



**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
March 01, 2023**

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

The meeting was called to order at the Town Office on March 1st, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. Bob made a motion to enter into nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3 II (a) and (b). Karl seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

The Meeting reconvened at 6:00 p.m. Bob led the Pledge of Allegiance. Bob made a motion to seal the second session of the nonpublic meeting due to reputation. Marybeth seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Bob announced the POOR Meat Raffle would be on Saturday March 4th, at 1:30 p.m., Voting will be on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at RMS from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

CITIZEN'S FORUM: Sharon Rasku questioned if the Road Weight Limit had been posted. Bob mentioned Mike Cloutier would make the decision and it would be posted at least a week in advance in the newspaper and the signs will be posted at the beginning of those roads. Sharon also asked when the voter's guide will go out and Lori responded they would go out Friday, March 3rd. Ron Osimo announced that the Rindge Crime Watch will be donating a camera for the bell tower at the Meetinghouse.

Ron stated he would like to introduce Sergeant Major Michael Perrault of the First Battalion, 25th Marines. Mr. Perrault is currently on active duty, stationed at Fort Devens, Massachusetts. Ron added Mr. Perrault is new to Rindge and he would like to volunteer his time or work should the Town need any assistance. The Board welcomed the Sergeant Major and thanked him for his service

CONSENT AGENDA: Accounts Payable 2.23.23 & 3.02.23 & 2.01.23 & 2.15.23 minutes. Marybeth made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda as written. Karl seconded the motion it passed 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

ARPA : There was a discussion on ARPA funds. Marybeth suggested putting aside ARPA funds for the pump replacement on Engine 2 and the SCBAs. She stated since the Board pulled those

items off the warrant they should be set aside to alleviate the burden on the taxpayers. Chief Donovan received quotes for the F550 XL on the Brush Truck Chassis. It was mentioned that the DPW and the Meeting House are still in need new wells. Chief Donovan was able to find the touchless faucets, paper towel holders and soap dispensers for all of the Town buildings at 60% off the normal price.-\$3069.39 is the total amount for all the Town buildings except the Police Dept. which have already been replaced. Karl made a motioned to accept the quote in the amount of \$3069.39 for the touchless faucets to be paid from ARPA. Marybeth seconded the motion and it passed 3-0

Assessing Contract Update: Lori noted KRT accepted the Board's offer for a one-year contract with KRT. A representative will be back in the Assessing office starting next week.

Argent & Charter/Spectrum Transfer: Lori and Teletech Committee reps, Craig Clark and Phil Motta will attend a Zoom call with John Mayer of Charter Communications on Thursday March 2, at 2:15 to discuss the next steps on the transfer from Argent.

Land use Position: There was a brief discussion on the proposed Land Use position. Bob opened the floor to public comment. There was few comments on the position. Richard Mellor stated the position is needed and urged the Board to fill the vacancy. It was noted a complete job description would be helpful to determine the salary for candidates.

ANY OTHER OFFICIAL BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD: Richard Mellor offered the Board some information on the Jeanne Shaheen congressional district spending request. Stating funds are available for the Town we just need to apply. Richard was present on behalf of the Energy Commission and was seeking funds for the playground and tennis courts at Wellington Park. Bob stated it was too late to take a vote on information received at this moment.

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Lambert
Executive Secretary