Minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting June 13, 2023

Members Present: Lynn Sweet, Chairman, Chris Garcia, Brian Monahan In Attendance: Liz Evans, Police Chief Randy Young, Officer Scott Young

The business portion of the Selectmen's Meeting was called to order at 5:30PM. The Selectmen reviewed and approved payroll and the payment of bills. The minutes of the May 30th Selectmen's Meeting were considered and approved. Notices of employee pay rates were signed. Miscellaneous correspondence was discussed.

Liz Evans was in attendance to discuss several items. The balloon testing for the 2 proposed cell towers will be next Tuesday on two proposed sites. The Planning Board requested the testing be a public meeting for the testing.

Ms. Evans informed the Board that Concord Academy Alumni will be in Strafford to place the historical marker near Wingate Road on Monday, June 19th.

A property owner is amending his conservation section and since the Town holds an easement on the property, is asking that the Town sign off on the amended area. The Selectmen have no objections to signing the easement.

Police Chief Randy Young and Officer Scott Young came before the Board to present *Project Safe Senior*, a service for older residents of Strafford. In partnership with the Strafford Women's Club, the Strafford Police Department would be seeking out those residents who may need assistance during a medical emergency, power outage, natural disaster, or an unplanned event. The goal is to build a strictly confidential database to assist First Responders with basic information (i.e. medical, emergency contact, date of birth, etc.) by filling out a form. The men stressed that any and all information submitted will not only be confidential but voluntary. Once entered into the database by the Police Department, the forms will be shredded. The information along with the form will be in the Community Calendar in August and there will also be a link on the Town website and the Town's Facebook account. Scott Young will be meeting with Pastors of the churches in Town as well. The Selectmen thanked those for the forethought on putting together this program together, agreed this would aid the community greatly and are in full support of its implementation.

Randy briefed the Board on some vandalism that has taken place at the beach area. It appears that the window of the shed was forced open and two handicapped parking signs have been destroyed. Two new signs have been ordered but the shed needs some maintenance.

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 (c). Roll call was taken as follows:

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

The Board entered non-public session at 6:29PM.

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 7:01PM.

No votes were taken or decisions were 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

A motion was made by Lynn Sweet and seconded by Chris Garcia to approve an appointment form for the Conservation Commission. A vote was taken:

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

A motion was made by Chris Garcia and seconded by Brian Monahan to approve appointment forms for the Town's Health Officer and Deputy Health Officer. A vote was taken:

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

The Town will continue the installation of railing and barriers at the Recycling Center.

A motion was made, seconded and voted on to approve the Revised Safety Policy that includes the Town's disciplinary policy.

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 (a). Roll call was taken as follows:

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

The Board entered non-public session at 7:16PM

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

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

Public session reconvened at 7:36PM.

No votes were taken or decisions were 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

Correspondence was read from the Bow Lake Camp Owners Association requesting necessary permits to reserve the use of the beach area for their chicken barbecue and lobster cookout on July 8th and August 12th, respectively. Bow Lake Camp Owners submitted a certificate of insurance with their request. With no objections, the Board approved the request.

The contractor for the Barn Door Gap Bridge was contacted last week and he stated that the Bridge project will resume in the upcoming week.

The Board briefly discussed a situation concerning a property on a Class VI road. The Board requested the owner come before the Board of Selectmen.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made, seconded, and voted on to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:42PM.