BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY SPECIAL MEETING Thursday, August 5, 2021

In Person Attendance: Rebecca Reed, Rosie Laquerre, Jez Harrington, Elise Thorsen, Edie Miller, Ginny Burley, Lindy Johnson, Amy Willis (left at 7:05 p.m.)

Remote Attendance: Carl Etnier

Vice Chair Reed called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

- Agenda Revisions: Town Clerk Laquerre requested time to give a new election law overview
- Public Comment None
- Approval of Draft Minutes January 13, 2021. Motion was made by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Ms. Murray. There was no discussion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

CHECKLIST UPDATE – Town Clerk Laquerre provided copies of the following lists:

- Voters who have registered and never voted
- Voters who have registered and have not voted over the period of two general elections.
- Voters who have been removed/purged from the checklist since January 13, 2021.

Those present discussed names on the respective lists and suggested that all those who have not voted since 2017 be challenged. It was noted that a number of these voters were challenged previously with the reason for the challenge unclear. They were unchallenged at that time. Now that these voters have been challenged again, they will be eligible for removal if no response is given by the next biennial review in 2023.

Rather than using the standard letter provided by the state, a letter with language that is less intimidating and better educates voters regarding challenges will be crafted by the Town Clerk. Board members will continue to review the lists at home and e-mail any others they feel should be challenged to the Clerk. On September 14, the Clerk will prepare and send the required letter to the Secretary of State's office indicating the performance of the Biennial checklist review has been completed.

Town Clerk Laquerre gave a brief overview of new election laws. More information and trainings will be available later in the year.

Motion to Adjourn: Made by Ms. Burley and seconded by Ms. Martin. Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Rosie Laquerre, Town Clerk