



Via Zoom

Town of Henniker, NH
Board of Selectmen Public Minutes

May 27, 2020
Henniker Town Hall
18 Depot Hill Rd.
Henniker, NH

Members Present: Chairman Kris Blomback, Vice Chair Tia Hooper, Selectman Peter R. Flynn, Selectman Scott Osgood, Selectman Leon Parker

Town Administrator: Joseph R. Devine Jr.

Recording Secretary: Joseph R. Devine Jr.

Guests:

Chairman Blomback called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

“COVID-19 - Public Meeting Procedures Notice Due to the COVID 19/Coronavirus crisis and in accordance with Governor Sununu’s Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, Henniker Board of Selectmen is authorized to meet electronically. The Town of Henniker will be utilizing the Zoom platform for this electronic meeting. Please note that there is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously to the meeting, which was authorized pursuant to Governor Sununu’s Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04. All members of the Board of Selectmen have the ability to communicate contemporaneously during this meeting through the Zoom platform, and the public has access to contemporaneously listen and, if necessary, participate in this meeting by following the link below, or dialing the number below and entering the ID number at the prompt. For those who want to provide public testimony in the Public Hearing portion of the meeting, and you are connected to the Zoom website, you may click on the Raise Hand icon in the Attendees Section of Zoom to make the request. When the time is appropriate, you will be recognized so you can provide your testimony. For those calling in who want to provide public testimony, dial *9 to alert the host that you wish to speak. The host will unmute you at the appropriate time/during the public hearing portion of the meeting. All participants please keep your phones and computers on mute unless speaking. Website Address: <https://zoom.us/j/98272257537> Telephone Dial: +1 646 558 8656 Meeting ID: 982 7225

7537 Members of the public can also email questions or other public testimony to townadministrator@henniker.org. Staff will read the testimony or questions into the record during the meeting. Any member of the public can also call the Town of Henniker at 603-998-1492 or email townadministrator@henniker.org if they are unable to access the meeting.”

Public Comment #1: None

Consent Agenda: None

New Business: Item 1 Town Meeting Update

Cordell Johnston provided an update on how to conduct Town Meeting. Cordell stated nobody has received guidance from the State at this point. He goes on to speak about the proposal on how to legally still have town meeting. We move forward with the meeting on June 6th and rather than utilize the café, we use individual rooms of 9 or less. This will comply with the Governor’s Emergency Order restricting gatherings of more than 10.

Cordell then continues to give an update on what the procedures will look like.

- Assigned doors based on name. (3 entrances)
- Voter check in with ballot clerk and received envelope with all necessary paperwork.
- Voter reports to assigned room.
- Assistant moderators would assist in each room.
- Asked to wear masks and keep appropriate social distance.
- Meeting will be live streamed to each classroom.
- Chat feature will be set up to allow each classroom discussion.
- Votes would take place in each room and report back through the chat feature.

Discussion then revolved around what the Board wanted to move forward with. As discussion continued the logistics of ballot clerks and volunteers occurred. Discussion moved to if we could require mask use and temperature checks. Cordell did not think we could legally not allow people into Town Meeting if they refused a mask or temperature check. Discussion continue around volunteers and how it would work.

Board voted to support the proposed plan as presented.

Old Business: None

Other Business/Correspondence: None

Public Comment #2:

Non-Public: None

Adjournment: Motion was made by Selectmen Parker and seconded by Vice Chair Hooper. Meeting was adjourned at 5:44 pm.