



# THE TOWN OF LIMINGTON

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## SELECT BOARD MEETING JANUARY 27, 2022

**Meeting Called to Order at 7:03 pm by Dennis Doughty.**

**Approval of Meeting Minutes** for January 13, 2022. No Meeting January 20, 2022 due to lack of quorum.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes for January 13, 2022 made by Jonathan Kinney, seconded by Stanley Hackett, unanimous approval.

**Approval of Warrant #03**

Appropriations:	\$307,127.13
Payroll:	\$14,055.29
Total:	\$321,182.42

Motion to approve Warrant #03 made by Jonathan Kinney, seconded by Stanley Hackett, unanimous approval.

**Approval of Warrant #04**

Appropriations:	\$83,645.49
Payroll:	\$19,801.11
Total:	\$89,434.16

Motion to approve Warrant #04 made by Jonathan Kinney, seconded by Stanley Hackett, unanimous approval.

**Purchase Order Requests:**

**PWD:**

A request to pay Grainger for a confined space fan and 25 feet of ductwork for ventilation while working indoors on equipment: \$849.42

A request to pay Matheson TriGas for Argon CO2 mix: \$67.78.

A request to pay Freightliner of Maine for an ignition switch for Truck #11: \$9.65.

A request to pay Nortrax/United Construction and Forestry for new brake system for Loader: \$1,631.21.

A request to pay STS Operating/The Hope Group for additional Loader hoses and seals: \$661.51.

A request to pay Eastern Salt for bulk salt: \$14,926.30.

A request to pay Steep Falls Building Supply to refill the 20 pound propane tank: \$64.63.

A request to pay Kimball Midwest/The Maintenance Connection for washer, shackles, screws, cotter pins, nuts for repairs: \$418.66.

A request to pay Steve's Auto Glass for a windshield for Truck #11: \$350.00.

Motion to approve the PWD POs made by Dennis Doughty, seconded by Jonathan Kinney, unanimous approval.

**FIRE/EMS:**

A request to pay Amazon for ink for the chief's printer: \$81.96.

A request to pay Portland Plastic Pipe for piping to repair the Dole's Ridge dry hydrant: \$548.96.

Motion to approve the PWD POs made by Dennis Doughty, seconded by Jonathan Kinney, unanimous approval.

**CEO:**

A request to pay the Treasurer of State DEP 15% plumbing permits Feb 2021-May 2021: \$105.00.

A request to pay Treasurer of State 25% plumbing permits Feb 2021-May 2021: \$1,107.50.

Motion to approve the PWD POs made by Dennis Doughty, seconded by Jonathan Kinney, unanimous approval

**PLANNING BOARD:**

A request to reimburse Joyce Foley for printer cartridges: \$248.66.

Motion to approve the PWD POs made by Dennis Doughty, seconded by Jonathan Kinney, unanimous approval.

**Old & New Business:**

**Vote:** Approve the Old Town Hall revised Policies and Fees.

Motion made by Denis Doughty to approve the revised Policies and Fees, seconded by Stanley Hackett, unanimous approval.

**Motion to Approve new accounting and assessing software contract with Trio Systems for the Town of Limington. This upgrade is covered 100% by the ARPA Funds.**

Motion made by Denis Doughty to the Trio software upgrade, seconded by Stanley Hackett, unanimous approval.

**Weekly Update on Select Board activities:**

Worked on budget and referendum questions.

Worked on several GA Accounts

Met with PWD about the sand shed, and the depletion of sand for the public. PWD stated that more sand has been removed by the public than the department has seen on the roads this winter to date. Due to concerns about the amounts being removed, the gates to PWD will be locked during off hours. The gates will be open on Thursday evening during the Select Board meeting.

The Select Board has renewed the swim permit for MMDY.

The Select Board spent some time with the PW Director learning about his iWorq software for inventory and expense tracking.

**Informational Bulletin:**

**The Town Offices and the Transfer Station will closed on Saturday January 29, 2022 due to weather.**

Every home in the U.S.A. is eligible to order 4 free at home Covid-19 tests. They can be ordered at [COVIDtests.gov](https://www.COVIDtests.gov)

Horne Pond Ice Fishing Derby has been **rescheduled to February 12, 2022.**

**Transfer Station hours** are Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Wednesday 12-4 p.m. Recyclable materials go in the compactor at the Transfer Station. Transfer Station stickers are available at the Town Office. **A Transfer Station sticker must be attached to your vehicle windshield for the disposal of ALL items.**

**General Assistance Office** is open on Tuesdays from 3-5 p.m. Applications are available anytime from the Town Clerks office during their normal business hours. Applications must be filled out and accompanied with supporting documentation and must be signed.

**Planning Board** meets at the Municipal Complex on site the first and third Monday evenings at 7pm.

**The Financial Advisory Committee** meets the second Tuesday of the month at 7 pm.

**MMDY Oversight Committee** holds their meetings the second Thursday of the month after the Select Board Meeting.

**The Old Town Hall Committee** meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7 pm.

**We are looking for volunteers for the 2022 Parade Committee.**

#### **Meeting Open to Public:**

Sherry Beety OTH committee:

Clarifying the error on the meeting notes from 10/24/2021 regarding the amount the OTH raised at the bake sale (notes have been corrected to reflect).

OTH Fee Schedule: \$100/rental fee, \$100 security deposit for Town of Limington Residents, \$150/rental fee and \$100/security deposit for nonresidents.

Grants: Narragansett foundation grants, are asking for committed funds Sherry wanted to clarify the funds have not been voted on yet so they could ask for additional funds if they want? What is the time limit on the Article for matching funds (Stanley Hackett, 1 year)

Stanley Hackett discussed the maintenance issues facing the OTH as it has been maintained but has had no repairs in the last 16 years. He spoke about the Insurance and engineers report showing that the OTH Committee has a plan they are working toward for renovations, and he thanks the committee for all their hard work.

Stanley also clarified for Bonnie Lord Laughlin that the OTH article will be voted on at the Annual town meeting.

Daryl Hubbard: Recycling: Why do people who recycle need a Transfer Station sticker at the cost of \$20? Asked if the cost of recycling is still less than curbside pick up.

Dennis Doughty replied, that yes it is less than curbside, however, we still have to pay to haul the recycling. Emil Braley asked if the townspeople can use the silver bullet at the school and Dennis Doughty replied that it would not be encouraged due to issues with nonrecyclables being put in. Bonnie Lord Laughlin requested that the two pages about recycling be put back in the town report: what is accepted at the Transfer Station, and what EcoMaine takes.

### **Planning Board Referendum Public Hearing:**

**ARTICLE 6:** Shall an Ordinance entitled 2022 Amendments to the Towns Zoning Ordinance Article 12 Extractive Industry be enacted?

**Motion to remand Article 6 back to the Planning Board for vote in June made by Dennis Doughty and seconded by Stanley Hackett, approval unanimous.**

Joyce Foley stated she would like better communication between the boards as she was not notified of the meeting and saw it on the Select board meeting the previous week (1/13/2022) and that could have prevented this from having to be remanded back to the Planning Board.

Dennis Doughty states that the Select board thought this would prevent opposition by pushing it through.

Bonnie Lord Laughlin asked if this will be going back on the ballot in June (see above in motion). Can it be amended for June?

Stanley Hackett said as stated it can be reviewed and on the June ballot, perhaps having it reviewed by MMA.

Bonnie Lord Laughlin pointed out that no one has seen these referendum questions.

Rebuttal was made by the Select board that this is just a public hearing, and they read out the questions.

**ARTICLE 3:** Shall the Town vote to repeal Limington Growth Ordinance?

Joyce Foley: Growth ordinance is currently 25 building permits per year. A No vote will leave the ordinance as is, a yes vote will repeal the ordinance. If the ordinance is repealed the town would have to review and update the Comprehensive Plan, which should be done every 10 years. Stanley Hackett pointed out that is the permit number changes, the town would have to ensure that low income housing is included as a percentage of permits issued. Bonnie Lord Laughlin questions why the number of permits is not stated in the article? Joyce Foley suggested that any citizen can find out the number of permits with a phone call, and encourages people to be involved. Howard Allen asked if the wording of the article can still be changed or modified to add the explanation “which limits the number of building permits issued.” Stanley Hackett said that the voting booths will have copies of the changes to the articles, and definitions. Joyce asked if the deadline for changing the wording has passed, and if so, can the articles be legally withdrawn or changed. Stanley Hackett said the Town Clerk sets the date to be

committed to print, and that has not happened yet and when Joyce requested the date, it was stated as January 28, 2022. Patty Ramsdell said that the warrant was not yet attested (due to this hearing) and once it was the it is final.

**ARTICLE 4:** Shall an ordinance entitled 2022 Amendments to the Town’s Zoning Ordinance to Article 2, Definitions, Article 6, Administration, Article 7 Land Use Table, Article 11, Performance standards General and Article 12 Performance Standards Specific be enacted?

Bonnie Lord Laughlin asked what the changes are to the Zoning and Joyce Foley said they will be available in the booth to read and a copy will be available prior on the website or a the Town Office. Patty Ramsdell asked Stanley Hackett if he had changed the wording, Joyce Foley asked the article be read. Article was read, Stanley Hackett pointed out he had just grouped the articles into 3 so there would not be so many. Bonnie Lord Laughlin asked about the 3 referendum votes and when people might see the changes, and reconfirmed there will be no extraction industry vote. Dennis Doughty confirmed that the questions will be posted, and there will be not vote at this time on the extraction, that will be back in the Planning Boards hands.

**ARTICLE 5:** Shall an Ordinance entitled 2022 Amendments to the Town Subdivision Ordinance Article 4, Administrative Procedure, Article 6 Sketch Plan and on Site Inspection, Article 7 Review and Approval of Minor Subdivision, Article 9 Final Plan for a Major Subdivision, Article 9 Fire Protection& Public Safety, Article 10 Impact on Ground Water Quality or Quantity, Article 10 Street Design and Construction Standards be enacted?

Dennis Doughty went over the subdivision changes and Bonnie Lord Laughlin asked if these would be posted in advance and if so when and where. Patty Ramsdell repeated that they would be on the website and available at the Town Office, the first week of February.

Daryl Hubbard said he felt as if the Select Board went behind the Planning Board’s back to revise the questions and undermine the Planning Board. Stanley Hackett rebutted that the Select board does not want any article to be open to misinterpretation, so any rewording and remanding is strictly to clarify the article and be specific. Joyce Foley said it would have been helpful to the Planning Board if those changes were submitted to them so they could review them and ask questions or have them reviewed by an outside source.

Dennis Doughty made a motion to approve the 3 reaming referendum questions, Stanley Hackett seconded, approval unanimous.

**Motion to Adjourn at 8:22 pm by** Dennis Doughty, seconded by Stanley Hackett, unanimous approval.

Select Board, Town of Limington

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Dennis Doughty, Chair

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Jonathan Kinney

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Stanley Hackett