Arrowsic Board of Selectmen Minutes, April 13, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 6.05 pm

Present: Walter Briggs, DeeDee Jorgensen, Will Neilson, Brett Jensen, Sheila Spear, Don Kornrumpf, Sukey Heard, Jon Schau, Ken Hnottevangetelleen, Jennifer Geiger.

Minutes of the Meeting held on March 23, 2021 and the ABA Workshop March 31, 2021 were approved unanimously after amendment of two typos, on a motion by Will, seconded by Walter.

Warrant #19 for \$12,681.39 was approved unanimously on a motion by Will, seconded by Walter.

The Town's Financial policy needs to be revised to reflect the acquisition of the new credit cards. Sheila will draft the revised text for the next meeting.

ABA Broadband Update

Findley Contract: S motion, moved by Will, seconded by Walter, to authorize Walter as first selectperson to sign the contract with Finley Engineering, was approved unanimously.

Will will talk with the town lawyer about the Axion Heads of Agreement document about the options and costs involved in converting it to a legal document.

Mission needs to be paid \$1,184 as soon as possible. This reflects 20% of the agreed \$5,920; the rest is due when the cash flow starts, or not later than June 2020.

We need to determine a procedure for making ABA payments before the line of credit is set up. Don will distribute a document about the necessary accounts.

The cost of auditing the ABA Budget may be about \$1000 next year and ultimately \$6000 in total.

How to include the ABA budget in the town warrant was also discussed.

Annual Report and Town Budget timeline

Phine submitted a request for inclusion of the usual alewife article. Don and Will will talk with the town lawyer in the next couple of days about the inclusion of ABA in the Warrant.

DeeDee reported on discussions with Harris about TRIO. The Board agreed in principle to acquiring the budgetary module, noting that it will be important to have the module in place by the beginning of the new fiscal year on July 1, and encouraged DeeDee to continue to explore the options on remote access and a transition to the web version. Jennifer reported on the Planning Board's request, described some zoning ordinance language changes the board is recommending, and raised a question about legal fees. It was agreed that there is a single town line for legal fees, so these are not charged to the Planning Board's budget. There are some issues involving the printing of the updated zoning ordinance.

On the absence of an Education Committee it was suggested that there be an appeal at Town Meeting, and if no one comes forward it should be disbanded.

A Board budget workshop will be held via zoom on April 22, 1.30 - 3.30 pm. Walter will distribute a copy of last year's warrant.

Town Volunteers

It was agreed that individuals could be thanked within the context of committee reports. And there was a recommendation as to the 2021 Arrowsic Spirit of America Tribute.

Assessment items

Sukey meeting Bill at Detweiler property tomorrow.

Project Graduation 2021

This has not been approved in the Town Warrant. DeeDee will communicate to Katie Smith.

Welcome letter revision and signature

Sheila reported that there is a revised version of the welcome letter requiring Board signatures.

Mail

Sheila will respond to the request to purchase property from town that the lot is not available, having been merged into an abutting lots, and was non-conforming and not possible to build on.

Upcoming vacation

Sheila will be on vacation April 19-24 and again May 12-19

The meeting was adjourned at 8. 03, on a motion by Walter, seconded by DeeDee unanimously approved after a rousing rendition of County Joe and Fish's Fish anthem by Will.