

Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting May 17, 2022

Selectmen in attendance: Lynn Sweet, Chairman, Brian Monahan, Chris Garcia (by remote access)
In Attendance: Dan Conway, Jim Andersen, David Copeland, Peter Frasca, Joseph White, John Ricker,
Dan Howard

Meeting was called to order at 5:26PM. The Selectmen reviewed and approved payroll and payment of bills. Minutes of the April 5th and May 3rd Selectmen's Meeting were read and approved. Miscellaneous correspondence was reviewed.

Dan Conway and Jim Andersen, representing the Recycling Center were in attendance to discuss the hours of operation at the Recycling Center and staffing concerns. Sunday operations at the Recycling Center had been cancelled due to lack of staffing availability on Sundays; Tuesday evening hours had been substituted in their place. This change was not well received by residents. In response, the Selectmen had reconsidered that decision, but the staffing details had not been reviewed or worked out. In the discussion with Mr. Andersen and Mr. Conway, it was determined that limited available staff would be able to oversee operations if the Recycling Center were to be open on Sundays for ONLY trash and paper, glass and plastic recycling. All other services will be available only on Wednesday and Saturdays. It was moved and seconded and unanimously voted in the affirmative to proceed with Sunday opening for only trash and paper, plastic and glass recycling. The Selectmen will handle notifying the public via the Town website, the Community Calendar (if possible), Facebook and handling out flyers at the Recycling Center. The Selectmen will continue to advertise for additional attendants and will revisit the situation if a full staff becomes available. Finally, general operations were briefly discussed.

At this time a motion was made by Lynn Sweet and seconded by Brian Monahan to enter into a non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (b). Roll call was taken as follows:

Lynn Sweet - Aye, Brian Monahan – Aye, Chris Garcia - Aye

The Board entered non-public session at 6:01PM

A motion was made by Lynn Sweet to leave non-public session and seconded by Brian Monahan to return to public session. Roll call was taken as follows:

Lynn Sweet - Aye, Brian Monahan – Aye, Chris Garcia - Aye

Public session reconvened at 7:31PM

A hiring decision was made during the non-public.

A motion was made by Lynn Sweet and seconded by Brian Monahan to seal the minutes of the non-public session. Roll call was taken as follows:

Lynn Sweet - Aye, Brian Monahan – Aye, Chris Garcia - Aye

The summer beach program was discussed. No lifeguards have applied. The beach will be open for use by the public, but NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY - SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK signs will be widely posted. Ted White who has given swim lessons for many years would like to offer them. With no available lifeguards the Town is not able support this. Mr. White will be notified that the Town can neither support nor deny his plan. Should he decide to move forward, the Town should not be involved in any way.

The Selectmen briefly reviewed counsel from the Town attorney regarding an ongoing issue. The Selectmen will move forward as directed by the Town attorney.

At this time a motion was made by Brian Monahan and seconded by Lynn Sweet to enter into a non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a). Roll call was taken as follows:

Lynn Sweet - Aye, Brian Monahan – Aye, Chris Garcia - Aye

The Board entered non-public session at 7:50PM.

A motion was made by Lynn Sweet to leave non-public session and seconded by Brian Monahan to return to public session. Roll call was taken as follows:

Lynn Sweet - Aye, Brian Monahan – Aye, Chris Garcia - Aye

Public session reconvened at 7:53PM.

A decision regarding an employee matter was made during the non-public session.

A motion was made by Brian Monahan and seconded by Lynn Sweet to seal the minutes of the non-public session. Roll call was taken as follows:

Lynn Sweet - Aye, Brian Monahan – Aye, Chris Garcia - Aye

Pete La Chapelle from Waste Management has been working to obtain 2 newer trash compacting containers for the Town as the 2 currently in use have reached their useable life span. The Town rents the containers from Waste Management; newer containers would increase the monthly rental cost. Members of the Board moved, seconded and vote unanimously in the affirmative to authorize Mr. LaChapelle to purchase and install newer/new trash containers for the Town.

There being no further business to address, it was moved , seconded and voted in the affirmative to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:00PM.