

## Minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting October 17, 2023

Members Present: Lynn Sweet, Chairman, Chris Garcia, Brian Monahan  
In Attendance: Fire Chief Scott Whitehouse, JD Clark, Town Clerk Terri Marsh

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 October 3<sup>rd</sup> Selectmen's Meeting were considered and approved. The Town's insurance renewal rates were reviewed. An application was reviewed for the Recycling Center. The applicant will be contacted by the Town Administrator. Miscellaneous correspondence was read and discussed.

Fire Chief Scott Whitehouse was in attendance to discuss future matters. The Board briefly discussed the Fire Department's budget for 2024 with Chief Whitehouse.

A request from the School to utilize the gasoline and diesel pumps designated for the Town's emergency services was discussed. The consensus of the Board was to decline the request considering the Police, Fire and the Road Agent rely heavily on the availability of that fuel. Furthermore, allowing another entity access would further compound the capacity concerns the Town presently has.

The Board was notified that the Hill Library was awarded a grant by the NH Charitable Foundation. The Library is requesting to build a 20x10 shed on the lots the Town owns. The Selectmen suggested that a representative of the Library Trustees speak with the Town's Building Inspectors in order that it be in compliance of all building codes and setbacks.

The Selectmen are in full support of the School's Superintendent writing a grant for a generator for the School.

An affidavit from the Town's attorney was signed by the Chairman of the Board.

JD Clark was in attendance to discuss some recent gunfire being heard on a property abutter's land. Mr. Clark respects firearms, but not knowing where the bullets are going and whether or not it is being fired into a berm are concerning. The Selectmen will contact the Police Department inquiring if any other complaints have been made and if they will ensure that all possible safety protocol is being followed by the abutter.

The Town Clerk was invited in to the meeting to present new voting machine options. Recently Town Clerk, Terri Marsh and resident Linda Pape attended a demonstration at the Secretary of State's Office for newly approved voting machines. The Selectmen authorized the Town Clerk to order a new voting machine.

Options for the Boston Post Cane were discussed.

The Selectmen's Meetings on October 31, 2023 and December 26, 2023 were cancelled.

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