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BOARD OF SELECTMEN
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**Selectmen's Meeting Final Minutes
4:30pm – Town Offices**

Monday, February 5, 2024

Present: Chairman Pike, Selectman Albee, Selectman Bob Murray, Dennis Zilembo Parks & Rec, Chief Shagoury, Jim Bean Road Agent, Town Administrator Audrey Fraizer, and Administrative Secretary Cami Wakefield.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Pike called the BOS meeting to order at approximately 4:40p.m. due to technical difficulties and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC INPUT

Max Ledoux wanted to talk to the selectmen about firing the police chief and told the selectmen that they can fire without cause as a "group". Selectman Albee let Max know that he should be patient.

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Selectman Murray made a motion to approve the draft minutes as written of 1.8.2024, Selectman Albee seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Selectman Murray made a motion to approve the Non-Public session draft minutes as written of 1.8.2024, Chairman Pike seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Selectman Murray made a motion to approve the draft minutes as corrected for 1.29.2024, Selectman Albee seconded, motion carried 3-0.

APPOINTMENTS

Parks & Rec director Dennis Zilembo presented the following update. Commission will be meeting tomorrow, there was another local National winner in Las Vegas at the punt pass and kick convention and it was a great trip, corn hole on had 4 show up, adult dodgeball had 25 show up, ice fest was this past Saturday, next Monday is paint class up at the Town house, Easter Egg hunt is tentatively at Camp Sentinel unless there is too much snow and there will be a brand new Easter Bunny suit that is beautiful this year, Feb 24 at 5:00pm will be the cookout that was

rescheduled from this past Saturday, and finally Dennis is happy to announce that Ella will be coming back this year as swim lesson teacher.

Chief Shagoury presented the attached update. The Chief also announced his retirement effective February 28, 2024. The Selectmen asked T.A. Audrey to get an ad out for the Chiefs position next week.

Jim Bean presented the attached update.

SIGNATURE FILE

Chairman Pike made a motion to sign the Personnel Action Form for the Transfer Station to hire a per diem, Selectman Murray seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Selectman Murray made a motion to sign the Petition and Pole License, Selectman Albee seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Selectman Albee made a motion to sign the Tax Map Maintenance Proposal, Selectman Murray seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Selectman Murray made a motion to sign the Veterans Exemption for Map 46-2-14, Selectman Albee seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Selectman Albee made a motion to sign the Conservation Easement Deed Map 15-2-33, Selectman Murray seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Selectman Albee made a motion to sign the Great Meadow Expansion Conservation Easement, Selectman Murray seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Selectman Albee made a motion to sign the Signature Card from Meredith Village Savings Bank for the Agriculture Account, Chairman Pike seconded, motion carried 3-0.

ACTION ITEMS

Warrant Articles – the selectmen made some final changes to the warrant articles and put them in number order.

Selectman Albee made a motion to leave the Title on the Warrant with the article numbers, Selectman Murray seconded, motion carried 2-1. Chairman Pike was adamant that they be removed and remain the same as they have in the past.

Selectman Albee made a motion to eliminate the descriptions on the warrant articles, Chairman Pike seconded, motion carried 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE

Chief Shagoury's resignation
Memo from TS – electronics basement cleanout
Library report – January
Board of Adjustment – equitable waiver – Peter Way
Email from Randy Owen
Wetlands permit – Map 2-1-12 Mason Rd

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND SELECTMEN'S UPDATE

T.A. Audrey has been working on the NHRS and we had a preliminary audit last week. She would like to thank the Transfer Station for cleaning the basement of the Town office out. Representative Mark McConkey will be coming to the February 20 selectmen's meeting to meet with the selectmen about the 10yr road plan. Audrey let the selectmen know that she figured out the betterment and that she sent out an email to departments to let them know we will be going to a bi-weekly accounts payable. Audrey hopes to get caught up on the budget committee this week.

Chairman Pike and Susan Weeks attended a meeting in Wolfeboro AG and the State AG was there to talk. There were a lot of good points that were made. Federal Government and State Regs conflict and they are trying to figure that out.

Selectman Albee went to the Budget Committee meeting last week and asked each member what they want to know about solar and across the board the answer was fiscal.

ADJOURNMENT

At approximately 6:38pm Selectman Murray made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Selectman Albee seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Cami Wakefield, Administrative Secretary

Memo

To: Selectmen
From: Chief Shagoury
Date: 02/05/2024
Re: January 2024 Activity

Call out:

1/5 Alarm
1/8 Fire

Training:

Prioritizing Officer Wellness, De-escalation, Implicit Bias, Ethics

Activity from January 1 to the end of January:

| Category | 2023 | 2024 |
|---------------------|------|------|
| Motor Vehicle Stops | 15 | 4 |
| Summons | 2 | 0 |
| Accidents | 1 | 2 |
| Arrests | 0 | 1 |
| Felonies | 2 | 0 |
| Offenses | 4 | 6 |
| Incidents | 11 | 9 |
| Calls for Service | 397 | 276 |

SELECTMEN UPDATE
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
2/4/24

- Since January 1st we were called out to plow and/or treat the roads 18 times. Most of the snow was in the higher elevations.
- In between the snow we have been
 - filling the sand shed that was nearly empty in the beginning of January.
 - Cleaning off catch basins and cutting in water drains in the snowbanks.
 - Cutting back limbs that are reaching in over the roads when snow loads on them. They are more noticeable when you are in the town truck and limbs are bouncing off the mirror and windshield.
- We have cut many dead Ash trees that died from Ash Bore
- We built a new guardrail on Phineas Graves Road after all the trees died on the side of the stone culvert bridge.
- We did storm repairs on road edges after the late December rainstorm.

Jim Bean
Road Agent