



BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MEETING MINUTES  
August 16, 2023

**Present:** Marybeth Quill, Chairman, Karl Pruter, Vice Chairman, Bob Hamilton, Selectman, Lori Rautiola, Town Administrator, Betsy Lambert, Executive Secretary. Members of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Marybeth made a motion to enter into nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, II (a), Karl seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

At 6:04 p.m. the meeting reconvened. Marybeth made a motion to seal the nonpublic session as it could adversely affect the outcome. Karl seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

**Selectmen's Announcements:** Bob mentioned Dan Bemis is looking for counselors for Rec. Department programs. Karl mentioned the Paving had begun on Monday August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, on Kimball and Abel Road.

**Consent Agenda:** Approval of Payroll and Accounts Payable 8.10.2023 & 8.17.2023, Bob made a motion to approve Payroll & Accounts Payable, Marybeth seconded the motion it passed 3-0. Karl made a motion to accept the 7.19.2023 & 8.2.2023 meeting minutes with some small edits to them, Marybeth seconded the motion it passed 2-0. Bob abstained from both.

**Citizen's Forum:** Kelen Gieger asked if the website could be updated quicker than it has been in the past. She also requested that the meetings be video recorded. Roni Hamilton asked if there was a new moderator, Karla stated the Supervisors of the Checklist had met on Saturday August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and Kirk Stenerson was the new moderator for the Town of Rindge and that he had already been sworn in. Roberta Oeser made recommendation to put a shelf up for the video computer.

Ron Osimo mentioned Community Education Program sponsored by the Rindge Crime Watch on September 12, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. Mary Drew the Ceo of Reality Check an addiction and recovery and support organization in Jaffrey, and the towns Welfare director will speak about her work in the town and give a broader context of the current state of untreated mental health and addiction issues and needs that dovetail with this work. The program is open to all citizens of Rindge.

Craig Clark mentioned the CIP had lost a member Dick Isakson and that Tom Cooneys would be speaking to Lori about the moving forward for the CIP. He also mentioned Tel Teck might be able to help with a more efficient way to record and video the meeting.

**Old Business:** ARPA Updates: The carpet invoice for the final bill from Syds Carpet was \$64,734.45 of which \$30,000 had already been paid before the job started, the bill was off by \$5,183.75 due to the down stairs lobby carpet that was not in the original quote. The renovations had not been done when the estimate was given for the lobby area. Karl made a motion to pay the carpet invoice, Bob seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Police Academy Training Overtime: Rachel was not at the meeting so the discussion was tabled till next meeting.

Land Use Position Update: This position is now a planning board position and the planning board does their own hiring for the position. Roberta is going to put together a job title for the exact need for this position with hours and needs. Roberta requested the position be tabled till a plan was put in order for the needs. Karl asked Roberta for a timeline as to when this would be ready she said she had hoped to have it by the end of the weekend. Bob made a motion to accept a 28 hour a week position with 4 hrs. Allotted for the meetings every other week, Marybeth seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. Roberta will also be covering the planning Board office on Wednesday for the time being.

Police Detail Ordinance: Lori found a 2019 rates sheet from Dan Anair to compare to Rachel's increased rates it is a \$12 increase that the officer will get, the overtime fees and Rachel had the car fee at \$75.00 a day she has changed that to \$15.00 hour with a 4 hour minimum

**New Business:** : Abatement Application for Phyllis Sesia, Bob made a motion to allow the abatement for Phyllis Sesia for the Veterans Tax Credit that she did not receive for 2023 and she should have. Karl seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

**Informational Items/Communications & Updates\Any Other official Business to come before the Board:** There were 2 Special Event Permits for FPU Orientation move in weekend for September 26,-28<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and Football game. Bob made a motion to approve the events, Marybeth seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Karl made a motion to waive the fee for RMs sign permit of \$25.00. Marybeth seconded the motion and it passed 2-0. Bob was a nay.

Phil Mota mentioned there was a BAC meeting on August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7p.m. at Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Betsy Lambert