

Select Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 1, 2024 meeting held at Hinsdale Town Hall

Present: Chairman Steve Diorio, Selectman Mike Carrier, Selectman William Hodgman, and Selectman Richard Johnson. Also present were Kim Worden, Town Administrator Kathryn Lynch, Finance Director Jodie Holmquist, Bob Truesdell, Kaylee Howe, Julie Seymour, Jay Bean, James Fisher, and Acting Chief Evans. Selectman Bernie Rideout was excused.

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

Selectman Carrier made a **motion to approve** the manifest of April 1, 2024 and the public and non-public minutes of March 25, 2024 second by Hodgman. The vote was as follows: Diorio-aye; Carrier-aye; Hodgman-aye; and Johnson-aye. Motion passes unanimously.

New Business:

First presented were Appointments of Sandra Golden as Alternate on Planning Board, and Appointment of Ann Diorio as Planning Board Member. Selectman Johnson **made a motion** to appoint Golden and Diorio to Planning Board, second by Hodgman. The vote was as follows: Diorio-abstained; Carrier-aye; Hodgman-aye; and Johnson-aye. Motion passes.

A Permanent Application for Property Tax Credit/Exemptions for #04012024A (Veteran's Tax Credit) was presented. Selectman Hodgman **made a motion** to approve exemption for #04012024A, second by Carrier. The vote was as follows: Diorio-aye; Carrier-aye; Hodgman-aye; and Johnson-aye. Motion passes unanimously.

T.A. Reports/Requests:

T.A. Lynch will be out of the office on April 8th, 17th, and 18th to attend a Finance/Accounting class in Concord with Jodie.

She had Kim sign the minutes regarding Community Power in order to return a copy to them.

There is a Public Hearing for the Solid Waste Ordinance on April 8th and the Board was emailed a copy for their review.

She is working on the Holt Grant Application for the Town Hall bell, Parks and Rec Sports assistance, Beautification community flowers and community events.

She is also speaking with St. Jean's Auctioneers about dates for town property auctions, hoping for end of April or early May.

T.A. Lynch is working with JB Mack about dates for bidding out demolition on the Canal Street property. The Final Report has been submitted by NH DES.

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She read to the Board the list of duties for April 1 through June 30th for office support tasks. This would be for 20 hours per week for the next three months upon approval. Discussion followed. Selectman Johnson **made a motion** to approve the Office Support tasks and after 30 days come back to the board for review, second by Carrier. The vote was as follows: Diorio-abstained; Carrier-aye; Hodgman-aye; and Johnson-aye. Motion passes.

Board Comments:

Selectman Hodgman attended the Parks and Rec Meeting. They talked about the Geoffrey Holt Fund Application and are putting things together for that.

Selectman Johnson asked about the status of the letter sent re: River Road. T.A. Lynch has heard from two representatives' offices and Denise Ricciardi and Mike Abbott also reached out today. They are working on a joint effort to get this resolved.

Selectman Carrier mentioned a Conservation Meeting on Wednesday, weather permitting.

Citizen Comments:

Jay Bean had a question on the Public Hearing on the 8th. It was clarified that this was on the Solid Waste Ordinance.

Acting Chief Evans spoke on items in her Memo to TA Lynch: She made changes to the website with assistance from Sean Leary to reflect current staff members with other additions to be made soon. She has been able to start revising policies. She has started training Sgt. Gosetti on Lieutenant tasks and he is taking on quite a bit. She will have a Staff Meeting tomorrow re: expected changes and examining the Mission Statement which will be rewritten.

Jim Fisher indicated that on September 13, 2023 the Board signed a contract with a bordering town for detail. Jim suggested they not do that again, citing violations and it being unconstitutional. He asked the Board, in hindsight, whether they had any regret. Selectman Johnson stated and reiterated that they would have no comment.

Julie Seymour wanted to go over properties in her Binder that would not be deeded, with review of 2019. It was suggested that she and TA Lynch would review those in order for her to come back with a list next week.

There was mention of going into a non-public. Members of the public left the meeting.

6:17 p.m. Selectman Hodgman **made a motion to enter into non-public** session under RSA 91:A-3, II, (c)-reputation, second by Carrier. Motion passes unanimously.

6:30 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

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6:30 p.m. Selectman Carrier **made a motion to enter into non-public** session under RSA 91:A-3, II, (a)-
personnel, second by Hodgman. Motion passes unanimously.

6:47 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Selectman Hodgman **made a motion to seal** the non-public minutes, *due to the fact that divulgence of the information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of the public body itself.* second by Carrier. The vote was as follows: Diorio-aye; Carrier-aye; Hodgman-aye; and Johnson-aye. Motion passes unanimously.

6:47 p.m. Selectman Johnson **made a motion to adjourn**, second by Hodgman. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim P. Worden,
Secretary