

*Selectmen's Meeting Minutes*

**Monday, September 13, 2021** meeting held at Police Department Training Room, Hinsdale

Present: Chair Diorio, Selectman Bernie Rideout, Selectman Mike Carrier, and Selectman Richard Johnson; T.A. Jill Collins and Kim Worden. Selectman Megan Kondrat was excused. Bob Truesdell was present and Lt. Melissa Evans attended for Chief Rataj.

6:00 p.m. Chair Diorio called the meeting to order.

Selectman Carrier **made a motion** to approve the manifests of 8/30/21, 9/7/21, and 9/13/21 and minutes both public and non-public of 8/23/21, second by Rideout. The vote is as follows: Diorio-aye, Rideout-aye, Carrier-aye, and Johnson-aye. Motion passes unanimously.

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T.A. Collins mentioned that she would have non-publics re: hiring and Chair Diorio added that he would have a non-public re: personnel at the end of the meeting.

*New Business:*

First presented was an application for Open Container/Alcohol Permit for Jacob Burgmeier for wedding at Community Center on 10/9/21. Selectman Carrier **made a motion** for the Chair to sign the Burgmeier permit, second by Johnson. Motion passes unanimously.

Next, an Application for Open Container/Alcohol Permit for Clarissa Taylor-Wesley for Family Get-Together on 9/19/21 at the Pavilion was presented. Selectman Johnson **made a motion** to have the Chair sign the permit for Taylor-Wesley, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

A Delinquent Water Notice re: disconnection to be signed by Select Board was discussed. Selectman Carrier **made a motion** to approve the letter for signatures, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

An Application for Driveway Permit for Richard J. Parent for driveway on Map 25 Lot 7 Plain Road (#475 Plain Road) was mentioned. Selectman Johnson **made a motion** to approve the driveway permit for Parent, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

Next, a Vendor Permit Application for Sean Smith, B.S. Smoking Sauces and BBQ, for an event at Runnings on September 25, 2021 was presented. Selectman Johnson **made a motion** to approve the Permit Application for Smith at Runnings on September 25<sup>th</sup>. Second by Carrier. Motion passes unanimously.

Finally, a Municipality Land Use Change Tax Bill for John Lamay, 362 Northfield Road, Hinsdale, NH (partial release) was discussed. Selectman Johnson **made a motion** to approve the Land Use Change Tax Bill for Lamay, second by Carrier. Motion passes unanimously.

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*T.A. Reports/Requests:*

T.A. Collins gave the Board a printout of Website Usage from 8/13/21-9/13/21 for their review showing total page views on the Town's site during that timeframe. Brief discussion followed.

T.A. Collins also handed out a Consumer Price Index for the Board to review regarding cost-of-living increases. She indicated that 4.3% is one rate for Northeast and 4.2% is a rate for New England Division. She added that Social Security will have an increase of 6% by January. She was looking for direction from the Board and went over a breakdown of

costs that have gone up in our area. Discussion followed. Selectman Rideout **made a motion to table** the discussion on cost-of-living increases, second by Johnson. Motion passes unanimously.

T.A. Collins will be in California for two weeks during budget season and has talked to Rick. She is working with Rick on the budget process so that he can fill in for her while she is away. Town Reports need to be at the printers by the 15<sup>th</sup> of February. She also mentioned that she will ask Kim and Kathryn to do Minutes for budget season.

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*Board Comments:*

Selectman Rideout had a meeting with the Rec Committee and they are interested in capability for accepting credit card payments. He added that T.A. Collins answered his questions earlier on this: it can't be done now but is in the works.

Selectman Johnson asked if the final audit was done. T.A. Collins responded yes but no reports in hand yet. She should have the MS 35 by the end of September in order to help set the tax rate. She also responded to another question, stating that short utility poles are taxed; we are waiting for Consolidated to switch theirs over and at this point we are taxing. Selectman Johnson followed with a question re: an email list for the Newsletter. T.A. Collins indicated that Kathryn is handling this and is away this week. Selectman Johnson suggested that anyone interested in the Newsletter, to please forward their address to Kathryn. T.A. Collins added that this could be added to the next newsletter.

Selectman Carrier mentioned the Library Trustees Meeting. He informed the Board that unfortunately, Melissa Worden resigned. She offered to assist for a couple of weeks, however that timeframe may have passed. T.A. Collins indicated that the position was posted on the Town website. Selectman Carrier has a Conservation Committee Meeting this Wednesday. Hinsdale Cleanup will be on October 10<sup>th</sup> from 8-10. Bags can be picked up at the Millstream Community Center and at the Scout Hall on Plain Road.

Chair Diorio spoke of the Board discussion and the School Board discussion of the possibility of a shared HR position. The HR employee at the school is retiring and T.A. Collins also has future plans of that nature. The opportunity to discuss and plan is now. He added that the 20<sup>th</sup> is the joint meeting with the School Board and the public can also give input. There is the idea to use the Community Center for the HR office. This would free up some of Jill's hours to work on grants and other things. Jill added her concerns, including that there is not much room for the secured files at the Community Center. It was pointed out that these things will need to be figured out.

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*Citizen Comments:*

The Board viewed the new, recently-delivered cruiser, with Lt. Evans.

T.A. Collins indicated that she was getting ready to get the Community Room at Town Hall ready for meetings to take place there again.

It was announced that the Board would be entering into non-public session.

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6:34 p.m. Selectman Carrier made **a motion to enter into non-public session** under RSA 91: A-3, II, (b)- hiring with Bob Truesdell, Highway Superintendent, second by Johnson. The vote was as follows: Carrier-aye; Diorio-aye; Johnson-aye; and Rideout-aye. Motion passes unanimously.

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6:40 p.m. regular meeting reconvened. Bob Truesdell left the meeting.

Selectman Johnson **made a motion to seal** the minutes, second by Rideout. The vote was as follows: Carrier–aye; Diorio–aye; Johnson–aye; and Rideout–aye. Motion passes unanimously.

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6:41 p.m. Selectman Rideout made a **motion to enter into non-public session** under RSA 91: A-3, II, (b)- hiring, second by Johnson. The vote was as follows: Carrier–aye; Diorio–aye; Johnson–aye; and Rideout–aye. Motion passes unanimously.

6:45 p.m. regular meeting reconvened.

Selectman Carrier **made a motion to seal** the minutes, second by Johnson. The vote was as follows: Carrier–aye; Diorio–aye; Johnson–aye; and Rideout–aye. Motion passes unanimously.

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6:46 p.m. Selectman Carrier made a **motion to enter into non-public session** under RSA 91: A-3, II, (b)- hiring, second by Johnson. The vote was as follows: Carrier–aye; Diorio–aye; Johnson–aye; and Rideout–aye. Motion passes unanimously.

6:48 p.m. regular meeting reconvened.

Selectman Carrier **made a motion to seal** the minutes, second by Rideout. The vote was as follows: Carrier–aye; Diorio–aye; Johnson–aye; and Rideout–aye. Motion passes unanimously.

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Documents were signed. Kim was excused.

6:53 p.m. Selectman Rideout made a **motion to enter into non-public session** under RSA 91: A-3, II, (a)- personnel, second by Johnson. The vote was as follows: Carrier–aye; Diorio–aye; Johnson–aye; and Rideout–aye. Motion passes unanimously.

7:12 p.m. regular meeting reconvened.

Selectman Rideout **made a motion to seal** the minutes, second by Carrier. The vote was as follows: Carrier–aye; Diorio–aye; Johnson–aye; and Rideout–aye. Motion passes unanimously.

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7:15 p.m. Selectman Rideout made a **motion to adjourn**, second by Carrier. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim P. Worden  
Secretary