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Selectmen's Meeting 5 :30pm
Town Office

Wednesday, December 02, 2021

MEETING MINUTES

- **CALL TO ORDER:** called to order at 5:30 PM by Selectman Mason. Present are: Selectman Streeter, Selectman Mason, Selectman Goodson, Selectman Roberts, Selectman Ricker, Town Administrator Karen Anthony, Ed Comeau.

Motion to enter into non-public under 91-A:3 (a) by Selectman Mason, 2nd by Selectman Goodson. Roll call vote: Streeter – yes, Goodson – yes, Mason – yes

Motion to come out of non-public @ 5:55 PM by Selectman Mason, 2nd by Selectman Goodson. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes
Recess until 6:00 PM

Re-open the meeting at 6:00 PM. Additional attendees: Bruno, Glenn Johnson, Dan Beauregard, Willie Farnum, Gabrielle Watson. On Zoom: Jim and Maureen Diamond, Barb Bloomberg, Ellen Farnum, Linda Cook, Maud Anderson, Richard Doucette, TJ Eldridge

- **CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:** N/A
- **PUBLIC HEARING:** Establishment of fees for the Transfer Station under RSA 41:9-A; Selectman Mason opened the meeting up and read off the new transfer station fee schedule. Selectman Mason opened it up for public comment. Willie Farnum discussed why the proposed fees are appropriate. Maureen Diamond supports the increases. *Motion to close the public hearing on the transfer station fee schedule by Selectman Mason, 2nd by Selectman Goodson. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes. Motion to adopt the new transfer station fee schedule beginning January 1, 2022 by Selectman Mason, 2nd by Selectman Goodson. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes.*
- **PUBLIC HEARING:** Establishment of fees for the Welfare rates under RSA 41:9-A; Selectman Mason opened the meeting up and read off the new Welfare rates. Selectman Mason opened it up for public comment. No public comment. *Motion to close the public hearing on the Welfare rates by Selectman Mason, 2nd by Selectman Goodson. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes. Motion to adopt the Welfare rates beginning January 1, 2022 by Selectman Mason, 2nd by Selectman Goodson. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes*
- **PUBLIC INPUT:** N/A
- **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - Transfer Station budget: Discussion. Okay.
 - Recreation budget: Discussion. Okay. Recreation update: Thursday, Dec 9th at the Town House will be a paint night. Spots are still available; Pickleball at the school gym Tuesday and Thursday nights; Youth basketball is going on; nothing is planned for December school vacation but looking into activities for February; Selectman Goodson asked about involvement with other organizations for the village holiday festivities.
 - TSIC Presentation: Willie Farnum and Gabrielle Watson presented an interim report on behalf of TSIC. Discussion ensued. Reviewed what TSIC needs from the BOS. Grant discussion.

- RFP Review: Discussion regarding the project; septic and buildings; at the Transfer Station and Recreation field.
- Granite Government Solutions: Discussion. *Motion to sign agreement by Selectman Streeter, 2nd by Selectman Ricker. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes.*
- Administrator Update: Bank balance is \$1,490,757. Received \$20K in tax payments on the first day. Anne is comfortable lifting the spending freeze. *Motion to lift the spending freeze by Selectman Goodson, 2nd by Selectman Streeter. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes;* Followed up with Matt Baumann regarding the 911 signs by the Rescue Club. The Fireman’s Club has agreed to take over the 911 signs. A new order form will be created; Christmas and New Year’s Day fall on a Saturday. Will the Transfer Station be closed. *Motion to close the Transfer Station on Christmas Day and New Year’s Day by Selectman Streeter, 2nd by Selectman Mason. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes;* The appeal letter was sent to the BTLA. The BTLA has received our appeal notice and will sent us their decision.

▪ **SIGNATURE FILE:**

- Selectmen’s minutes for November 24, 2021; Motion to approve by Selectman Mason, 2nd by Selectman Goodson. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes
- Non-public minutes for November 24, 2021
 1. RSA 91-A:3 II (a) – session 1 @ 5:30, minutes are unsealed. Motion to approve by Selectman Mason, 2nd by Selectman Goodson. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes
 2. RSA 91-A:3 II (a) – session 2 @ 5:30, minutes are unsealed. Motion to approve by Selectman Mason, 2nd by Selectman Goodson. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes
 3. RSA 91-A:3 II (a) – session 1 @ 6:55, minutes are unsealed. Motion to approve by Selectman Mason, 2nd by Selectman Goodson. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes
 4. RSA 91-A:3 II (a) – session 2 @ 6:55, minutes are unsealed. Motion to approve by Selectman Mason, 2nd by Selectman Goodson. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes
- Accounts Payable Manifest in the amount of \$251,881.31 with \$250,000 being paid to the school. Motion to approve by Selectman Mason, 2nd by Selectman Goodson. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes. YTD \$8,924,419.13.
- Appointment of Kristine Rines to the Library Trustee Board. Motion to approve by Selectman Mason, 2nd by Selectman Goodson. Selectman Streeter thanks Robin Gordon. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes

▪ **SELECTMEN’S UPDATE:**

- **Selectman Goodson:** Healing
- **Selectman Ricker:** Working; no update.
- **Selectman Streeter:** Had Karen contact Primex regarding the playground questions from residents. Passed the information on to Dan for him to follow up with.
- **Selectman Roberts:** Working; no update.
- **Selectman Mason:** Secretarial board work; budget work; Need to advertise for a new Health Officer. Will contact surrounding towns and advertise on website; updated webpage with meetings through December 2023.

- **PUBLIC INPUT:** TJ Eldridge watched the presentation and clarified the comments made about the Ossipee Transfer Station. Clarified that Ossipee does not move material multiple times. They have the same number of employees as Tamworth. Ossipee has only 1 building and has to store recyclables for

many months before they will make any money. Ossipee is a mandatory recycling facility and is not even close to having 35% recycling. 35% is a very hard percent to achieve; Maureen Diamond thanks Willie and the TSIC group for their work.

▪ **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 2022 Police Cruiser
- Nuisance Ordinance
- Job descriptions/Personnel Policies/Earned Time Policy

- **NON-PUBLIC:** Motion to enter into non-public under RSA 91-A:3 (c) for 3 sessions and under RSA 91-A:3 II (e) for 1 session at 8:01 PM by Selectman Mason, 2nd by Selectman Goodson. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes

Motion to come out of non-public at 8:50 PM be Selectman Mason, 2nd by Selectman Goodson. Roll call vote: Goodson – yes, Ricker – yes, Streeter – yes, Roberts – yes, Mason – yes.

- **ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn @ 8:50 PM by Selectman Ricker

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Anthony, Town Administrator

Rebecca Mason – Chairman

Melanie Streeter

Kelly Goodson

Aaron Ricker

Emery Roberts