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## BOARD OF SELECTMEN WORKSHOP MEETING OCTOBER 22, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

**Members present:** Steven P. Rose, Chairman (via teleconference)

Eric S. Beckerman, Clerk (via teleconference) Jason L. Suzor, Associate (via teleconference)

**Others present:** Gregory S. Enos, Town Administrator (via teleconference)

Shanna M. Faro, Executive Assistant (via teleconference)

Fire Chief Robert Spurr (via teleconference)

Kathleen Waldron, Health Agent (via teleconference) Ann Fogg, Library Director (via teleconference) Patricia Bessette, Town Clerk (via teleconference)

Chairman Rose announced that pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Board of Selectmen is being conducted via remote participation. No in-person attendance of members of the public was permitted, but every effort was made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings as provided for in the Order. Chairman Rose reminded the viewing audience that persons who would like to view this meeting while in progress may do so by joining the Zoom link for the videoconference in session.

Chairman Rose called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. with all members present. Each Board member acknowledged their presence at the meeting by responding in the affirmative during the roll call. In addition, all anticipated speakers acknowledge their presence by responding in the affirmative when Chairman Rose called their names.

## Reevaluation of Reopening Town Offices to the Public

Chief Spurr informed the Board that Avon has now been categorized as a "high risk" red state and will remain in that category for the next two weeks. Ms. Waldron informed the Board that there has been an uptick in the number of positive cases.

With the information from Chief Spurr and Ms. Waldron and based upon the recommendation of the Town Administrator, the Board agreed that Town Hall and the Council on Aging shall remain closed to the public and open by appointment only.

Ann Fogg requested that the library be allowed to remain open by appointment only and to increase the number of patrons in the library at one time from five to seven. Ms. Fogg also requested that one

computer be available to the public for thirty-minute intervals. Mr. Enos stated that he will provide Ms. Fogg and her staff with an electrostatic sprayer to disinfect the computers after usage. The Board approved the Library Director's plan.

Mr. Enos informed the Board that hand sanitizing stations have now been placed at the public parks as well.

## Adjournment

At 12:45 p.m., Mr. Suzor made a motion to adjourn the Workshop Session. Mr. Beckerman s'econded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Suzor voted aye. Mr. Beckerman voted aye. Chairman Rose voted aye. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Shanna M. Faro

Executive Assistant to the Town Administrator