## Town of Freedom Selectmen's Meeting Monday, February 19, 2024

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

Also, presents were Darwin Moulton, Allen Fall, Don Johnson Richard & Jennifer Ulrich.

## Review of Mail, Sign Manifests, Approval of Minutes

The accounts payable and payroll manifests were reviewed as well as the red folder containing correspondence.

Ernie made a motion to accept the February 12, 2024, meeting minutes as written, Motion was seconded by Melissa; Motion passed unanimously.

The board met for the sole purpose of discussing if the proposed bond language from the bond bank should be added to the warrant where the language was not available to the public at the bond hearing. Stacy gave an overview of how the language was omitted from the bond hearing. The language was to define articles 7 and 8 for the Town Office was *either or, not both*. Stacy explained that Les came in while Stacy was talking to the bond bank and stated he was not comfortable adding the language after the bond hearing. The sentence that was being added to article 8 stated at the end of it, if Article 7 passed then Article 8 is null in void.

Ernie and Melissa did not support the added language. Ernie said it will be important that the moderator make it clear that the voter should vote for one or the other.

The board agreed with not adding the additional language to the warrant article. Melissa explained that she did not vote the night of the bond hearing how she intended to. She changed her vote to in favor of the <u>NEW</u> town office. That vote now reads 1-1-1.

Don reviewed the voting process and how the discussion will be conducted on the articles. Stacy will set a phone call up with Don and the bond bank to make sure how he wants to conduct the meeting is appropriate for articles 7 and 8.

Don confirmed on voting day March 12<sup>th</sup> is all set for everything to be set up and election workers will park at the ball field and be shuttled to the town hall. The parking signs will also be put up.

Les made a motion for the trustee of the trust funds to take \$921.38 from the Municipal Land and Buildings Trust, Melissa seconded the motion; Motion passed unanimously.

## Agenda item next Week:

Hiring a transfer station manager.

Being no further input, Florio made a motion to adjourn. Day seconded. All in favor, the motion passed. Adjourned at 7:25 pm.

## **Consent Agenda:**

Minutes – Selectmen's Meeting – 2/12/2024 Approved
Payroll Manifest – week ending –2/14/2024 Approved
Accounts Payable Manifest – week ending 2/16/2024 Approved

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| Correspondence:                    |                    |   |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| Devine Millimet Engagement Lette   | r                  | Reviewed  |
| Estimate for Cameras at the Transf | er Station         | Reviewed  |
| Transfer Station Ad for Supervisor |                    | Reviewed  |
| Charter Communications Check       |                    | Reviewed  |
| Justin Kate                        |                    | Reviewed  |
| D1 FEMA                            |                    | Reviewed  |
| 2024 Warrant signed                |                    | Reviewed  |
| Approved by the Board of Selectme  | en on              | Respectfully submitted, Stacy Bolduc, Town Administrator: |
| Leslie R. Babb                     | Ernest F. Day, Jr. | Melissa M. Florio   |