

## Minutes of the Selectmen's Work Session September 24, 2024

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

The Work Session was called to order at 5:30PM.

At this time a motion was made by Lynn Sweet and seconded by Chris Garcia 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 5:34PM.

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 5:46PM.

No votes were taken or decisions were made during the non-public session.

A motion was made by Chris Garcia 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

Deputy Chief Johnson met with the Board to review the Fire Department's budget and future budgetary matters for 2025.

With Fire Chief Scott Whitehouse retiring on October 1<sup>st</sup>, Deputy Chief Stephen Johnson will be promoted to Chief. His swearing in will be on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Board thanked Deputy Chief for his willingness to serve the Town of Strafford.

At this time a motion was made by Lynn Sweet and seconded by Chris Garcia 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 5:58PM.

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 6:25PM.

No votes were taken or decisions were made during the non-public session.

A motion was made by Chris Garcia 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

The Selectmen read and approved the minutes of their September 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Selectmen agreed with the Assessor's findings on an abatement request and signed the denial. The Board reviewed and signed the MS-1 to be submitted to the State of NH. A supplemental timber intent was signed. Miscellaneous correspondence was read.

At this time a motion was made by Lynn Sweet and seconded by Chris Garcia 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 6:34PM.

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 7:05PM.

A motion was made by Chris Garcia 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 request to use the Town's Wi-Fi for children while parents are attending meetings was discussed. The Selectmen agreed that decision is to be at the discretion of the meeting chairmen.

The Town Hall will be closed on November 5<sup>th</sup> because of the General Election being held at the Strafford School.

With no other business to discuss, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The work session adjourned at 7:15PM.