

**Town of Chester  
Board of Selectmen Meeting  
Thursday, February 13, 2020  
Municipal Complex  
Approved Minutes**

**I. Preliminaries**

Call the Meeting to Order

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

Chairman's Additions or Deletions

Approval of Minutes

Items for Signature

Warrant Article

Public Hearing: Budget and Warrant

A/V Equipment for Presentations

Roundtable

Potential Non-Public Sessions

Adjournment

*1.1 Call to Order*

Vice-Chairman Myette called this meeting of the Town of Chester Board of Selectmen to order at 7:00 PM and led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

*1.2 Roll Call*

Selectmen present:

Stephen Landau

Joseph Hagan

Steve D'Angelo (via speakerphone)

Vice-Chair Chuck Myette

Selectmen absent:

Chair Jeremy Owens

Staff:

Town Administrator Deb Doda

Members of the Public present at various times:

Budget Committee Members:

Mike Weider, Rhonda Lamphere, Kathy Guilmette, Ephraim Dobbins and Brennan Holmes

Nancy Myette

Penny Williams

Rich LeBlanc

Molly Qualters

BOS Admin. Asst. Janis Jalbert

Police Chief Aaron Berube

Fire Chief Greg Bolduc

Road Agent Mike Oleson

Chris Hadik

Lynn Rockwell

Town Clerk/Tax Collector Elizabeth Lufkin

### *1.3 Public Comment*

### *1.4 Chairman’s Additions or Deletions*

## **II. Old Business**

### *2.1 Approval of Minutes*

An approval sheet for the meeting minutes is in the signature folder which the Vice-Chairman urged the Selectmen to review and sign.

### *2.2 Items for Signature*

Vice-Chairman Myette urged the Selectmen to review and sign the items in the signature folder.

### *2.3 Warrant Article #29*

Vice-Chairman Myette read out loud the proposed wording for 2020-2021 Warrant Article #29 as it relates to the proposed fund for Great Hill Cemetery Maintenance edited on 2/13/2020 to add taxation of \$1 and remove wording about how to fund in the future. As this Article had been edited, voting for recommendations needed to be redone. All four Selectmen present voted to recommend this Article; as Chairman Owens is absent, he will be asked for his vote offline.

## **III. New Business**

### *3.1 Public Hearing: Budget and Warrant*

The Selectmen and members of the public attended the Budget Committee’s Public Hearing on the proposed 2020-2021 Budget and Warrant Articles.

3.2 A/V Equipment for Presentations

The Selectmen reviewed the proposals for purchase of audio-visual equipment put together by Briana Demers of PACT for new microphones and a projector to be used at Town Meeting and other presentations.

Vice-Chair Myette indicated the microphones with an estimated cost of \$549 may not be needed and questioned the need for wireless mics. Selectman Landau recommended researching prices further before next week’s meeting. Town Administrator Doda will check for projector availability from other town resources, and research prices with other vendors.

**IV. Roundtable**

Selectman Landau received environmental impact/decision information concerning the Exit 4A off 93 project which will connect with Tsienetto Road and Route 102. A copy will be available in the Selectmen’s Office. Selectman Landau recommended PACT make a copy for showing.

Vice-Chairman Myette indicated he had a notice concerning expense and transportation impact figures.

Vice-Chairman Myette noted the Town Offices will be closed on February 17<sup>th</sup> for President’s Day. The following meetings are scheduled for February:

February 17<sup>th</sup> – Spring Hill Farm Advisory Committee – 7 PM

February 18<sup>th</sup> – Spring Hill Farm Trustees – 7 PM

February 18<sup>th</sup> – Zoning Board of Adjustment – 7 PM

February 19<sup>th</sup> – 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee

February 20<sup>th</sup> – Board of Selectmen’s Public Hearings – 7 PM

**V. Potential Non-Public Sessions 91A:3(II)(a)**

Vice-Chair Myette indicated he had three potential non-public sessions under public employees.

**Selectman Landau motioned to go into non-public session pursuant to 91A:3(II)(a) Public Employees. Selectman Hagan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Landau – aye, Hagan – aye, D’Angelo – aye, Myette – aye. With all in favor, the motion passed unanimously.**

The meeting room was closed at 9:01 PM.

The meeting room was reopened to the public at 9:38 PM.

**Selectman Landau motioned to seal the minutes of the first non-public session on Public Employees for an indefinite period; Selectman D’Angelo seconded the motion, with all in favor, the motion passed unanimously.**

140 ***Selectman Landau motioned to seal the minutes of the second non-public session on***  
142 ***Public Employees for a period of thirty (30) days; Selectman D'Angelo seconded the***  
***motion, with all in favor, the motion passed unanimously.***

144 ***Selectman Landau motioned to seal the minutes of the third non-public session on Public***  
146 ***Employees for a period of thirty (30) days; Vice-Chairman Myette seconded the motion,***  
***with all in favor, the motion passed unanimously.***

148 **VI. Adjournment**

150 ***Selectman Landau motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:39 PM. Selectman Hagan***  
***seconded the motion, with all in favor, the motion passed unanimously.***

152 Respectfully submitted,

154 Nancy J. Hoijer  
156 Recording Secretary