

**Town of Durham  
Board of Selectmen  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
March 16, 2020**

**1. Call to Order:** Kevin Nadeau calls the meeting to Order at approximately 5:30 p.m.

**Members present:** Kevin Nadeau, Chairman; Richard George; and Todd Beaulieu. (Rob Pontau present virtually, cannot vote)

**Quorum:** Quorum met with three (3) members present

Tonight's special meeting is being held to discuss a plan to move forward in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Kevin Nadeau raises the question of whether to cancel the Public Hearing planned for March 19 regarding proposed changes to the Land Use Ordinance. He says his feeling is that the Town of Durham should cancel all public meetings for the next eight (8) weeks, then revisit the decision at that time.

At this time, the feeling is that the Municipal Elections set for April 3 cannot be canceled, but residents will be encouraged to vote absentee. Ruth Glaeser will look into holding the Elections at the Town Office. As of now, the Town will not hold Town Meeting set for April 4.

**Kevin Nadeau Moves to authorize Fire Chief Joseph Moore to spend up to \$28,000 in Capital funds toward the purchase of self-contained breathing apparatus. Todd Beaulieu Seconds. Motion Carries 4-0.**

The Planning Board will not meet again until at least May 6.

Operations:

**Kevin Nadeau Moves that effective immediately, all town buildings will be closed to the public until further notice. Kevin amends his Motion to say that all town buildings will be closed to the public for**

**non-emergency situations. Rich George Seconds. Motion Carries 4-0.**

The Town Office staff will still be working and residents will be encouraged to conduct as much business as possible online. Arrangements will be made for those who can't conduct their town business online.

Ruth will send the Select Board an update each week to let them know how things are going at the Town Office.

**Kevin Moves to approve the Warrant as presented. Todd Beaulieu Seconds. Motion Carries 4-0.**

**Kevin Nadeau Moves to go into Executive Session pursuant to MRSA 405 6a – Personnel. Rich George Seconds. Motion Carries 4-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Kathy Dion  
Meetings Secretary