

SELECTPERSON'S MEETING MINUTES

January 17, 2024

Municipal Building

Present- Jack, Bill, Sean, Adam, Sam and Cheryl Robinson

Call to Order- 6:00pm

Adjustments to the Agenda (if needed) – None

Public Comment – George Moon thanked the individuals that had helped with the storm clean up and surveying damage. Bill O'Meara thanked George Moon for contacting him early in the storm and he also wanted to thank Jill & Gary Grant and Junior Lounder for their help. Both George and Bill expressed their heartfelt thanks to everyone and anyone that had offered help during this unusual time for the Town.

Old Business

1. Approval of Minutes of 01/03/2024 – *Motion to approve as written by Bill Birdsall, second by Sean Jones, passed 5/0.*

New Business

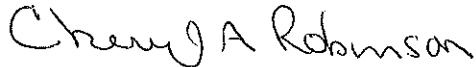
Averi Varney- HCPC – She discussed with the Board and the audience the Community Resilience Program and the benefits of the Town being involved. There are numerous grants/programs the Town can apply for, the help that is available for the application process and a host of other benefits for the Town. A letter of intent would be required from the Board and the Clerk will remind the Board of this next week. The LD2003 agreement was presented. *Motion to approve and sign the agreement as presented by Bill Birdsall, second by Adam Foster, passed 5/0.*

1. Departmental Reports
 - a) Fire Chief – Chris Holmes – see report
 - b) George Moon – Road Commissioner – Posting roads (tabled from last meeting) – A lengthy discussion was held regarding the damage to the Town road from the storm of January 10, 2024. The paperwork has been submitted to MEMA/FEMA for the cost of repairing the damage. It was decided to hold off on any major repairs until Spring as George Moon has made temporary repairs for now. By unanimous agreement from the Board the Ferry Road will be posted with a weight limit and passenger vehicles travel only. The HPVIS wharf/pier was discussed and Bill O'Meara, president of the HPVIS Association was in the audience, and they have applied for MEMA/FEMA under their non-profit status. A discussion was held on initiating the billing and collecting of mooring fees which were to be implemented beginning this year. By unanimous agreement of the Board this will be postponed until 2025 due to the damage HPVIS has sustained.
 - c) Nick Branca – Planning Board Chair – Ken Emerson was in the audience and discussed a seminar he had attended regarding accessory dwellings and the requirements therefore. He also advised the Board what he had learned regarding short term rental ordinances. He advised the Town may be exempt from some of the LD2003 requirements based on the fact that resident's sewer and water are private.

- d) Town Clerk/AA Report, Cheri Robinson
 - i) Pomroy Road – A lengthy discussion was held regarding the Pomroy Road and the vehicle that has been parked in the roadway. Jack Bridges offered to mediate as a private citizen the discussion between Jill & Gary Grant and Jeff, Robert and Christine Harden to try to reach an agreement between them. The Town's only concern is providing a turn around at the end of the Pomroy Road for municipal vehicles. Jack asked the Hardens if they would remove the vehicle in question until the matter can be resolved.
 - ii) Renee Duncan – Comp Committee – *Motion to nominate and appoint Renee Duncan to the Comprehensive Committee by Sean Jones, second by Bill Birdsall, passed 5/0.*
 - iii) Harbor Mooring Application – This was put in hold until 2025.
 - iv) FEMA information & signatures needed on Resolution for EMA – *Motion to sign resolution for the Emergency Management Agency by Jack Bridges, second by Adam Foster, passed 5/0.*
 - v) Stream Crossing Grant update – Clerk advised the Board she has been in contact with IF&W and DMR regarding habitat and wildlife present in the stream crossing in question for the Grant and has been advised no habitat or wildlife is present so crossing would lose 50% scoring right in the beginning. Clerk will not submit application per Board.
 - vi) Update on Don Baker – Clerk advised the Board Don will be out from surgery for the month of February and March. Clerk will reach out to John Larsen to see if he will fill in as a temporary.
- 2. Approval of 23/24 Payables Warrant #60 in the amount of \$27,779.68
Motion to approve as submitted by Adam Foster, second by Sean Jones, passed 5/0.
- 3. Approval of 23/24 Payables Warrant - HVFD #61 in the amount of \$2,621.13
Motion to approve as submitted by Sean Jones, second by Adam Foster, passed 5/0.
- 4. Approval of 23/24 Payables (payroll) Warrant #59 in the amount of \$3,433.86
Motion to approve as submitted by Bill Birdsall, second by Sean Jones, passed 5/0.
- 5. Approval of 23/24 Payables (payroll) Warrant #62 in the amount of \$4,570.14
Motion to approve as submitted by Sean Jones, second by Adam Foster, passed 5/0.
- 6. Complaints – None
- 7. Selectperson comments
- 8. See Mail – Charter letter
- 9. Other –

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn at 7:43pm by Sean Jones, second by Adam Foster, passed 5/0.

Respectfully submitted,



Cheryl A. Robinson

Town Clerk/Admin. Asst.