# TOWN OF LEE SELECT BOARD MEETING

# Tuesday January 2, 2024 @ 7:00PM Town Hall • 38 Main Street • Former Courtroom

### Minutes

Members Present: Bob Jones, Gordon Bailey, Sean Regnier

Members Absent: None.

### Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

### 1. Minutes: Open Session Minutes of 12/19/2023

Mr. Regnier made a motion to approve the 12/19/2023 open session minutes as submitted which Mr. Bailey seconded and was unanimously approved, 3-0.

#### 2. **Public Comment**

Timothy Gray, 165 Bradley Street, began by stating that he wanted to update the Select Board on what HRI has accomplished in the last month or two. He stated that he invited Chris Young, the CEO of Biotech Restorations, to come in February or March. Mr. Young has three or four new technologies to share with HRI and has agreed to meet with the Select Board and the Berkshire Eagle while he is here. Mr. Gray added that HRI has had a TAGG Grant but they haven't spent it yet because they couldn't find a competent advisor. As of nine days ago HRI hired Dr. Mark Hermanski as their advisor; who has already been amazing.

Mr. Gray also mentioned the leaking dumps near the UDF. He stated that it looks like the ownership of the UDF will eventually go under DEP's authority; which is a nightmare. Mr. Gray added that the EPA Challenge is a joke. He stated that the EPA cleanups have pretty much been failures, including cleaning the Hudson and the Great Ohio. Mr. Gray concluded by stating that the CCC meeting is coming up and they hope to have representation from the Select Board and Tri-Town Health if possible.

Kathy Hall, Chair of the Lee Youth Commission, stated that there is a possibility of setting up the ice-skating rink on Saturday January 13th and added that they still need volunteers. She suggested checking the Town's website for updates. Ms. Hall added that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday Gym Night: Minute to Win It Challenge, will be held January 13th from 5:30pm to 7:00pm at the Crossway Tower Gym at 130 High Street. She stated the event is for ages 4-11 and is free. Participants must register online.

#### 3. General Business

### a. <u>Sign letter regarding Monsanto findings</u>

Chairman Jones read the letter aloud (see attached).

Mr. Bailey made a motion to have the Board members sign the letter and have it sent which Mr. Regnier seconded and was unanimously approved, 3-0.

### b. Sign Paint Stewardship Resolution

Mr. Regnier made a motion to have the Board members sign the Paint Stewardship Resolution which Mr. Bailey seconded and was unanimously approved, 3-0.

4. <u>Any topic the Chairman could not reasonably anticipate.</u>

No business was brought forward.

5. Town Administrator – Board and Committee Updates

Admin Brittain listed the available Board & Committee vacancies below:

Five Town Cable Advisory (3)
Agricultural Commission (1)
Capital Outlay Committee (1)
Community Preservation Commission (1)
Personnel Board (2)
Zoning Board of Appeals (1 fulltime member, 1 alternate member)
Historical Commission, Youth Commission, Council on Aging (multiple positions available)

The next regular meeting is scheduled for January 16, 2024.

Mr. Regnier made a motion to adjourn at 7:26pm which Mr. Bailey seconded and was approved, 3-0.

Submitted by:

Sabrina Touhey
Exec Asst TA/BOS

Approved on: 02/06/2024