

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES September 14, 2022

Present: Bob Hamilton, Chair, Marybeth Quill, Vice Chair, and Karl Pruter, Selectman, Laurie May, Finance Director, Amanda Urmann, Executive Secretary

Pledge of Allegiance.

Public session opened at 6:00pm.

Selectmen announcements:

Karl mentioned that the election from the previous day was well run and gave compliments to Charlie Eicher and Karla MacLeod and those who helped run the election. Bob and Marybeth agreed with this statement and also thanked everyone who helped.

Bob mentioned that the General Election will be on Tuesday, November 8th, 2022 held at Rindge Memorial School from 7am to 7pm.

Rindge Women's Club Harvest Fair will be held on Saturday, September 24th, 2022 from 9am to 2pm at the Rindge Recreation Department.

The Board has decided to hire a new Town Administrator, who is scheduled to start on Monday, September 19th. This person is familiar with the workings and the town offices and knows almost all personnel as well. This person has been studying public administration, including grant writing and grant application writing, and has been doing so for the last 2 years and will continue studying. This person is probably is probably known by most of you. Our next Town Administrator is Lori Rautiola. We welcome Lori and are pleased to have her with us once again.

Citizen's Forum:

Charlie Eicher thanked everyone who worked on the election yesterday. There was some communication issues, which lead to no-shows and a few people who did double duty shifts. Everyone did their job very well. Charlie also mentioned that the first time the numbers were reconciled, they came out the closest they have ever come, so he was very proud of the people who worked to make that happen. There were only 41 write-ins to count and 3 hand count ballots, but it still took over an hour and a half to do these countings. In the end, the numbers worked out well.

David Druin asked the Board if they have heard anything, if ever, about the water/well issue that Hannaford was having. David was wondering if the Town was ever notified of this. Bob and Marybeth hadn't seen anything in regards to this and Karl said that he had seen a letter.

Consent Agenda:

Approval of:

- Minutes 8/31/2022, 8/31/2022 Non Public Sessions
- Payroll 9/8/2022, 9/15/2022
- Accounts payable 9/8/2022, 9/15/2022
- RAMS Raffle Request

The RAMS Raffle will start immediately after approval. A raffle drawing will be awarded at the Tree Lighting Ceremony on the Common.

Marybeth motioned to approve the consent agenda as written. Karl seconded. 3-0

1. Old Business

a) Additional Agenda Item* ARPA

Mike is soliciting people to look at costs of the design of the septic system for the town building and the town truck. The large projects are currently the main focus to get those approved and done.

2. New Business

a) Conservation Commission – acceptance of a donation of canoe and trailer This donation is from the West Rindge Church.

This is to be accepted under RSA 36-A:4 I.

Karl motioned to allow the Conservation Commission to accept the donation of the canoe and trailer from the West Rindge Church. Marybeth seconded. 3-0

3. Informational Items/Communications/Updates

Karl: The RAMS are having a raffle. There hasn't been many fundraising opportunities in the recent past and the RAMS have suffered from this so this fundraiser will greatly help them. If you know any Rindge veterans that are not on the mailing list, they will be handing out turkeys the Sunday after Veterans Day. Bob thanked Ray Gagne for getting more actively involved again.

Any other official business to come before the board.

None.

Meeting adjourned at 6:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Urmann Executive Secretary