

**Preston Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
Thursday, April 22, 2021
Teleconference Call
7:00 pm**

BoS Present: Sandra Allyn-Gauthier, Jerry Grabarek, Ken Zachem

Call to Order

1st Selectwoman Sandra Allyn-Gauthier called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

1st Selectwoman Sandra Allyn-Gauthier stated *Per Lamont’s Executive Order 7b, Participants are reminded to state your name and title before speaking. Please help us make this conference call as useful as possible by keeping your phone on mute when not speaking. We are keeping the line open to all participants by default, but if background noise becomes a problem, we will mute all participants and ask participants to use “chat” to be selectively unmuted. Also note that we will be recording this meeting to comply with open meeting requirements.*

Acceptance of Previous Meeting Minutes

April 8, Special Meeting

April 8, Regular Meeting

April 15, 2021 Special Meeting

A motion was made by K. Zachem and seconded by J. Grabarek to approve the April 8, 2021 Special Meeting Meeting minutes as presented.

All in favor. Motion carries

A motion was made by J. Grabarek and seconded by K. Zachem to approve the April 8, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes as amended.

All in favor. Motion carries

New Business

f. Authorization Form Updates: Fair Housing Resolution, Fair Housing Police-Policy Statement, Municipal Grievance Procedure, Affirmative Action Police Statement, ADA Notice, Compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

Tax Refund

a. Theresa A, Gaines – List #2019-03-0051752 Ken Zachem motioned for Theresa A. Gaines receive a ~~\$90.80~~-\$90.81 refund for over payment of taxes. Jerry Grabarek seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by K. Zachem and seconded by J. Grabarek to approve the April 15, 2021 Special Meeting Meeting minutes as presented.

All in favor. Motion carries

Correspondence

a) Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection re: The Town of Preston designates American Ambulance as the Coordinated Medical Emergency Direction (CMED)

Reports

None

Appointments and/or Resignations

Reappointment – Parks & Recreation: Thomas Turner and Kimberly Demara (Term 4/1/2021 – 3/31/2026)

Reappointment – Housing Authority: Leigh Pappas (5/1/2021 – 4/30/2026)

A motion was made by K. Zachem and seconded by J. Grabarek to reappoint Thomas Turner and Kimberly Demara as Regular Members of the Parks & Recreation Commission with terms of 4/1/2021 – 3/31/2026

All in favor. Motion carries.

A motion was made by J. Grabarek and seconded by K. Zachem to reappoint Leigh Pappas as a Regular Member of the Housing Authority with a term of 5/1/2021 – 4/30/2026.

All in favor. Motion carries.

New Business

1. Covid Update

- Some restrictions will be lifted May 1st
- More lifted by May 19th
- Preston's population is 50% vaccinated
- Cases have declined in the past two weeks
- In person meetings still virtual until May 19th
- Preston Meetings to be held in lower level of Town Hall, School and/or Fire House
- Masks to be continued indoors

2. St. Catherine's Annual Road Race – June 17, 2021

A motion was made by K. Zachem and seconded by J. Grabarek to approve road closures on Northwest Corner Road and Hollowell Road, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm for the St. Catherine's Annual Road Race on June 17, 2021.

All in favor. Motion carries.

Old Business

None

Tax Refunds

None

Public Comment

Jill Keith, Tanglewood Drive, Preston resident (not Town Clerk) hoped there would be a robo call and text messaging to remind people about tonight.

Adjournment

A motion was made by K. Zachem and seconded by J. Grabarek to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 pm.

All in favor. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

RT Charpentier

Roberta Charpentier
Preston Recording Secretary