

# **TOWN OF MONSON**

*"A town where friendliness is more than just a word"*

## **June 4, 2020 – Special Select Board Meeting**

**Present** – Buddy Martin, Eric Vainio, Tyler Adkins, Daniel Swain, Bobbie Crockett, Susan Chase, Brian Turner, Ricky Clawson

Buddy Martin officially opens the meeting at 6:00 pm

### **NO PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Daniel explained the latest government guidelines and expressed his plans for the town meeting. Since there is more than one person running for Selectman, (Eric Vainio and Susan Chase) the town wants people to be able to vote without having to worry about social distancing too much. Daniel suggested arranging the voting so that the community voters can come into the office at set hours (ie: 8-6pm) to vote on the day of the town meeting. The meeting would start at the office to cover articles 1 and 2 and allow voting all day. It was noted that this plan may also help keep people from overcrowding the gym at the actual town meeting since they would have already voted.

The law states that at least 4 hours need to be offered for people to vote but the voting may as well take place all day whereas the staff will be at the office anyway. The office will close at 6:00 pm and the meeting will resume at the gym at 6:30 to discuss the remaining articles.

Tyler summarized the meeting outcome and discussed the votes to be counted. Neither selectboard candidate has a problem with having the election in this manner.

Eric brought up the particulars of social distancing at the gym and how they are going to be carried out as we can only have 50 people gathered. Daniel explained that the chairs will be spaced appropriately, and the Historical Society is loaning the town a sound system with microphones so people will be able to hear.

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:30 PM**

