

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES March 29, 2023

Present: Bob Hamilton, Chairman, Marybeth Quill, Vice Chair, Karl Pruter, Selectman, Betsy Lambert, Executive Secretary, members of the public

Bob opened the meeting at the Town Office with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:00 pm on March 29th, 2023.

Selectmen's Announcements: Bob mentioned he could not be sworn into office until after 5pm on Friday the 31st because of the recount process needed for elected officials. Bob also mentioned there would be no official warrant articles until the next meeting. Bob thanked everyone for their help for the elections on the 28th. Rindge had 777 voters. Bob also mentioned the last Poor Meat Raffle of the season will be on Saturday, April 1st, at 1:30 at the Jaffrey VFW.

Citizen's Forum: Roni Hamilton thanked everyone who helped out or came to vote.

Consent Agenda: Payroll & Accounts Payable: 3.23.23 & 3.29.23 & 3.1.23 & 3.15.23 minutes. Karl made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda as written, Marybeth seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Old Business: There was no discussion on ARPA fund.

Rec Dept. Bus: Due to the old rec bus not passing inspection, Rec Director, Dan Bemis was able to bid on a used bus which totaled \$14,250. Funds were used from the Revolving Rec Account to make the purchase. Dan was also able to scrap the old bus for \$1,250. The Board approved the purchase of the bus. The bus is inspected and may need to be painted.

New Business:

<u>Title of Rec Bus</u>: Karl made a motion to allow Dan to sign the title of the old bus. Marybeth seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

<u>Intent to cut Excavate Map 8-11-2:</u> An intent to excavate was submitted by Jay Pittorino, Rindge Sand and Gravel. Bob made a motion to approve the Intent to Excavate. Marybeth seconded the motion and it passed 3-0

Informational Items/Communications & Updates:

Bob gave an update on the Town & Gown Meeting. Franklin Pierce will be expanding in Austin Texas. Bob announced the University is looking to partner with the Town on a grant from the Department of Justice for the prevention of violence against women. This would not cost the Town anything and would give the Police Officers free trainings. The next Town and Gown is scheduled for May 16th, 2023

Any Other Official Business before the Board: The Board approved an abatement in the amount of \$147.41 per the Tax Collector's recommendation due to an error on the residents address. Karl made a motion to approve the abatement in the amount of \$147.41. Marybeth seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Rindge Memorial Elementary School is conducting a building project and fees are usually waived for the schools. Karl made a motion to waive the fees, Marybeth seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Kim McCummings asked for permission to hold the Farmers Market in West Rindge Village Park. The Farmers Markets will start May 18[,] 3-6 p.m., and run through October 5th- Marybeth made a motion to allow the dates proposed for the Farmers Market. Karl seconded the motion it passed 3-0.

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Lambert Executive Secretary