

**Selectmen's Meeting
Monday, March 20, 2023**

Chairman Les Babb called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Present were Selectmen Les Babb, Ernie Day and Melissa Florio, and Stacy Bolduc Town Administrator, who recorded these minutes. This meeting was held at the Town Office.

Also in attendance was Scott Brooks, Jamie Mullen, and Charlene MacCurtain.

Public: Brian and Cheryl Taylor, Marcia Santner, Janice Zecher, Roberta MacCarthy, Paul Elie, Bonnie Elie, Joyce Watson, Fred Watson, Dan Driscoll, and Alan Fall

Review of Mail, Sign Manifests, Approval of Minutes:

The accounts payable and payroll manifests, and red folder including correspondence was reviewed.

Ernie made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 6th and 13th, 2023 Selectmen's Meetings and Non-Public Session. Melissa seconded. All in favor, the motion passed.

Election of Officers

Ernie made a motion to elect Les Babb as Chairman, seconded by Melissa.

Discussion: Melissa requested that she and Ernie be coached chairing meetings. She suggested rotating meetings to get some experience and Les would Coach.

Motion passed: 3-0-0.

Department Head Updates:

Highway Department – Scott briefed the board that the road bans are still on and no exceptions will be made for the next two weeks at least. He is hoping to lift the ban the second week in April.

Police Department – Jamie stated that patrolling is up other than nothing to really report.

Fire-Rescue Department – Was not present due to attending a Mutual Aid meeting.

Transfer Station – Charlene MacCurtain reported she would like two people to get licensed for becoming operators. She priced out getting rid of electronics. Les proposed that the first dump sticker cost a resident \$20.00 and if they need a second it would cost \$5.00 as long as the address is the same on the registration.

Town Meeting Recap

Brian Taylor thanked the Board for an efficient meeting. Articles

Article #19 was discussed regarding installing a new culvert on Watson Hill. The question was asked if the culvert would be as big as the one on Swett's Hill. Scott stated it would be smaller. The job should take about four (4) days to do and requested the road be closed while the work is being done. Anyone on Watson Hill will have to use Burnham Rd while the work is being done.

Public Comment:

Marcia Santner questioned where the culvert is located that will be replaced. Scott explained where and answered Melissa's question about the equipment rate and if the project will go to bid. The Highway department will do the culvert replacement and equipment costs will be a town rates or Milton Cat's rate. Selectman unanimously agreed the road would be closed for the culvert replacement and Scott will work with the Town Administrator to get the road closure posted when it's time.

Article 20 was briefly discussed that Road Agent Scott Brooks will work with Charlene to draft a design for the transfer station reconfiguration and the Town Admin was asked to find the quote Justin Brooks got the new building.

Appointment(s):

Allan Fall came before the Board to discuss his concern over the recent warrant article for Green Burials. He questioned if the Town had reached out to the Town Attorney and expressed his concern on how they would be enforced or if they can be enforced. He also is concerned about winter burials and how if the Town cat dictate to a private entity like Lake View that they have to allow them.

Melissa stated she reached out to Attorney Garrow and found out they are enforceable and the warrant article was correct in its wording.

Public Input:

None presented.

Old / New Business / Discussion:

Non-Public Session(s):

Les made a motion enter into a non-public session at 7:47 PM pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c), personnel. Ernie seconded. Roll call vote was taken: Ernie-yes, Melissa-yes, Les-yes. All in favor, the motion passed. Les made a motion to resume public session at 7:50 PM. Ernie seconded. All in favor, the motion passed.

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favor, the motion passed. Les made a motion to resume public session at 7:57 PM. Ernie seconded. All in favor, the motion passed.

Adjournment:

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Consent Agenda:

Accounts Payable – Week ending 3/17/2023	Approved
Payroll Manifest – Week ending 3/15/2023	Approved
Minutes – Selectmen’s Meeting & Non-Public Sessions– 3/6 & 13/2023	Approved
Request for Abatement – N/A	
Supplemental Property Tax Warrant – N/A	

Correspondence:

Newsletter – NHMA Legislative Bulletin No. 11	Reviewed
Jeff Nicole email regarding 95 Burnham Rd	Reviewed
Amy Smagula- email re Primex ins. coverage	Reviewed

Respectfully submitted,
Stacy Bolduc, Town Administrator

Approved by the Board of Selectmen on _____:

Leslie R. Babb

Ernest F. Day, Jr.

Melissa M. Florio