

Selectmen's Minutes
Town Hall, 2nd Floor Stage Conference Area, 30 Martin Street

October 5, 2020

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found on the town's website, at www.essexma.org. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to listen to and/or view the meeting may do so via Video Call (with the option to show yourself on video or not and with the option to use a phone to call in, for audio-only). No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so using the tools discussed below, despite best efforts, we will post on the town's website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

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<https://join.freeconferencecall.com/bzubricki> , and, if prompted, the on-line meeting ID is bzubricki. Depending on your device and software installed, you may be able to join directly, by web browser, or, you may have to download the application directly (you will be shown that choice when you go to the above link). You should be joined in mute mode. However, if that is not the case, please click on the audio icon to mute your microphone. You can choose to activate your camera to show yourself, or not. The camera should be off, by default, when you join.

If you do not have a digital device to join via the link above, you can also dial a telephone number and be directly connected to the meeting, via audio only. The call-in-only number is: (425) 436-6352 and the access code is 1729820.

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Present: Chairman Ruth R. Pereen, Selectman Peter D. Phippen, Selectman Guy D. Bradford, Selectmen's Assistant Pamela J. Witham, and Shellfish Constable William Knovak.

Also Present via Telephone Conferencing: Town Administrator Brendhan Zubricki, Host Community Agreement Advisory Committee Liaison Antonella Muniz, Tina Lane, and Shelly Bradbury.

Chairman Pereen called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. and asked anyone wishing to make a Public Comment to email their comments to Town Administrator Brendhan Zubricki: bzubricki@essexma.org. The comments will be read from time to time throughout the meeting.

Shellfish Constable William Knovak provided an update on the project to relocate oysters from Marblehead to parts of the Essex River. Relocation was to begin in October, but the oysters have not been growing as fast as anticipated and it has been decided to wait until November when they will hopefully be the size of silver dollars.

Constable Knovak also reported that the boat trailer had needed some repairs, which have been made. Mr. Knovak left the meeting.

In other business, a motion was made, seconded, and unanimously voted to approve the weekly warrant in the amount of \$160,887.09.

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously voted to approve the minutes for the Selectmen's September 28, 2020, Open Meeting.

Chairman Pereen entertained a motion to approve a written request for the removal of all interests held by Catherine Fraser and Margaret Hatfield in the leasehold for the property at 126 Conomo Point Road (Map 108, Lot 66) currently in the name of Catherine Fraser, Margaret Hatfield, Frank Hardy, and Linda Osburn. The motion was moved, seconded, and unanimously voted.

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously voted to countersign a Lease Addendum Tight Tank Notification for the property at 126 Conomo Point Road (Map 108, Lot 66).

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously voted to approve a building permit application for 187 Conomo Point Road (Map 108, Lot 70) to remove and replace rake boards, soffits, and shingles.

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously voted to approve and sign the November 3, 2020 Warrant for the 2020 State Election.

The Board was reminded that their next regular Board of Selectmen's meeting will take place on Monday, October 19, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. in the 2nd Floor Stage Conference Area of the Town Hall, 30 Martin Street.

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was made, seconded, and unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 p.m.

Documents used during this meeting include the following: None.

Prepared by: _____
Pamela J. Witham

Attested by: _____
Peter D. Phippen