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BOS Open  
Session Minutes of  
January 5, 2021

SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
Tuesday January 5, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.  
REMOTE TELECONFERENCE

Via Zoom: Chairman Mike O’Loughlin, Vice Chairman Kara Nyman, Members Larry Ryan, Mike Mullen, Rich Penney and Assistant Town Administrator Jen Constable.

1.Pledge of Allegiance

2.Community Announcements –

-Rockland Healthcare Worker – Ms. Constable thanked all Rockland’s Healthcare workers for their dedication and hard work through out the past 10 months.

-Nomination Papers are available through the Town Clerk’s office, by appointment only, beginning Wednesday January 6<sup>th</sup> with the last day to obtain papers Thursday February 18<sup>th</sup> and the last day to return papers, Monday February 22<sup>nd</sup> and Town Elections Saturday April 10<sup>th</sup>.

-Rockland Firefighters to be recognized for Bravery through the “Massachusetts 2020 Firefighter of the Year” awards program: Richard Furlong, Sr. (retired), Captain Jason Fricker and Firefighter Mike Tracy, with a ceremony being held at a later date.

3.Minutes – Open Session Minutes of December 15, 2020

MOTION to approve Open Session Minutes of December 15, 2020 by Mr. Mullen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Penney. Roll Call Vote. Unanimous approval.

4.New Business

-Authorize Snow and Ice Deficit Spending (per M.G.L. c.44, §31 D)

MOTION to authorize Snow and Ice Deficit Spending as presented by Mr. Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Penney. Roll Call Vote. Unanimous approval.

-2021 Selectmen Meeting Schedule –The 2021 BOS Meeting Schedule was presented to the Board.

MOTION to approve the 2021 BOS Meeting Schedule, as presented, by Mr. Mullin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Ryan. Roll Call Vote. Unanimous approval.

Other New Business Not Reasonably Anticipated – none

5. Old Business-

-FY22 Budget- Ms. Constable had no budget updates to report.

-COVID-19 Assistance

CPA Housing Assistance Program Implementation Update – Ms. Constable stated the Town is expected to implement the CPA Housing Assistance Program next week with approximately \$70,000 to disburse as a one-time supplement to households.

CDBG-CV Grant Implementation Update -Ms. Constable reminded the Board this grant program is for micro-enterprise assistance and public social services. A lottery has been held for enterprise assistance for small businesses with seven Rockland businesses applying and the public social services will provide meals to seniors and Veterans starting this month. Unfortunately, the HUD administrative process has been slow. Ms. Constable thanked all the Departments that have helped with this program.

Other Old Business Not Reasonably Anticipated – none

6. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE

-COVID update - Rockland remains in the “red”

-State tiered system for vaccinations will be followed – RFD and RPD will be first to receive

-Senior Center and Veterans office closed until Friday 1/8/21 – “Meals on Wheels” will continue

-Rockland received a Community Development Block Grant for \$729,000 and will continue the rehabilitation program – thanks to Community Opportunities Group

7. SELECTMAN’S COMMENTS

Mr. Mullen-Encourages resident to get involve in the Town


Mr. Penney – No comments

Mr. Ryan-Condolences to the families of Jimmy Sawaya, Gerry DeMeo and Joe Angie  
-Thanked the Town Hall staff

Ms. Nyman- No comments

Mr. O’Loughlin -No comments

MOTION to adjourn by Mr. Mullen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Ryan, Roll Call Vote. Unanimous approval.



Minutes by Susan Ide, Executive Assistant

The listings of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Open Session Minutes approved by the BOS on 1/19//21