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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
January 5, 2022**

Present: Norman M. Needleman, First Selectman
Stacia R. Libby, Selectman
Bruce M. Glowac, Selectman

Norman Needleman called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

First Selectman Needleman welcomed everyone to the Board of Selectmen in person and remote public access meeting via Zoom.

In attendance: First Selectman Norman M. Needleman, Selectman Stacia R. Libby, Selectman Bruce R. Glowac.

Others in attendance: Tracey Celentano and Kelly Sterner.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion was made by Stacia Libby to approve the agenda. Bruce Glowac seconded the motion. All in favor.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made by Bruce Glowac to approve the December 15, 2021 Meeting Minutes. Norman Needleman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Informational Items, Communications and Correspondence

Covid Self-Test Kits were distributed on Monday, and everyone did an excellent job. Essex Fire Engine Co. #1, the Essex Police, and Town Hall Staff helped with the distribution and the whole procedure went smoothly. Five hundred kits were given out in 2 hours. Selectman Glowac reported the information on the Town's social media and web site was very informational.

There was discussion on the winter season, Covid, and the Town having a contingency plan in place, Public Works, and snowplowing. The Selectmen discussed having a few more contractors in place as a contingency plan if all public works employees were out at the same time. First Selectman Needleman reported that Public Works Director Ryan Welch is putting into place a contingency plan in case of a worst-case scenario.

Public Announcements / Comment: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Appointments and Resignations Board and Commissions

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Daniel Lapman resigned from the Inland Wetlands Watercourse Commission. The Selectmen expressed thanks for his service.

Open Town Boards and Commission positions can be found at
https://www.essexct.gov/sites/g/files/vyhlif3116/f/uploads/boards_and_commissions_website_30.pdf

The application to join a Board and Commission can be found at:
https://www.essexct.gov/sites/g/files/vyhlif3116/f/file/file/application_to_volunteer_for_board_or_commission_fillable_4_13_18.pdf

Norman Needleman appointed John Planas as the Open Burning Official, which is a 4-year term.

Motion was made by Bruce Glowac to appoint Glenn Jacobsen to the Tree Committee. Stacia Libby seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved. Motion carried.

The following are Board and Commission openings:

- Conservation Commission – Alternate Member
- Conservation Commission – Regular Member
- Economic Development Commission – 2 Regular Members
- Inland Wetlands Commission – 1 Regular Member
- Park and Recreation Commission – 2 Alternate Members
- Park and Recreation Commission – 1 Regular Member
- Planning and Zoning Commission – 2 Regular Members
- Tree Committee – 2 Regular Members

American Rescue Plan Funds (ARPA): None

Schedule Public Hearing None

Set Town Meeting None

Public Comment / Announcements: None

SELECTMEN GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Motion was made by Bruce Glowac to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 p.m. Norman Needleman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Maria P. Lucarelli