

**Town of Freedom  
Selectmen's Meeting  
Thursday, April 30, 2020**

Present were Selectmen Leslie Babb, Ernest Day, Jr., and Alan Fall, and Ellen White, Town Administrator, who recorded the minutes. This meeting was held at the Town Hall and was also available on the Zoom platform. Also in attendance was Scott Brooks; no one was present on Zoom.

Chairman Babb called the meeting to order at 7:30 AM.

**Discussion:**

Babb announced the Boards' proposal to initiate a hiring freeze for all employees due to the potential lack of revenue from the pandemic and also lack of incentive to pay taxes based on the Governor's Executive Orders that have been issued. Babb stated that the Board anticipates no receipt of Room & Meals Tax Revenue or Highway Block Grant Aid in addition to a reduction in the percentage of tax collection.

Brooks informed the Board that he had already offered a summer seasonal position to someone. Babb requested further discussion take place in a non-public session as they would be discussing personnel and compensation. White requested the Board review with Brooks the highway-related cuts that had been made including paving, sand storage building, and Swett Hill Road reclamation in preparation for the loss of anticipated revenue.

**Non-Public Session:**

Babb made a motion to enter into a non-public session at 7:42 AM pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a) for a personnel matter. Fall seconded. Roll call vote was taken: Babb-yes, Fall-yes, Day-yes. All in favor, the motion carried. Babb made a motion to reconvene public session at 8:19 AM. Day seconded. All in favor, the motion carried.

Being no further input, Babb made a motion to adjourn. Fall seconded. All in favor, the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:19 AM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ellen White  
Town Administrator

Approved by the Board of Selectmen on \_\_\_\_\_:

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Leslie R. Babb

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Ernest F. Day, Jr.

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Alan G. Fall