



**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
April 13, 2022**

Present: Bob Hamilton, Chair, Marybeth Quill, Vice Chair, and Karl Pruter (Remotely), Selectmen; Sara Gravell, Town Administrator, Amanda Urmann, Secretary; and members of the public.

Public session opened at 5:03 pm. Bob motioned to enter non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (b)(c). Hiring and reputation. Second by Marybeth, motion passed. Roll call vote 3-0.

Public session re-opened at 6:03PM.

There was 4 non-public sessions. Bob motioned to seal sessions 2 and 3, Marybeth seconded. Roll call vote 3-0.

Per RSA 91:A2 3B, Bob states that the Board, Marybeth and himself, have allowed Karl to participate remotely. All votes at this meeting, because of Karl being remote, will be by roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Selectmen announcements:

Bob mentions that Roberta Oeser is looking for people to volunteer to help run for the 4th of July Family Day.

Citizens' forum:

Roberta Oeser brings up the 4th of July Family Festival Celebration. POOR has pledged \$2,000 for the fireworks and also brings up the Pavilion Fund that has \$1,200 that hasn't been used in years that could be used for the band possibly.

Jason Scott read a letter about his experiences in Rindge since moving to town a few years back. This letter highlighted property crime that he has experienced on his own property, which includes him being assaulted during one of these times. In his speech, he mentioned how quick to act the officers were to help him during this assault. The main purpose of his letter was to express how he doesn't think that the officers in town get paid enough for what they have to do and what is expected out of them. He is requesting to get something on the agenda for the next meeting to get a pay increase for the current officers and future officers.

Public Hearing (RSA 31:95(B)):

This public hearing is about conservation land that is to be purchased by the town, in which funds have been raised through grants and donations.

- NH Land & Community Heritage Investment Program (\$125,000)
- Moose Plate (\$10,000)
- NH Drinking Water/Ground Water Trust Fund (\$22,160)
- Anonymous Donor (\$50,000)
- Fields Pond Foundation Inc. (Waltham, MA - \$10,000)
- Davis Foundation (Yarmouth, ME - \$20,000)
- Roy A. Hunt Foundation (\$10,000)

Total Amount to be voted on: \$247,160

David Druin says that this property is regarding a project that is for Rindge Stone & Gravel. The land to be purchased would be roughly 225 acres. The address is 538 Old New Ipswich Rd.

Debbie Qualey asked about the \$26,000 that was raised by the town residents and organizations that donated less than \$10,000 each. David verifies this and said most of these donations were for \$500 and \$1,000 donations and there were about 50 donors.

Marybeth motioned to accept \$247,160 for the purchase of this land in pursuant to RSA 31:95(b). Karl 2nd. Roll call vote 3-0-0

Bob motioned to authorize the Town Administrator, Sara Gravell, to sign on behalf of the Board of Selectmen for the certificate of vote. Marybeth 2nd. Roll call 3-0-0

Consent Agenda:**1. Approval of:**

- Minutes 3/30/2022 Public Session, 3/30/2022 Non Public (5 sessions)
- Payroll 3/31/2022, 4/7/2022
- Accounts payable 3/31/2022, 4/7/2022
- Intent to Cut Map 6, Lot 34-2, 34-3
- Camper Permit Map 19, Lot 11
- Selling Flowers Transfer Station for Destination Imagination
- Registration Refund Request
- Special Event Application: 5k Shin Splints for Bryce 4/16/22

Chandra Olin, from BMSDI, to be allowed to sell flowers at the Transfer Station for up to 2 occasions.

\$316.06 to be reimbursed to requester for the Town's portion only of a motor vehicle registration.

Bob motioned to accept consent agenda. Marybeth 2nd. Roll call 3-0-0

Bob motioned to accept 4/14/2022 Accounts Payable and Payroll. Marybeth 2nd. Roll call 2-0-1 (Karl Pruter abstained.)

2. Old Business

- a) ARPA

This discussion was tabled due to a meeting being held 4/14/2022 with the department heads.

3. New Business

a) Gravel Road Policy

Mike Cloutier proposed a new policy and has written down exactly what he does for gravel roads. It's a continuation of the way he maintains the gravel roads as he does currently. He listed it out by season on exactly what he does. To be posted online.

Karl motioned to accept Gravel Road Policy. Marybeth 2nd. Roll call vote 3-0-0

b) Recreation Light Replacement Presentation

Pat Martin mentions that this is more than just replacing ball field lights. She mainly speaks to mention that these 3 projects (field lights, tennis court and the playscape) need updates and funding so that they can become more efficient for the town.

Dan Bemis went on to explain how these updates would be beneficial to town and why they were needed and how these grants they want to apply for would be helpful to pay for these to get fixed/completed.

These projects are to be started in 2023.

Karl motioned for these 3 proposals to go forward with applying with the understanding that the tennis court and the park require legislative body approval and for him to sign to be the contact person. Marybeth 2nd. Roll call 2-1-0 (Bob voted no.)

4. Informational Items/Communications/Updates None

Any other official business to come before the board.

Bob brings up to allow Laure May to attend the NHGFOA Annual Conference 2022.

Meeting adjourned at 7:28PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Urmann

Executive Secretary