



TOWN OF MIDDLEBURY

Office of the Selectmen

AGENDA

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Monday, August 3, 2020 – 4:00 p.m.

REMOTE ATTENDANCE ONLY HELD CONCURRENTLY WITH ZOOM

Present: Edward B. St. John, First Selectman
Elaine M. Strobel, Selectman
Ralph J Barra, Selectman

Also Present: Attorney Robert Smith
Terry McAuliffe, Chairman – Economic Development
Barbara J. Whitaker, Recording Clerk
Linda Zukauskas, Reporter – Voices

Call to Order with Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order by the First Selectman with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of July 20, 2020 Meeting Minutes

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2020 meeting; SECONDED by Selectman Barra. Unanimous approval.

Discussion and Consideration

November 3, 2020 Referendum Charter Question

First Selectman St. John explained that the Board of Selectmen approved the final revisions to the Town Charter. First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to approve the following question for the November 3, 2020 ballot: *“Shall the proposed revisions to the Town of Middlebury Charter, as recommended by the Charter Revision Commission and approved by the Board of Selectmen on July 20, 2020 be approved?”* SECONDED by Selectman Strobel. Unanimous approval.

Public Works Director Recommendation – Loader Backhoe

First Selectman St. John explained that the Board of Selectmen gave permission to Dan Norton, Public Works Director to look into the purchase of a used backhoe loader. Mr. Norton’s recommendation to the Board of Selectmen is the purchase of a used 2014 CAT 420F, 4WD from the H.O. Penn Machinery Company in Newington, CT for \$65,000 based on the attached documentation.

First Selectman St John MOTIONED to authorize the Public Works Department to purchase a used 2014 CAT 420F, 4WD from the H.O. Penn Machinery Company in Newington, CT for \$65,000 (which includes a certified warranty); SECONDED by Selectman Barra. Unanimous approval.

Public Comments

Terry McAuliffe, Chairman of the Economic Development Commission requested that the Board of Selectman consider the Commission’s request to informally change the name of the Commission from the Economic & Industrial Development Commission to the Economic Development Commission. Pointing out that other Town boards have done the same in the past, Mr. McAuliffe explained that this change would be more consistent with what other economic development boards were practicing in the state of Connecticut.

Selectman Strobel MOTIONED that the name of the Economic & Industrial Development Commission be informally changed (not yet changed in the Town Charter) to the Economic Development Commission; SECONDED by First Selectman St. John. Unanimous approval.

There was also some discussion on branding of the Town's logo. The Board agreed to a discussion/review with the Economic Development Commission should the Town decide to make changes on the logo.

The First Selectman asked that the Board of Selectmen review House Bill 6004 that addresses use of force, transparency and demilitarization.

Adjournment

First Selectman St. John MOTIONED to ADJOURN the meeting, SECONDED by Selectman Barra. Unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Whitaker

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