The Meeting of the Board of Selectmen held on Tuesday, April 28, 2020 began at 5:30 p.m. Remote participation. The meeting was held during the COVID-19 crisis.

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Members Present: Derek DeBarge, Chairman, Antonio Goncalves, Manuel Silva and William Rosenblum
Absent: Carmina Fernandes
First Order of Business: The Pledge of Allegiance

Visitations:

Correspondence:

101. Mary Pichetti, Director of Capital Planning, MSBA – Harris Brook Elementary School, Initial Change Order Review.

Moved by Mr. Silva, seconded by Mr. Goncalves to file. Vote 4-0. All in favor.

102. Michael Sweeney, Executive Director, MA State Lottery Commission – letter of notification of the Lottery's intent to install a monitor at Ludlow Mobil.

Moved by Mr. Goncalves, seconded by Mr. Rosenblum to file. Vote 4-0. All in favor.

103 & 103a. John Maher, Director of Governmental Affairs, Charter Communications – letters of notification of channel lineup changes.

Moved by Mr. Goncalves, seconded by Mr. Rosenblum to file. Vote 4-0. All in favor.

Unfinished Business:

Board discussed the COVID-19 crisis and updates. Mr. DeBarge explained that there are approximately 60 positive cases in Town currently, however, these numbers are getting somewhat skewed due to some residents living in nursing homes in other towns, etc. Encouraged residents to continue to get medical treatment when necessary. Governor Baker has extended the stay at home order as well.

Moved by Mr. Rosenblum, seconded by Mr. Silva for the Board to accept the Families First Coronavirus Response Act as a Town Policy for the Town of Ludlow. Vote 4-0. All in favor.

Moved by Mr. Goncalves, seconded by Mr. Rosenblum for the Board to accept the return to work memorandum as presented. Vote 4-0. All in favor.

Moved by Mr. Rosenblum, seconded by Mr. Goncalves for the Board to authorize a copy of weekly payrolls to be received by the Human Resources Director prior to processing. Vote 4-0. All in favor.

New Business:

Moved by Mr. Silva, seconded by Mr. Rosenblum to approve and Chairman to sign the payment voucher for the FY20 PILOT (Payment in lieu of taxes) between the town and DCR (Department of Conservation and Recreation). Vote 4-0. All in favor.

Chairman approved and signed all bills, warrants and abatements. A record of all warrants is in the Selectmen's office for perusal until provided to the Town Accountant's office.

Closing Comments:

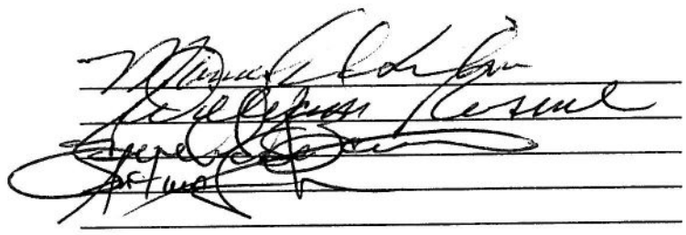
Mr. Silva stated that it is unfortunate that the Governor extended the stay-at-home order until May 18th but urges residents to respect that and stay safe.

Mr. Goncalves also urges residents to stay safe and obey the rules to get through this quickly.

Mr. Rosenblum sends prayers to residents whose family members have been affected by this. The paper on Sunday was mostly obituaries which is very sad. Encourages everyone to stay at home and stay safe. Prayers to everyone.

Mr. DeBarge sends his condolences to the Duval family, the Town lost its plumbing inspector, Kevin Duval to a motorcycle accident over the weekend and our thoughts and prayers are with the entire family. To all the Ludlow residents who have lost their lives to the Coronavirus as well, it is a very somber topic. Try to keep your family positive during these times. We have a lot of good people who take care of others. Ludlow Cares Coalition had Dr. John Mattleman on their page who spoke about things you can do while you are home with your children during the pandemic.

Moved by Mr. Goncalves, seconded by Mr. Silva to adjourn this meeting at 7:41 p.m., not return to open session. Vote 4-0. All in favor.



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