

**Selectmen's Meeting**  
**Wednesday, August 30, 2023**

Present were Chairman Les Babb, Selectmen Ernie Day, Melissa Florio, and Lindsay Pettingill, Administrative Assistant, who recorded these minutes. This meeting was held at the Town Hall.  
Also in attendance: Rob Cunio, Mark Mckinnly, Jay Hounsell, Paul Elie

**Public Meeting**

Chairman Babb called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Chief Cunio updated the board that he went on the municipal website and his impression was that they did not want anything to do with the old rescue and would not have gotten a reasonable price for it. He checked fire trucks unlimited, and there were a couple of trucks comparable to the rescue going for 20,000 and one walk in style with half the miles our rescue has, and they were asking for \$60,000 as a starting price. The municipal website had a couple of 550 dump trucks, and they were bided on for 4,500-8,000. Rob was looking for direction on where to post the old rescue. Les suggested putting it out to bid with a minimum bid \$15,000. Discussion ensued around numbers and trying to get rid of it by winter. Rob will get pictures and the link to Lindsay. The starting bid will be \$15,000 with a reserve of \$20,000. Bids will close two days before the September 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**3:15 Proposals for Fire Escape**

The proposal for replacing the fire escape at 33 Old Portland Rd. from Jay Hounsell came in at \$42,680.00. Les supports Mark and Zoning Officer Gary Williams meeting with Jay at the town office to review the proposal as written. Lighting is not involved in the quote and will need to be looked at. An electrician will need to evaluate the lighting. Jay could start the project in late September, and it will take 6-8 weeks to complete. Jay will meet with Mark Mckinnley and Gary Williams to review the project. Stacy would talk to the Department of Revenue regarding emergency expenditure. The board was in agreement with moving forward.

**Les made a motion, to move forward with the fire escape if Mark and Gary agreed with the proposal, and Stacy would start the paperwork with the Department of Revenue; Ernie seconded the motion; Motion passed 3-0-0.**

The \$1,600.00 for the engineering costs and the lighting needs to be added to the project.

Paul Eli questioned how the replacement factors into what the advisory committee is doing. Les responded we are still 2-3 years away from a solution to the Town Office.

*Les made a motion enter into a non-public session at 3:28 pm pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a), employee Ernie seconded. Roll call vote was taken: Les-yes, Ernie-yes, Melissa-yes. All in favor, the motion passed. Ernie made a motion to resume public session at 3:30 PM. Ernie seconded. All in favor, the motion passed.*

*Les made a motion for Chief Mullen to authorize the dog in light of the retention of officer Cyr and the donations he has received, Ernie Seconded the motion; Motion passed 3-0-0.*

**Ernie made a motion to adjourn the meeting, motion seconded by Les at 3:35 p.m. Motion passed 3-0-0.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Stacy Bolduc, 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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Melissa M. Florio

