

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING**

**October 4, 2022**

### **MINUTES**

**Present:** Shawn Talbot (Chair), Jason Somero, Lou Alvarez and Debbie Deaton (Town Administrator)

**5:00 Open Meeting** in the Town Office with the Pledge of Allegiance at 5:00

**5:02 PD Renovation bid extension:**

Shawn made a motion to extend the bid date to October 18, 2022 at 5pm. Lou seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Jason will inform the current applicants. Debbie will have Susan update the website.

Jason added he has been talking to Jeff Muhonen regarding the lease. If we are going to take the additional space, we need to make a decision before January.

**5:05 Budget Hearing & Deliberative Session Dates:**

Debbie informed the Board she had confirmed with Craig Reynolds that Tuesday, 2/7/2023 at 7:00pm at Mascenic High School with a snow date of Saturday, 2/11/2023 at 10:00am is available and she submitted the School Use form. Debbie also mentioned she had emailed the Finance Advisory Committee so they are aware of the dates. Shawn asked her to email Bob Romeril (Moderator) and Lisa Carbone (Town Clerk) with both dates.

**5:07 Old/New Business:**

- Shawn mentioned Debbie had spoken to Fran Parisi regarding the proposed cell tower on Old Peterborough Road. Debbie added they are still planning on moving forward with the project but the driveway to the tower needs to be re-engineered using Old Rindge Road. Fran will get back to Debbie with the progress.

- Debbie redesigned the Transfer Station decals and got a quote from the printer for approximately \$800. The printer is aware we will be changing colors every year to make it easier for the Transfer Station attendants to see. She added the thought was to have resident stickers \$30 per year, non-resident stickers \$60 per year and senior citizens (65+) and veterans free. The free stickers would still have to pay if they throw away any chargeable items. Lou asked why we would want to issue non-resident stickers. Debbie replied a lot of non-residents are turned away. We could use the income. Jason suggested we should see what other towns are charging for non-residents. Debbie will look into it. Jason asked if we could coordinate the colors with the State inspection stickers. Debbie replied the printer can do any color.

The new stickers and rates should start January 1 so Shawn suggested all of the information should be compiled before the end of November so we can implement the changes.

- Shawn stated he met Ed Rogers at the old town garage regarding the boundary pins. Ed is unable to locate the front left pin but he has a best guess using calculations where it should be. He also noted the town has encroached on the boundary line. Ed will submit an informal report within the next couple of weeks.

Jason asked if any soil tests have been done yet. Debbie replied she just received the contact information of a local soil person and will contact him this week.

- Shawn inquired as to who is the expending authority on each of the Capital reserves and Trust Funds. Debbie will gather the requested information.

•Shawn said he has an update from the FAC of their progress. They are moving along and asking questions instead of letting things go. It seems to be going very well. Debbie will let Dennis know to change the dates for the Budget Hearing and Deliberative Session.

The FAC has had a hard time getting in touch with the Cemetery Trustees for their budget. Jason will contact them.

•Lou said he asked Peter to come in next week to discuss the options he wants on the lift. Shawn asked if he was going to touch on the other items he needed. Lou replied he didn't discuss that with Peter. Shawn said he would like the broad picture of the DPW equipment needs to use the additional Highway Block Grant we received.

#### **5:20 SVAS budget- Wendy Leger:**

Wendy submitted the SVAS budget and backup for new ratios to the Board for 2023. The total cost will be increasing but the New Ipswich portion will be reduced by \$100 due to the recalculation of calls vs. population. New Ipswich has been paying 70% and Greenville has been paying 30%. The new ratio will be 60% and 40% due to population and quantity of calls. Wendy has a meeting with the Greenville Town Administrator on Wednesday at 9am. Shawn said the Board will be available for a joint meeting with Greenville if needed.

Debbie asked who should write the warrant article. Shawn replied the Town Administrator.

#### **6:02 LED Lighting Discussion:**

Debbie and Peter put together an RFP for the LED lighting for the Board to review. Some changes were made to the RFP. Debbie will edit and post on the website. She will also place an ad in the Monadnock Ledger.

Lou mentioned he would like to use ARPA funds to pay for the LED fixtures so we save the interest and the \$750 processing fee for loan.

Shawn asked Debbie to email the RFP to Affinity to see if they would like to bid non-smart fixtures.

#### **6:20 Non-Public Session RSA 91:A 3, II (I)-Legal**

At 6:20 Shawn made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91:A 3, II (a), Lou seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. At 7:00, Shawn made a motion to return to public session. Jason seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Jason made a motion to seal the minutes. Lou seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

#### **7:02 Non-Public Session RSA 91:A 3, II (b)-Personnel**

At 7:02 Jason made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91:A 3, II (a), Shawn seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. At 7:35, Shawn made a motion to return to public session. Lou seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Shawn made a motion to seal the minutes. Jason seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

At 7:40 Shawn made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Jason and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debbie Deaton  
Town Administrator

**Minutes approved by BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Shawn Talbot, Chairman:



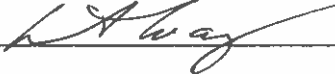
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Jason Somero:



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Lou Alvarez:



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