

## Minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting June 25, 2024

Members Present: Lynn Sweet, Chair; Chris Garcia; Brian Monahan  
In Attendance: Randy Young, Police Chief

The meeting came to order at 5:30PM. The Selectmen reviewed and approved payroll and the payment of invoices. The minutes of the June 11, 2024 Selectmen's meeting were read and approved. A contract and notice of pay rate was approved. An intent to cut was approved and signed. A quote for installation of security cameras at the Town Hall was reviewed. A motion was made and seconded to approve the installation of the cameras using ARPA funds. A vote was taken and the motion passed. The Selectmen approved and signed the MS-535 for the State of NH. The Selectmen also reviewed signed the draft for the 2023 Auditor's Report. The contract extension for Strafford Regional Planning Commission was approved and signed. Miscellaneous correspondence was read.

The Boston Post Cane will be awarded to Strafford's oldest resident, Hobart Saunders, who turned 100 on June 23, 2024. A date will be chosen for presentation to Mr. Saunders.

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 5:55PM.

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 6:55PM.

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

Police Chief Young and the Board discussed several matters. Among the many subjects addressed was issues in finding a new officer. The Board expressed their thanks to Chief Young for keeping them updated.

An ongoing legal matter was briefly discussed. The Town Attorney will be updated on the Board's decision.

The Board also asked the Town Attorney be contacted concerning general matters.

Several topics were addressed concerning the Transfer Station/Recycling Center. A schedule with Waste Management has been established for automatic pickups, as well as a tentative plan to not allow usage of compactor 2 on Wednesdays; this will insure the containers are relatively empty for the busy weekend usage. It was mentioned that the TS/RC has noticed an uptick in usage since a trash removal company has shut its doors.

New permit stickers for the Transfer Station/Recycling Center will be handed out starting Wednesday evening (June 26<sup>th</sup>) at the Transfer Station. The stickers will only be available at the Recycling Center and no longer will be issued at the Town Hall. Several employees of the Town have been receiving disrespect from several parties regarding the Transfer Station/Recycling Center policies and the enforcements of such. A notice has been posted that comments and questions should be addressed to the Board and not employees of the Town. The Board also agreed that those who do not want to follow the rules may lose the privilege of using the facility. The new brochure and fee schedule was reviewed and will be available online and at the Town Hall and Transfer Station/Recycling Center Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup> and has been published in the Community Calendar for the July 2024 issue. AMI will be contacted to fabricate a "schedule of fees" sign.

Appointments were tentatively scheduled for future Selectmen meetings. Two public hearings will take place on July 9<sup>th</sup>. At 5:30PM, a public hearing for a policy on peddling/soliciting will be heard. At 5:35PM, a public hearing will be held for clarification of a Transfer Station/Recycling Center ordinance.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Lynn Sweet to adjourn. This motion was seconded by Chris Garcia. A vote was taken. The meeting adjourned at 7:48PM.