



BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
July 5, 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 the Town Office on July 5th, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Selectmen's Announcements: Karl mentioned that there was a great turnout for the Family Festival. The Board thanked all the volunteers for their hard work. Bob mentioned the carpet has begun to be installed and was going good.

Consent Agenda: Bob made a motion to accept the 6.21.2023 meeting minutes, Karl seconded the motion it passed 3-0. Bob made a motion to accept the Payroll & Accounts Payable for 6.29.2023 & 7.06.2023. Karl seconded the motion it passed 2-0-1 (Marybeth abstained from 6-29-23 payroll and accounts payable).

Bob stated the town has received the projected payment amounts from SAU #47. The monthly amount went up to \$1,136,292. Bob mentioned Lori has asked the Board to consider what some of their goals may be, short and long-term. He stated this will be one of his goals to find a way to relieve the tax burden of the school's budget. He mentioned Rindge has fewer students in Rindge and pays more in taxes than Jaffrey. He would like to work to get the amounts at least to an equal portion. Marybeth requested this information be placed on the Town's website for residents to see.

Old Business:

Update on Proposals for Town Office Phone System: The decision was made to go with Crexendo for the new phone system and the Town will receive 3 months free of service if the decision was made by June 30th, 2023. The total cost of the new phones will be \$2,400. Bob made a motion to accept the Crexendo proposal, Karl seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

New Business:

Approval of Rec. Dept. Facility Energy RFP: The Board discussed the request for proposal for the Rindge Energy Project presented by the Energy Commission. The estimate was \$12,000 with this grant it will be estimate \$10,000. Bob thanked the Energy Commission for the time spent

on this project Karl made a motion to allow Lori to post the RFP. Bob seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Informational Items/Communications & Updates: Bob read the email chain between himself and the Chair of the Jaffrey Board of Selectman about a Solar Project Grant. (See attached Email)

The meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Lambert