statute to fund the master plan every ten years. There was discussion on the master plan and where the money will come from.

To approve \$10K as seed money for the min MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle Second: Ella M. Brown Unanimous board as requested for

the master plan.

#### REQUEST FROM CAUCELLA COMPANY

Mrs. Kyle said they are requesting support from Seabrook to put a landfill in another town. Mr. Manzi said they do work with the sewer department and looking for support, but he agrees with Mrs. Kyle to not support. He said as a community they should not be taking apposition on a landfill for another town.

#### BEACH PARKING

Mr. Manzi said it is time for discussion on what the options will look like for the beach this summer. He said they could hold a meeting to allow for input from the residents and invite the beach precinct members. Mr. Manzi said they may like some of what was put forward last year or they may want to go back to the previous years policy or even a combination of both. Mr. Khan suggested looking at holding the meeting in April, but Mrs. Brown feels the sooner the better. Mrs. Kyle said the March 15 meeting is fine with her.

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle Second: Ella M. Brown

Unanimous

To instruct the town manager to send invites to beach precinct and to notify the public of this meeting on March 15 Mrs. Brown said she wishes everyone luck at the election as they really need to have these positions filled.

Mrs. Kyle urged voters to really consider the warrant articles for all departments.

The board said they have excellent employees and departments who do a tremendous job, and they really need the items to do their jobs.

Mr. Khan said he understands the children need to be educated but he wants the taxpayers to understand that half of the tax rate goes to the schools and county tax and the town gets less than half for the budget.

MOTION:

Theresa A. Kyle

To adjourn the meeting

Second: Ella M. Brown

Unanimous

Approved and endorsed

Date:

at 10:35AM.

Aboul B. Khan, Clerk

## TOWN OF SEABROOK BOARD OF SELECTMEN

## **AGENDA**

March 1, 2021

Open Meeting at 10:00 A.M.

CLICK ON ZOOM APP ON TABLET MEETING ID – 247-316-5861 PASSWORD - 4743311

TURN CELL PHONES TO VIBRATE OR OFF PLEASE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### **MEETINGS**

1.) Monthly Meeting – Police Chief

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1.) Question of approving previous minutes of November 24 public.
- 2.) Question of approving water service application for Kristen Gillespie 534 Manchester Street.
- 3.) Question of approving sewer service application for William McClellan 219-2 South Main Street.
- 4.) Question of approving 4 elderly exemptions.
- 5.) Question of approving veteran exemption for Albert Gagnon Jr. 6 Blueberry Lane.
- 6.) Question of funding for the master plan.
- 7.) Question of request for Caucella Company.
- 8.) Question of discussion of beach parking 2021 season.

### **QUESTIONS/COMMENTS**

Board of Selectmen on any boards and/or committee meetings they have attended

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

# Seabrook Police Department



7 Liberty Lane, P.O. Box 456 Seabrook, NH 03874 Phone: (603) 474-5200 Fax: (603) 474-7242 Brett J. Walker Chief of Police

Kevin M. Gelineau Deputy Chief of Police

## March 1, 2021 December (partial), January, February Report to Selectmen

- The Chief attended multiple events related to the budgetary process to include the deliberative session and a Zoom meeting for further explanation of warrant articles in preparation for the March 9<sup>th</sup> Town Meeting. The police department requests that you vote yes on Article 16 which is a request to raise \$35,000.00 for our Capital Equipment Fund which will grow until 2025 when we replace equipment such as Tasers, firearms, protective vests, and digital equipment in the cruisers.
- Several ranking officers attended a virtual domestic violence training.
- Officers Mounsey and Goehle accepted a donation of PPE from Ocean State Job Lots. This is their second large donation of PPE and we greatly appreciate their support.
- We utilized the Seacoast Emergency Response Team to arrest an individual for violating a protective order. Participation in this regional SWAT team continues to be important in maintaining the safety of our residents.
- We are continuing the hiring process to fill a fourth full-time dispatch position. This would put us at full staff in dispatch.
- Officer Houldsworth and K9 Henry completed their patrol and narcotics certifications.
- Chief Walker, Deputy Chief Gelineau, and Lieutenant Allen participated in a Zoom meeting relative to scheduling of the radio replacement project approved by voters in March 2020.
- Officers Goehle and Lawton continue their field training and Officer Lawton also participates in the 184<sup>th</sup> NH Police Academy for certification as a full-time officer in NH.
- Monday March 1<sup>st</sup> we will be swearing in two new Seabrook officers. Officer Kassandra Storms comes to us from the Raymond Police Department with more than three years as a full-time police officer. She also has experience working in corrections and is a part-time officer with the South Hampton PD. Officer Dev Atma Khalsa comes to us from the Dover Police Department with more than fifteen years as a full-time police officer. He has a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice Administration, has served as a Field Training Officer, and is a former member of the NH Attorney General's Drug Task Force. We are excited to have Officers Khalsa and Storms joining the Seabrook PD family.
  - The addition of these two officers gives us 27 full-time police officers.
  - We continue our hiring process to fill the two additional patrol positions approved by the voters in March 2020 which became effective December 1st, 2020.

#### **Regular activities**

- Attended meetings and conference calls related to the COVID-19/coronavirus updates and related issues.
- Attended a meeting for the Seacoast Emergency Response Team (SERT)
- Attended a meeting for the Rockingham County Chiefs of Police.

Drug Overdose Statistics through February 24, 2021 are as follows:

2020 YTD OVERDOSES – 37 2020 YTD OVERDOSE DEATHS – 5 confirmed, possibly a 6<sup>th</sup>

2021 YTD OVERDOSES – 4 2021 YTD OVERDOSE DEATHS – 0

We continue to use our social media accounts on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram (@SeabrookNHPD) to connect with the public. This has proved to be an effective means of providing information to and interacting with the public. The Seabrookpd.com website has a Twitter feed at the bottom for people who do not utilize social media.

While we continue to limit our public interactions in order to maintain a healthy staff we look forward to resuming our regular Coffee with a Cop program as well as our other public outreach events as a means of connecting with residents. We appreciate the community support over the past year.

Despite the unprecedented challenges this year, Seabrook Police staff members continue to provide the community with a high level of service on a daily basis to include our continued participation in numerous drug and opioid reduction initiatives to combat the sale and distribution of illegal drugs in Seabrook and surrounding areas.

We are still hiring for full-time police officers and a full-time dispatcher. Anyone wishing to pursue a career in law enforcement with the Seabrook Police Department can apply at PoliceApp.com.

Respectfully submitted,

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Brett Walker Chief of Police