

May 8, 2023

SELECTBOARD MINUTES

Present: Terry Bergeron, Chair; Tim DeMillo, Vice Chair; Tom Goding, Lee Ann Dalessandro, Gary McGrane, Shiloh LaFreniere, Town Manager; Raeleen York, Deputy Clerk,

Guests: Trinity Smith (Mt Blue TV), Donna Perry (Sun Journal), Paul Pomerleau, Richard Caton (Police Chief), Mark Holt (Sewer Superintendent), Cindy Bennett, Rosalie Marin, Larry Marin, Josh Ocharsky, Kaszi Smith, Tin Can

1. Pledge of Allegiance – 6:00 p.m. -Tim led the pledge.

2. Election of Chair and Vice Chair – M/M/S Tim/Tom nominated Terry for Chair. Vote 5-0-0. M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom nominated Tim as Vice Chair. Vote 5-0-0

3. Public Hearing to Set Sewer Rates – Terry opened the public hearing and there was discussion regarding the different rates that Mark had drafted. Terry closed the public hearing. M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to set the sewer rates at \$320 minimum use fee plus 0.10/cf for usage over 3200cf. Vote 5-0-0

4. Minutes – April 10, 2023 – M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to approve the Selectboard minutes from the April 10, 2023 meeting. Vote 5-0-0

5. Old Business – No discussion.

6. Tax Acquired Property Bid Openings – The town received 38 bids for the property at 163 Macomber Hill Road and 8 bids for the property at 7 Jewell Street. The 3 highest bids for 163 Macomber Hill Road were \$37,575 from Doug and Abby DiPasquale, \$24,600 from Randy Barker and Tony Bradley, and \$23,001 from Alfred Judd. The three highest bids for 7 Jewell Street were \$8,148 from Josh Ocharsky, \$8,000 from Phillip Quirion, and \$7,379 from Joseph Brickel. The Selectboard decided to award bids to the highest bidder on each property unless they decide not to purchase in which case the next highest bidder will be contacted and so forth. The bidder who is awarded has 10 days to pay. M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to accept the bid of \$37,575.00 from Doug and Abby DiPasquale for the property at 163 Macomber Hill Road. Vote 5-0-0 M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to accept the bid of \$8,148.00 from Josh Ocharsky for the property at 7 Jewell Street. Vote 5-0-0.

7. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds Update – Shiloh gave the Selectboard a spreadsheet of the ARPA expenditures so far. There is still over \$20,000 not committed to projects. Of the \$467,532.80 approved for spending, \$367,143.31 has been spent. There are still ongoing and pending projects.

8. Annual Selectboard Committee Appointments – M/M/S Lee Ann/Gary to appoint the same members to the committees as last year. Vote 5-0-0

Chair – Terry Bergeron

Vice Chair – Tim DeMillo

Solid Waste and Public Works – Tim DeMillo & Lee Ann Dalessandro

Road/Paving – Tom Goding & Terry Bergeron

Sewer – Terry Bergeron & Tim DeMillo
Fire Dept. – Tim DeMillo & Terry Bergeron
Town Office/Finance/PD – Terry Bergeron & Lee Ann Dalessandro
Recreation – Tom Goding & Lee Ann Dalessandro
Union – Tom Goding & Lee Ann Dalessandro
Cemetery Policy – Tom Goding & Lee Ann Dalessandro
Community Resilience Partnership – Lee Ann Dalessandro & Gary McGrane
AVCOG General Assembly – Gary McGrane
County Budget – Tom Goding & Gary McGrane

9. Annual Municipal Appointments – M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom appoint municipal positions as submitted. Vote 5-0-0

10. Board of Appeals Appointment – M/M/S Lee Ann/tom to re-appoint Joann Brown to the Board of Appeals as a regular member with a term to expire 5/2028. Vote 5-0-0

11. Treasurer’s Disbursement Policy – M/M/S Lee Ann/Tom to approve and sign the Treasurer’s Disbursement Policy. Vote 5-0-0

12. Spirit of America Award – Plan Presentation – M/M/S Terry/Tom to have the Spirit of America presentation hosted at the Pulp & Paper Museum on History Night, May 19th at 2:00 p.m. Vote 5-0-0

13. Other Business - Terry announced upcoming dates of interest.

14. Executive Session – MRS Title 1, Ch. 13, Sect. 405 ss 6.D Union Negotiations (PD and Town Office) – M/M/S - Tim/Tom to go into Executive Session under MRS Title 1 Chapter 13 Section 405, Subsection 6.D. Union Negotiations. Vote 5-0-0. Terry declared the Board out of Executive Session. M/M/S - Lee Ann/Gary to open negotiations with the Police Dept. Vote 4-1-0 Tom opposed. M/M/S - Tim/Lee Ann to negotiate with the Town Office Union regarding the Deputy Town Clerk position. Vote 5-0-0.

M/M/S – Tim/Gary to adjourn. Vote 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Raeleen M. York