

**TOWN OF KENNEBUNK**  
**SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2020 – 6:30 P.M.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

On Tuesday, June 9, 2020, at approximately 6:35 p.m., L. Blake Baldwin, Chair of the Select Board for the Town of Kennebunk, called to order the Regular Meeting of the Select Board. Present were Select Board members L. Blake Baldwin, Edward Karytko, Christopher Cluff, William Wardr, Jr. and Shiloh Schulte. Select Board members Wayne Berry joined the meeting at 6:36 p.m. and Frank Paul joined at 7:29 p.m. **All members of the Select Board were participating via Zoom, with Baldwin being the only Select Board member physically at the Town Hall using Zoom.**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

At approximately 6:36 p.m., Select Board Member Wayne Berry joined the meeting.

- a. May 26, 2020 Regular Meeting [Please refer to supporting material \(PDF\)](#)
- b. June 3, 2020 Special Meeting [Please refer to supporting material \(PDF\)](#)

**A motion was made to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting of May 26, 2020 and for the Special Meeting of June 3, 2020.**

**MOVED: Karytko**

**SECONDED: Ward**

**VOTE: 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent (Paul). The motion passed.**

- c. Budget Meetings (Joint Meetings with the Budget Board)
  - January 30, 2020 Special Meeting [Please refer to supporting material \(PDF\)](#)
  - February 1, 2020 Special Meeting [Please refer to supporting material \(PDF\)](#)
  - February 4, 2020 Special Meeting [Please refer to supporting material \(PDF\)](#)
  - February 6, 2020 Special Meeting [Please refer to supporting material \(PDF\)](#)
  - February 8, 2020 Special Meeting [Please refer to supporting material \(PDF\)](#)
  - April 18, 2020 Special Meeting [Please refer to supporting material \(PDF\)](#)

**A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Budget Meetings of January 30, February 1, February 4, February 6, February 8, and April 18, all of which were held in 2020.**

**MOVED: Karytko**

**SECONDED: Schulte**

**VOTE: 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent (Paul). The motion passed.**

- 3. ITEMS TO BE SIGNED**
- 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS**
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

John Costin, of Dane Street, Kennebunk, spoke about the Town Manager's contract and the Freedom of Access Act requests that he made. He argued that the Town Manager's compensation should he be elected to the Legislature was misrepresented to the public. He also claimed that at least several members of the

Select Board and other members sitting at the table lied, because they said that the Town Manager's contract had his salary in offset against his wages; but it was not intended to have been, he said.

Grace Cain, from the public, spoke, reading a letter she drafted, saying she will email it to the board. It spoke about a rally in Town in which people spoke about issues of equity, inclusion and diversity in Town. She also said she is asking the Board to consider opening their meetings with a land acknowledgement (recognizing the peoples here before Europeans.)

## 6. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

### a. Accept the Following Donation:

- \$600.00 from Duffy's Tavern & Grill from their May Day Breakfast. These funds were donated to the Social Services office to assist our residents in need during this health crisis.

**A motion was made to accept the donation and send a letter thanking Duffy's Tavern and Grill for their generous donation.**

**MOVED: Karytko**

**SECONDED: Ward**

**VOTE: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention (Cluff, as is an officer of this corporation), 1 absent (Paul). The motion passed.**

### b. Hear an Update from the Town Manager regarding COVID-19 and the Town's Preparedness Plans:

- Update on the Community Reengagement Task Force
  - Beaches are open for conventional use (sitting/sunbathing)
  - Leashes for dogs shall not be longer than 6' in length. Retractable style leashes are prohibited.
  - Tennis courts are open. Play shall follow USTA COVID-19 guidelines.
  - Opening of the dog park, Waterhouse Center pickleball courts and Town playgrounds are under review at this time to determine a "Best Practices" approach to reopening these sites.
- COVID-19 Community Resources in the Kennebunks – The Towns of Kennebunk, Kennebunkport and Arundel have partnered with Community Outreach Services (COS) to assist residents during this time. [View the Resources available \(PDF\)](#) and please reach out if you need assistance.

The Town Manager spoke about the items mentioned. He did note that Parsons Beach remains closed at this time.

Town Engineer Christopher Osterrieder spoke about work engaged in with businesspeople regarding outdoor seating now being permitted at places of business. He said that so far they haven't found anything to be problematic with the process they have put in place.

Karytko asked how far along they are with the trees on Parsons Beach Road. In response to that, Pardue said he thinks they had just a small handful of trees remaining to be planted.

Karytko asked if the trees are looking good. To that, Pardue said they are looking very good and added that Tim and Louise Spang were extremely complimentary of how the trees are coming out and the good work of Public Services.

Theresa Willette, from the public, said she wrote a letter earlier this week regarding leashes on the beach. Baldwin then said they have that item coming up later in the meeting and that her comments will be more relevant then.

7. TIME SENSITIVE BUSINESS & STAFF PRESENTATIONS

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Hear an Update on the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory by the Spring 2020 Climate Change Class of The New School** – This is the third presentation on this project that is scheduled to be completed this summer. Difficulties in obtaining the raw data have been incurred especially with the COVID-19 outbreak.

Jaden, Jethro and Chloe, from The New School's Climate Change class, gave this evening's presentation on the above-noted topic. First to speak was Jethro Cheikin. Cheikin said that COVID-19 has had positive changes on the environment. He then went over some data in support of this.

Jayden Boyd spoke next, going over emissions data in Town.

Chloe Brown spoke next, first going over a vehicle log proposal for Town entities. She spoke about interviews they conducted with heads of departments. She said this Spring they spoke with Bryan Laverriere, Director of Public Services, and Fire Chief Jeffrey Rowe, and she reported on their findings during their interview with Laverriere. Boyd spoke about their interview with Rowe and the ways of making items under their (Laverriere and Rowe) control more energy efficient.

Cheikin mentioned one recommendation: that the Town of Kennebunk look to budget for and hire a Sustainability Coordinator.

Ward said he was curious about the comment that a vehicle that runs on diesel would have a less environmental impact than those run by gasoline, for the ambulances. To that, Ally Muir, the science teacher at The New School, said that is what they learned from their interview with Fire Chief Rowe and what Clear Path ICLEI shows when they input equal amounts of both fuels into the program. Ward made another comment and Muir responded by saying they were comparing vehicle miles traveled.

Karytko said it is impressive and very educational to see the decline in air pollution with COVID-19. He said too that such comes with an economic consequence which we're all going through right now. He said it is a very tricky problem: how do you keep the economy going but yet reduce the environmental impact?

Albert Kolf, from the public, asked if there is an opportunity for an electric ambulance. To that, Muir said she does not have a well-researched answer to that question at this moment. She said she believes there are some such ambulances in existence.

Dick Morin, from the public, spoke, thanking The New School students for the work that they've done, to include their genuine interest in the mission that they've undertaken.

Baldwin thanked Muir's leadership of this group, saying it is much appreciated.

## 9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Summer Fellow** – Introduce Aleksander Gulkewicz, a summer Fellow through a program sponsored by the University of New Hampshire.

Alek is a 2020 graduate of Lehigh University, having majored in environmental engineering. He is currently enrolled in a Master's program at Lehigh where he is pursuing environmental policy. Alek has worked on research projects as diverse as renewable energy & sustainability for The GREEN Program in Reykjavik, Iceland, to interning for the Bermuda Institute of Ocean Studies in St. George's, Bermuda where he worked on an autonomous underwater glider project. Alek serves as the Youth Representative for the World Corrosion Organization to the United Nations.

Alek began his work with Kennebunk on June 1<sup>st</sup> and will be working on a virtual basis through mid-August. Normally these Fellows are on site, living in the community and interacting on a daily basis with their mentor (in this case two members of the Energy Efficiency Advisory Committee) and meeting with staff and community residents. Due to COVID-19, UNH has developed a virtual program designed to be productive and successful for all.

Energy Efficiency Advisory Committee Chairperson Sharon Staz went over much of the above-noted information, introducing Gulkewicz. Then, Gulkewicz introduced himself, saying he was in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania speaking tonight via zoom. He said his main goal is to take the project The New School has been working on for the past three semesters and turn it into a working climate action plan for the Town. He said it is his hope, along with Staz's, that they can take the climate action plan he is making, provide recommendations to the Town and also use it for a template for all the other seacoast towns and communities in Maine.

Baldwin then told Gulkewicz that it's a pleasure to meet him.

Answering a question from Karytko, Gulkewicz said originally he's from a town called Schnecksville, Pennsylvania (near Bethlehem, Pennsylvania), saying he's been in Pennsylvania his entire life.

Ward asked Gulkewicz if he will be coming back on and talking with them into the summer as he gets further along on his project. To that, Gulkewicz said he hopes he has the opportunity to do so.

Pardue spoke, saying he and others spoke this morning with Gulkewicz.

Note: at approximately 7:29 p.m., Select Board Member Frank Paul joined the meeting.

Ward asked about a vehicle log noted by The New School. Staz responded to Ward.

Maggie Bartenhagen, who will serve as the lead mentor of Gulkewicz, spoke about how they don't have to shut down the economy to experience things such as a cleaner planet. She acknowledged that they can't have that by sacrificing their economy, that it is not an either or situation, saying she thinks it's both. To that, Karytko said if there's some way you could have emissions decrease from the tourism side, you'll be able to keep the economy strong and yet reduce the emissions.

- b. **Hear from the Economic Development Committee on the Advancement of a Small Business Micro-Loan Program** – The Economic Development Committee (EDC) has drafted the framework for a "Small Business Micro-Loan Program." The Loan Program is designed to support

small businesses with ongoing and extraordinary expenses incurred during the COVID-19 interruption in business. EDC Chair June Huston will present the details of the proposed program.

*[Please refer to supporting material – EDC Micro-Loan Program Proposal \(PDF\)](#)*

June Huston, Chair of the EDC, spoke about this agenda item, saying the EDC met and voted unanimously in favor of funding up to \$50,000 from the fiscal year 19-20 TIF Budget to be used toward micro-loans to help small businesses to adapt to the Governor's regulations and foster their continued operation. She went over some requirements. One additional thing she said is they believe these loans will be paid back.

Will Armitage, Executive Director of the Southern Maine Finance Agency, spoke, and referred to loan programs they manage. He acknowledged that there are risks inherent in doing a program like this but that there are also risks inherent in not doing a loan program, because of the challenges that many of these small businesses are experiencing right now.

Bob Fiore, Branch Manager of People's United Bank in Town and a member of EDC, spoke, saying some of the business people in Town have fallen through the cracks and also saying that the self-employment of many of them makes them not able to get the traditional benefits that other people can get. He is worried about what's going to happen. Fiore said it would be nice to see the Town support them with loans that could prevent them from going out of business and they might feel there's support in the community for themselves and their business. He said the PPP loans are very useful but only help people who had payrolls.

Huston said she cannot think of a more appropriate use of TIF monies, saying, for one thing, that the TIF funds are a direct result of the successes and growths of the businesses within the TIF Districts; she also said she thinks this can help them in their relationships with businesses.

Armitage said there are other resources that they will be able to utilize to match in conjunction with what is being proposed by the EDC.

Finance Director Joel Downs spoke about the legality of using TIF funds for this purpose. He said legally, you are in good standing there. Whether or not the funds are available is another matter all together, Downs said. He spoke of excess funds available. He said the question is "does the Select Board have the authority to spend those dollars?" He said the latitude for spending the dollars is quite broad. He did say, however, that he would still want to get a more definitive answer from, perhaps, their attorney at Jensen Baird Gardner & Henry.

Karytko asked Downs about funding sources, wondering how much was available given a certain scenario he brought up. Downs then responded to him, mentioning substantial money being available in certain TIF funds and then Karytko asked why, under those funding amounts, certain other things in Town are not getting done. Downs then offered a response.

Ward sought confirmation from Armitage that there is going to be good criteria in determining the eligibility of applicants, if this loan program goes through. Armitage responded to Ward, saying they would underwrite these loans to the criteria that the guidelines have established and would also use their normal credit review process. He elaborated.

Ward asked Armitage if he is considering newly started businesses or only trying to help those companies that currently exist. In response to Ward, Armitage said the program guidelines are, he believes, very specific to existing businesses; it is not intended for start-up businesses but he will defer to Huston on that.

Huston then responded and some discussion around this ensued.

Baldwin said that a member of the Budget Board, Sarah Sullivan, raised a conflict of interest issue for himself, Cluff and he believes for Berry, that they would technically qualify for these loans; he said he will avow that he will not apply for these loans. Cluff then said he has no intent to apply for receipt of these funds. Berry then said he has no intent to apply for a loan like this.

**A motion was made to allow Blake (Baldwin), Wayne (Berry) and Chris (Cluff) to be accepted into the conversation.**

**MOVED: Ward**

**SECONDED: Karytko**

**VOTE: 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstentions (Baldwin, Cluff, Berry). The motion passed.**

Cluff said he believes the Development Corporation has created a similar program. He said he'd like to see, before they jump on board with this, if there is a huge rush to that fund before they commit to providing TIF funds to another program. He said he is not entirely convinced that there is a dramatic need for this. He said he thinks there is an opportunity to look and see if there is a true need for this before they jump in with both feet with using taxpayer dollars for lending.

Paul said under the suggested program it is ten entities that could eat up the money, questioning the logic behind doing this on a first come first serve basis instead of really looking at who the neediest is. Armitage responded to Paul.

Discussion continued. Berry asked Armitage what the fee they would be charging to service these loans is. Armitage then said that they discussed that they would take a portion of the interest income off the loan. Discussion around this topic continued. Berry also asked a question regarding confidentiality and Armitage responded to him. Berry also asked if anyone has more information on a provision in the CARES Act which allows CARE money from the feds to be funneled to the Towns for grants for businesses. Armitage then said he is not aware of that, and he offered a further response regarding other funds.

Berry said he is not ready to just kick some money forward and say go ahead and do it; he wants to know a little bit more about what the other options are. He asked what they are going to work on between now and the second reading on this (to refine this loan program).

Schulte discussed his feelings regarding this program proposal. One point he mentioned is that this isn't a matter of bailing out businesses due to failures attributable to them but rather caused by something (COVID-19) like a sudden storm. He also brought up the revenue loss and the loss to the Town if these businesses fail.

Discussion continued.

Karytko asked why a business wouldn't go to Armitage or to a bank to borrow this money in order to carry them through. To that, Huston said if you go to a bank right now, they're going to look at your current income, saying these loans are going to look at the data from 6 months ago in what they predict you should be making a year from now. She said the banks aren't going to take the risk if you show no income. Karytko said when he first heard about this, he was a little bit uncomfortable about using taxpayer dollars for loans; he said that sort of rubs him a little bit the wrong way. He then discussed the original intent of TIF programs in general. He expressed worry about funds being taken from TIF funds and then loans not being repaid and then the Town not having the money to be able to do things that should be getting done.

Berry discussed TIF funds still available regardless of what happens with the roughly \$50,000 of unspent money. After Karytko responded to him, Berry suggested that perhaps it would be worthwhile for the Board or some portion thereof to meet in a workshop with the Subcommittee from the EDC, and maybe with Will Armitage sitting in if he has time, to go over some of the details and whether the terms can be reworked. He said they should hold that workshop in between now and June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

John Costin, of Dane Street, Kennebunk, recognized the EDC for doing “Exactly what they’re supposed to do.” He said their job is to support businesses and help businesses. He said he disagrees that this program is a good idea. One thing he said is that he thinks if businesses have exhausted every source of credit, including their personal assets, the chances that \$5,000 more is going to save them are very slim. Another comment from Costin is that he thinks it is fundamentally wrong to take funds approved by the voters for one purpose and put them to an entirely different purpose without their okay. He also said they are facing a debt crisis in this Town.

Dick Morin, from the public, commented on this agenda item. One thing he noted is the tougher terms of an agreement a business would likely face going to a bank as opposed to utilizing this suggested program broached tonight under this agenda item (this program would have a forbearance period at the front end of the loan, allowing a business to get back on their feet during that 6 month period). Morin also mentioned that Armitage is a skilled and experienced lender. He said let’s let the professionals do what they do well, and step back. He said this is a gesture by the community to give back tax dollars that the businesses themselves generated into those TIF Districts.

Marc Brunelle, from the public, who said he served on the Subcommittee, spoke. He said he wants to make sure that West Kennebunk and Lower Village are also in consideration, in addition to Main Street. He said this plan was put together with the taxpayer in mind.

Baldwin expressed his indecision with regard to this suggested program. He noted his banking background. Baldwin stated that with so many unknowns regarding who they could be lending to, given the present economy, the banker side of him would say no to the program being discussed tonight. He said the other side of him is how to help people; he said he deeply wants to find a way, if possible, to help the small businesses in Town. He stated that businesses are people too, saying that if a person fails, the Town’s general services group stands ready, willing and able to assist them but that it seems like they are drawing a very narrow distinction between that person who failed individually and someone who has failed in business but nonetheless is not very different from the person who finds they are short of money for fuel assistance or food or shelter. He also said the businesses are the ones who have created the value that has increased the TIF District funds. He said he thinks it would be useful for them to gather together in a workshop, between now and their next meeting, and see if they can overcome some of the obvious objections.

**A motion was made to move this matter to a second reading on June 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

**MOVED: Baldwin**

**SECONDED: Schulte**

**VOTE: 7 in favor, 0 opposed. The motion passed.**

- c. **Discuss Dogs on Beach from June 15<sup>th</sup> to Labor Day** – At a special meeting of the Select Board on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Board voted to require dogs on Kennebunk beaches to be leashed, eliminating the use of voice control as a form of managing a dog.

Per the Town ordinance, beginning June 15<sup>th</sup> to Labor Day, dogs are only allowed on Town beaches before 9:00 a.m. and after 5:00 p.m. During this timeframe, dogs are allowed off leash and managed through voice control. Given the challenges of COVID-19 and the Center for Disease Control guidelines pertaining to social/physical distancing, the Board will discuss possible changes to the way dogs are to be managed while on the Town beaches beginning June 15<sup>th</sup>.

Ward, Liaison to the Dog Committee, spoke first, mentioning one thing that came up through several conversations: potentially moving the dog off leash to perhaps 6:00 p.m. because 5:00 p.m. seems to be a tight squeeze for people who are still on the beach to be dealing with dogs that are not leashed.

Paul would like to see dogs on the beach to be leashed all the time. Paul said that between Saco and York there are no loose dogs on the beach allowed. He noted complaints he has received regarding loose dogs at the beach. He said they shouldn't give dogs better rights to enjoying the beach than they do their townspeople; he said he feels very strongly about that. He said he would go down to the beach as late as 6:30 p.m., 7:00 p.m. last summer and the beach was still packed then. He said voice command is a fallacy, as far as he's concerned.

Schulte said he feels it is important that in this meeting they focus on the adjustments they are going to make as a result of the COVID crisis. He said he thinks if they're going to make changes to Town ordinance on dogs for the long term that they would do that through the ordinance process they have in place. He said he is in favor of adjusting what they have temporarily for the summer related to dogs. He noted problems he has observed with dogs at the beach. Schulte also brought up the possibility of having a beach without dogs.

Karytko said he thinks they ought to think about why they voted to keep dogs on leash to begin with; it was because of COVID-19 and with a dog off leash, the social distancing was going to be a problem. Unless that has changed, Karytko said, he's not sure why they'd want to change their policy.

Berry said they received a lot of emails on this over the last couple days. He said he tends to agree that it is about how people control their dogs, and when there is an interaction between people COVID-19 can be passed along (interaction example: dog gets loose, runs to separate people, owner goes close to said people in order to control the dog). He said if they are going to loosen it up, that it should be split for morning for dogs and that's it.

Ward responded to a hypothetical brought up by Schulte regarding having no dogs on Mother's Beach (and allow them on another Town beach), saying these are elderly people who aren't going to walk all the way to Gooch's Beach to walk their dog. He made further comment.

**A motion was made to limit public comment on this agenda item only to three minutes.**

**MOVED: Baldwin**

**SECONDED: Cluff**

**VOTE: 6 in favor, 0 opposed, (Berry didn't vote). The motion passed.**

Many members of the public spoke about dogs on the beach.

Penny was in favor of dogs off leash, stating her dogs are under voice control.

Theresa Willette was in favor of dogs off leash, stating that before 9 a.m. and after 6 p.m. (for times to allow dogs off leash on Town beaches) is a really good compromise.



Nancy was in favor of dogs off leash, saying before 9 a.m. and after 6 p.m. is a wonderful compromise.

Kevin Wolff was in favor of dogs off leash, before 9 a.m. and after 6 p.m.

Robin, who has been a dog monitor, spoke, saying she hopes the Town will relax the rules. She said in the morning there are very few people on the beach. She said she thinks that is a really good time to relax the rule.

**A motion was made that we, as of June 15, go back to the Ordinance that we have currently (June 15 dogs off leash before 9 a.m.; no dogs on the beach between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.; dogs off leash from 5 p.m. until the following morning) with the exception that we're going to move the start time in the evening to 6 p.m.**

**MOVED: Baldwin**

**SECONDED: Ward**

**VOTE:**

Discussion continued.

Schulte wanted to allow dogs off leash from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m.. Then Baldwin said the motion is dogs off leash from 7 p.m. to 9 a.m. the following morning and then off the beach from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Berry asked if Baldwin referenced Labor Day in his motion or September 15<sup>th</sup>. To that, Baldwin said he referenced September 15<sup>th</sup>. Then Berry said the ordinance is Labor Day, he thinks. Then Baldwin said from June 15<sup>th</sup> through Labor Day; Baldwin said he would go for that amendment. Ward said he'll second that. Until 7 p.m. was said after that.

**An amendment to the above motion was made to allow dogs on the beach from June 15<sup>th</sup> to Labor Day from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. off leash, then after 5 p.m. on leash.**

**MOVED: Schulte**

**SECONDED: Berry**

**VOTE: 6 in favor, 1 opposed (Ward). The motion passed.**

Ward said if it is after 8 p.m., he still doesn't see the need to force leash.

Schulte said if social distancing requirements in the State were lifted he thinks they should revisit their decision and go back to the normal rules and if they wanted to change them they should go through the normal processes. To that, Baldwin said that wasn't what the conversation was about. He elaborated.

People being in close proximity to others while trying to get dogs under control was one thing Schulte mentioned to bring this in conjunction with social distancing concerns.

- d. **Take up the Annual Board Re-Appointments** – The board members up for re-appointment have terms expiring on June 30, 2020. These are Regular members (3-year terms) and Alternate members (1-year terms).

Below is a list showing members that:

- (1) **wish** to be re-appointed
- (2) **are not** seeking re-appointment

**1. The following members have stated they DO wish to be re-appointed:**

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	Regular (3-yr.) Alternate (1-yr.)	Number of meetings Jan. - Dec. 2019 (from minutes on file)	Number of meetings attended
Bicentennial Committee	Kathy Ostrander Roberts	Regular (3-yr.)	10	10
Bicentennial Committee	Elizabeth MacDonald	Regular (3-yr.)	10	9
Bicentennial Committee	Dana Pearson (appt. 3/12/19)	Regular (3-yr.)	7	6
Bicentennial Committee	Conrad Berdeen	Alternate (1-yr.)	10	7
Bicentennial Committee	David Middleton (appt. 2/25/19)	Alternate (1-yr.)	8	6
Board of Assmt. Review	Dudley Tyson (appt. 1/22/19)	Regular (3-yr.)	1	0 (excused absence)
Budget Board	Donald Burnham	Regular (3-yr.)	9	8
Budget Board	Deborah Beal	Regular (3-yr.)	9	8
Committee on Aging	Marti Hess-Pomber	Regular (3-yr.)	10	7
Committee on Aging	Danielle McPherson (appt. 1/2/20)	Regular (3-yr.)	n/a – appointed in 2020	
Community Garden Comm.	Leslie Lindgren	Regular (3-yr.)	9	9
Community Garden Comm.	Mary Liz Baker	Regular (3-yr.)	9	7
Community Garden Comm.	Sandra Tillman	Regular (3-yr.)	9	9
Community Garden Comm.	Richard Coots (non-resident)	Alternate (1-yr.)	9	9
Conservation Commission	Jennifer Shack	Regular (3-yr.)	21	21
Conservation Commission	Grace Cain	Regular (3-yr.)	21	20
Dog Advisory Committee	Alice Ferran	Regular (3-yr.)	3	2
Dog Advisory Committee	Linda Miller Cleary	Regular (3-yr.)	3	3
Economic Dev. Committee	Maureen Flaherty	Regular (3-yr.)	10	8
Economic Dev. Committee	Justin Young	Regular (3-yr.)	10	7
Economic Dev. Committee	Robert Fiore (appt. in 2020)	Alternate (1-yr.)	n/a – appointed in 2020	
Economic Dev. Committee	Stephen Sawyer (appt. in 2020)	Alternate (1-yr.)	n/a – appointed in 2020	
Energy Eff. Adv. Comm.	Anthony Dater	Regular (3-yr.)	11	11
Fair Hearing Authority	Brenda Robinson	Regular (3-yr.)	No meetings held in 2019	
Historic Pres. Comm.	Frances Smith	Regular (3-yr.)	14	14
Historic Pres. Comm.	Judee Anne Jandreau	Regular (3-yr.)	14	11
Kennebunk River Comm.	Jack Jensen	Regular (3-yr.)	4	4
Kennebunk River Comm.	Reinier Nieuwkerk	Alternate (1-yr.)	4	4
Lower Village Committee	Theresa Willette	Regular (3-yr.)	11	5
Lower Village Committee	Pat Foley	Regular (3-yr.)	11	10
Lower Village Committee	Nina Spencer	Regular (3-yr.)	11	10

Lower Village Committee	Patti Sass Perry (appt. 2/26/19)	Alternate (1-yr.)	9	8
Lower Village Committee	Alex Gramling (appt. 7/16/19)	Alternate (1-yr.)	5	3
Parks & Rec. Comm.	John Hackett	Regular (3-yr.)	No meetings held in 2019	
Planning Board	Richard Smith	Regular (3-yr.)	21	18
Planning Board	David Smith	Regular (3-yr.)	21	14
Planning Board	Janice Vance	Regular (3-yr.)	21	21
Planning Board	Edward Trainer	Alternate (1-yr.)	21	18
Planning Board	Stephanie Seiders	Alternate (1-yr.)	n/a	n/a
Site Plan Review Board	Gary Dugas	Regular (3-yr.)	2	2
Site Plan Review Board	Brenda Robinson	Regular (3-yr.)	2	2
Site Plan Review Board	Albert Kolff (appt. 9/10/19)	Alternate (1-yr.)	0	0
Treasure Chest Monitor. Comm.	J. Jennifer Babiec	Regular (3-yr.)	No meetings held in 2019	
Tree Committee	Paul Cotton	Regular (3-yr.)	3	3
Tree Committee	Patricia Kinkade	Regular (3-yr.)	3	3
West K'bunk Village Comm.	Barbara Weeman	Regular (3-yr.)	5	5
Zoning Board of Appeals	James Atwood	Regular (3-yr.)	No meetings held in 2019	

Berry said there are several committees that have not met and he asked whether they should consider disbanding those committees at this time until there's a need for them. Some discussion ensued.

**A motion was made to re-appoint the Regular members listed above with three-year terms expiring on June 30, 2023 and re-appoint the Alternate members listed above with one-year terms expiring on June 30, 2021.**

**MOVED: Baldwin**

**SECONDED: Karytko**

Berry said if you look at the Planning Board, they need to add Stephanie Seiders as an Alternate.

**Baldwin then amended the motion to include Stephanie Seiders for a one-year Alternate term on the Planning Board. Karytko then seconded it.**

**VOTE: 6 in favor, 1 opposed (Berry, saying he is opposed to a blanket appointment).**

**2. The following members have stated they DO NOT wish to be re-appointed:**

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	Regular (3-yr.) Alternate (1-yr.)	Any Alternates to move up?
Committee on Aging	Donna Curtis-Binette	Regular (3-yr.)	No
Dog Advisory Committee	Gabriela Rodriguez	Regular (3-yr.)	No
Energy Efficiency Advisory Comm.	David Sluyter	Regular (3-yr.)	No
West K'bunk Village Committee	Peter Donaher	Regular (3-yr.)	No
Zoning Board of Appeals	Steve Passerman	Regular (3-yr.)	No

Berry asked when you would like to discuss committees (to discuss which ones are viable, for example). Discussion around this question arose.

Baldwin said he would ask the Town Manager to schedule a workshop on committees during this summer.

**A motion was made to send a letter to the above committee members that did not wish to be re-appointed thanking them for their service to the Town.**

**MOVED: Karytko**

**SECONDED: Ward**

**VOTE: 7 in favor, 0 opposed. The motion passed.**

**e. Discuss Any Other Business**

Berry referenced an email regarding membership on the LPC (Maine Municipal Association's Legislative Policy Committee). He said Ward has offered to serve again on the LPC and they need to have a nomination in by July 13<sup>th</sup>. He said they need to discuss sending Ward back to Augusta as their liaison through the MMA.

**10. SELECT BOARD COMMENTS**

**a. Subcommittee Reports**

**b. Individual Select Board Member Comments**

**Baldwin:** Said he can't remember ever having been accused of being a liar in public or in his professional life. He said it is hurtful to be called a liar in public without any basis; it puts you off your game. Said he had the honor of speaking on behalf of the Select Board on Friday evening for the demonstration, the rally out in front of Town Hall. Spoke about that demonstration. Spoke of the duty of publicly elected officials to those that vote them in. He said what John Costin was talking about was incomprehensible. He then responded to what Costin said earlier in the meeting regarding the Town Manager's contract.

**Ward:** Said to please support your local businesses. Said it was good to see businesses up and running again. Thanked the people at the Town Hall for everything they do, and the police for everything they do to help us keep things on track here.

**Cluff:** None.

**Karytko:** Told people if they have torn and tattered flags to bring them to the American Legion. Said that on Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> (Flag Day), there's going to be a flag retirement ceremony at the Legion at 1 p.m. Updated people on the County Budget Board.

**Paul:** Said he finds John Costin to be very bright, he always enjoys hearing him speak, but he said that unfortunately John's gotten to the point where he continues to beat on this dead horse. Said he would like them to seriously consider at a future meeting to follow Gorham's lead and make businesses in the Town of Kennebunk essential (if for no other reason to send a message back to our Governor; he said he thinks it's getting to the point where the Governor's killing York County).

**Berry:** Said, to Paul's point, it would help if they had some backup information on how the Governor's been making her decisions. Said it disturbs him that she is not responding well to the southern part of the

State. To Costin's remarks tonight: advised people to check their sources and consider from whence they come and the value associated with that.

**Schulte:** Said he thinks the distinction between essential and non-essential businesses has gone away. Said he takes Paul's overall point. Said individuals need to exercise their freedoms with responsibility and that tonight was an exercise of freedom without any form of responsibility from John Costin. He said he (Costin) is failing to find things that we're doing that are wrong. Said the statements Costin made tonight were completely false. He elaborated further.

#### 11. TOWN MANAGER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. **Senior Spotlight** – The Town Hall staff had the pleasure of adopting two Kennebunk High School seniors, [Delaney Glode](#) and [Gracie Campanella](#). On behalf of the Town of Kennebunk, we would like to congratulate them on their graduation and wish them the best on the future endeavors.
- b. **Beach Permits** – [Beach permits](#) for the 2020 season are available at the Town Office. For resident permits, proof of residency or property ownership is required. Beach permits are required from June 15<sup>th</sup> to September 15<sup>th</sup>.
- c. **July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks** have been cancelled.
- d. **West Kennebunk Family Fun Day** (in August) has been cancelled.
- e. **Upcoming Select Board Regular Meetings:**
  - June 23
  - July 14 (summer schedule) \*
  - August 11 (summer schedule) \*
  - September 8
  - September 22

\* The Board will meet only once in July and August, unless special meetings are needed.

- f. **Election** – **Tuesday, July 14<sup>th</sup>** from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium

Pardue made a comment regarding the events of this past week, the good work and collaboration that took place, about working closely with organizers and our staff to make a really positive environment.

#### 12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### 13. ADJOURNMENT

**At approximately 9:58 p.m., a motion was made to adjourn tonight's meeting.**

**MOVED:** Ward  
**SECONDED:** Schulte  
**VOTE** 7 in favor, 0 opposed. The motion passed.



L. Blake Baldwin, Chair  
Kennebunk Select Board

Date: 6/23/20