



SELECTMEN'S MEETING

JUNE 6, 2023

MINUTES

Selectmen in Attendance: Dick Norcross, Ricky Emery, and John Hicks.

Attendees, Fire Chief, Richard Perreault; Code Enforcement Officer, Michael Vane; Animal Control Officer, Cynthia Eaton; Dana Forcier, Jr.; William J. Flynn; Brittany York; Carrie Garland; Vinny Lanovara; Barb Moulton; Dan Larson; Deborah Tait; Terry Egan; Joe Egan; Whit Lucy; Frank Day; and Hailey Boudreau.

Chairman, Dick Norcross called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Motion on the Minutes of May 23, 2023 Selectmen's Meeting: Dick motioned, John second to approve. Voted by a show of hands.

Payroll and Accounts Payable Warrants were approved.

Department Heads:

Fire Chief, Dicky Perreault reported a busy weekend assisting Denmark and Kezar Falls; the letter received from Susan Collins is in the correspondence folder. Dicky met with the fire service today and inspected the campgrounds. The utility vehicle is out of service right now. On Friday they are going to the Denmark School for their alternative learning day. Poland Springs has donated water to the department.

ACO, Cindy reported on stray cats and she's taking a hen & rooster to the New Suncook School for career day.

CEO, Mike Vane said that he has had a pretty busy day with two or three plumbing and 2 septic permits, 2 inspections, a dangerous building is of concern for the near future. Concerns over home businesses are covered by our ordinance and it is pretty clear as to what goes before the planning board and what doesn't.

Appointment Papers for Election Clerks: Jane Merrill, Janice Larson, Lynn Boyle, Deborah Tait, Whitton Lucy, and Pamela Warren-Thomas were signed.

Leah Rachin Re:Legal Issues:FOAA training link; FOAA received on 5/11/2023 was sent on to Leah per Ricky on 5/16/23; Letter of reply was mailed on 5/18/23; & the final info was authorized to be released upon payment for labor # of pages.

In response to a certified letter regarding a fall at the Community Center, Dick said they are supposed to be pouring the concrete tomorrow. This should take care of it.

The Board received the Report of ADR Conference and Order in the Merrill v. Town of Brownfield and the town received a check from our insurance company;

The DOJ issue was addressed: Ricky made a motion, John seconded to allow the Chairman to sign the signature document in regards to the ADA Complaint. Voted affirmative by a show of hands.

A Maine Human Rights matter was passed on to Connor Schratz by Leah. Phone conversation between Connor, Michelle, & I on 6/2/2023 will set the wheels in motion again.

CEO, Mike Vane said he has been here for about three years and nothing has been done, he will to respond to Kris A Walker regarding the clean-up of the property.

Fire Chief, Dicky Perreault Sr. provided a copy of an email from United States Senator, Susan M. Collins that says she has received our request for federal funding to construct a new public safety building in Brownfield. She has requested that \$2,898,000 be included in the FY 2024 Agriculture appropriations bill for this project.

The Town of Conway sent a notice regarding a public hearing scheduled for June 8, 2023 at 6:00 pm, on a Potential Regional Impact by The Residences at Saco River, LLC who want to construct 228 residential dwelling units, 15 town houses, and 5,675 square foot clubhouse with associated infrastructure and create a 2-unit subdivision at 1552 White Mountain Highway, N. Conway, NH.

MSAD 72 outcome from the district meeting held on April 24, 2023 shows FY23 Assessment at \$1,887,242 and FY24 Assessment at \$1,998,097 for Brownfield.

Mt Washington Valley Economic Council notified us that in May towns appoint a representative to represent them on this council. The Board reappointed Hollie Hazzard as the representative for the Town of Brownfield. The Town does not have an alternate representative, at this time.

Maine Dept of Agriculture, Conservation, & Forestry wants the Town to grant permission to Maine Natural Areas Program staff to conduct biological surveys on R02-002-096 looking for the rare "Long's Bulrush" that was last observed there in 2002. Dick Norcross signed granting permission.

Pam Thomas, Planning Board Secretary, provided info titled "Municipal Tax Lien Foreclosures After US Supreme Court Decision in Tyler v. Hennepin County"; Agenda for PB 6/6/2023 Meeting & the Adult Use License for Dick Norcross and Sonia Frye to sign for Adam;

Lynn Boyle provided info on a company that scans old documents for local governments (deeds).

FOAA request from Angel Tormis regarding leases/licenses on towers, antennas installed on town properties;

MTCCA's 2023 Award for Outstanding Maine Clerk is looking for nominations & a Licensing workshop is scheduled for 7/12; MMA's Technology & Innovation Conference will be on 6/23 at the University of Maine at Orono, The New Managers Workshop will be 6/21 at the University of Maine, Orono, & Ethel N Kelley Memorial Award are looking for nominations & Planning Board & BOA workshop in Lewiston will be on 6/7/23.

Rick instructed Alvina to ask Lynn to sign up for classes offered by TRIO, if she hasn't already.

SMPDC 58th annual meeting will be on 6/20/23 @ 5:00 pm at the Forge on the Falls-costs \$30pp.

Manuals were provided for the new compactors at the Transfer Station.

Dick explained the lease of the copier from Kyocera is going down this year. Rick made a motion, John second to accept the proposal of \$6,184.92 for the copier. Voted unanimously by a show of hands.

Joe Egan asked how much was the settlement? Dick responded \$7,000 for the lawyer and \$23,000 for her and it was covered by insurance other than our deductibles; He also asked about the letter Susan Collins office, what would be the towns share? That depends upon the amount of the grant. In response to Joes question about the audit Alvina said that they are making progress but it is not complete yet. Rick read article 41 in the warrant; Discussion ensued on the audit topic, and surplus funds. Terry questioned where the numbers for article 14 came from. Dick said that Dicky talked with a company just to have figures to work with.

This meeting adjourned at 6:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Alvina Day, Administrative Assistant