

**Arrowsic Board of Selectmen
Minutes, April 27, 2021
Approved as amended May 11, 2021**

Present: Walter Briggs, DeeDee Jorgensen, Will Neilson, Brett Jensen, Sheila Spear, John White, Don Kornrumpf, Michael Loviska, Sukey Heard

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm.

Minutes for April 13, 2021 were approved unanimously as amended on a motion by DeeDee, seconded by Walter.

Minutes of the Budget Workshop April 22, 2021 were approved unanimously on a motion by Will, seconded by DeeDee.

Treasurer's Warrant

Warrant # 20 for \$55,998.75 was approved unanimously on a motion by DeeDee, seconded by Walter.

ABA Warrant

Warrant #1 for \$ 1,184 was approved unanimously on a motion by DeeDee, seconded by Will.

ABA Broadband Update

- Contracts: the Findley contract has been signed by the Town and is now awaiting Findley's signature before submitting to USDA. The USDA agreement has been sent to Washington, waiting return. Axiom has been sent the first draft of a legal agreement - may some issues with insurance and revenue sharing. Findley will then help put together RFP for contractor contracts
- Marketing: Georgetown has received an overwhelming response to their first outreach.
- Mission payment has been made.
- Insurance: Peabody Trident \$18,000 as compared to MMA, Mesa, Starstone \$30,000; preparing comps. Urgency since need for Make Ready to start. Don will circulate PT details.
- Little Barn: Michael reported on working with Properties Committee on using the Little Barn as a network shed for ABA; Michael Kreindler has provided copies of the original 2003 design and construction drawings from which the Little Barn was built, to aid in possible redevelopment to host the network. Need to

wait till contracts with Findley and Axiom are signed to complete discussions with them about their requirements before moving forward. USDA also has some specific requirements. Financing between Properties Committee and ABA is under discussion.

- ABA Account Procedures and Signing Authorities: ABA needs to set up signatories so things can move forward. It was decided that Brett will be the primary signatory with Walter as back-up. The Board established invoicing procedures.

Annual Report and Town Budget timeline

DeeDee had circulated a draft of the new warrant. She and Walter will meet to refine it further. Don has drafted a budget for ABA which he will send to her in the morning. Warrant due to Editor May 3.

Town Meeting Planning

Various options for holding the Meeting were discussed. Will will call MMA and offered use of his PA system. Sheila will contact David Norton about tents.

Amendment to Town Financial Management policy

Revised wording for the policy was approved unanimously on a motion by Walter, seconded by DeeDee.

2021 Arrowsic Spirit of America Tribute.

Nomination of Barbara Boyce and the election workers was approved unanimously on a motion by Walter, seconded by DeeDee.

Abatement item - Detweiler update

The assessment on the Detweiler property was reviewed and revised by Bill van Tuinen. An abatement of \$57.30 was approved unanimously on a motion by Will, seconded by Walter.

Mail:

Allison Hepler had forwarded information about the American Rescue Plan funds indicating that the allocation for Arrowsic was nearly \$46,000.

Adjourn.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was approved unanimously on a motion by Will seconded by DeeDee at 7.23 pm.

The next meeting will be held at the Town Hall, with access also by zoom.