

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

January 31, 2023

MINUTES

Present: Jason Somero (Acting Chair), Lou Alvarez and Debbie Deaton (Town Administrator)
Susan Mallett, Steve Beaulieu

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

5:02 Old/New Business:

- Jason stated Shawn was not available tonight so he will be chairing the meeting.
- Debbie gave the Board proposals for lower supplier costs from Logical Communications Services. She explained this service sends out our kilowatt hours to multiple companies and finds the lowest supplier costs. If we sign a 3 year contract locking in a rate (currently .12575 cents per kilowatt hour), we would save approximately \$50,000 over the course of 3 years versus Eversource at .22675 cents per kilowatt hour. The Board would like to see the actual contract. They would also like Debbie to ask if energy costs go down, would our rate go down or stay at the contracted amount.
- Debbie mentioned the extreme temperatures this weekend and suggested closing the Transfer Station for the health of the employees and residents. Lou made a motion to close the Transfer Station on Saturday, February 4th. Jason seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Sue will post this on the Town website and Facebook page.
- Debbie informed the Board the Green Center has been receiving an anonymous donation of approximately \$1,200 per year to empty the dumpster that is used for items unable to be recycled at the Green Center. They would like to take it out of their Revolving Account. This is for information only and required no decision.
- Jason reminded everyone the Deliberative session is on February 7, 2023 at 7:00pm at the Mascenic Auditorium and the School Deliberative session is on February 8, 2023 at 6:00pm at Mascenic.
- There will be a meeting on February 7, 2023 at 4:00pm at the Town Office regarding a timber harvest at the Transfer Station.
- There will be a follow-up meeting for the "after events" of the last storm to go over events (things that worked, challenges, things that can be improved on).
- Jason mentioned there is a generator shortage which is necessary for communications when the power goes out. Debbie added the new generators need to be propane and automatic. Debbie stated this is another example of the need for cloud storage for data backup.
- Jason reminded everyone the deadline for Declaration of Candidacy is Friday from 3pm-5pm.

5:40 Non-Public Session RSA 91:A 3, II (a):

At 5:40 Jason made a motion to adjourn. Lou seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. At 6:20pm, Jason made a motion to return to public session. Lou seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Jason made a motion to seal the minutes. Lou seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

6:20 Non-Public Session RSA 91:A 3, II (c):

At 6:20 Jason made a motion to adjourn. Lou seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. At 6:30pm, Jason made a motion to return to public session. Lou seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Jason made a motion to seal the minutes. Lou seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

- Jason mentioned the Board would like to invite State Reps to a meeting on March 21st at 5:05pm. Debbie will send invitations.

At 6:45, Jason made a motion to adjourn. Lou seconded the motion and it 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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