

Selectboard Minutes
November 26, 2024

Present: Jenn Jones, chair
Andy Artimovich
Jon Morgan
Paul Kleinmann
Letty Bedard

At 6:00pm, Jones called the meeting to order.

The Board signed the payroll and accounts payable summary register.

Morgan motioned, seconded by Artimovich to accept the consent agenda which consisted of public minutes from November 19th, nonpublic minutes of November 19th, and the following building permits:

- Della J Hett Revoc Trust, 286 South Road, Electrical
- Thomas Rand, Nancy Connor, 24 Scrabble Road, Minor Projects
- John & Christian Sullivan, 67 Dudley Road, Swimming Pool
- Brentwood Trading, LLC, 437 Route 125, Electrical
- Middler Family Trust, 13 James Circle, Plumbing
- Michael & Victoria Schuman, 10 Prescott Road, Minor Projects
- Kristina & Mark Temple, 27 Idyllwood Drive, Plumbing
- William Beauchesne, 31 Mohawk Lane, Plan Examination

All in favor, motion carried.

At 6:06pm, Jones opened public comment.

Rob Wofchuck, Peabody Drive, discussed the potential removal of Pickpocket Dam, check the Exeter Town website for more information.

Rebecca Dunham, Conservation Commission Chair, commented on the potential removal of Pickpocket Dam.

Jones closed public comment at 6:11pm.

Artimovich motioned, seconded by Bedard, to sign the appointment slip for Wayne Morrill to the Zoning Board of Adjustments. All in favor, motion carried.

The Board reviewed the Recreation budget with the second staff position removed. Artimovich motioned, seconded by Bedard, to approve the \$116,483 Recreation budget. Jones, Artimovich, Bedard and Kleinman – aye, Morgan – nay, motion carried, 4-1.

The Board reviewed the Highway budget with corrections. Artimovich motioned, seconded by Morgan, to approve the \$836,137 Highway budget. All in favor, motion carried.

The Board discussed the Mosquito Control budget. Morgan motioned, seconded by Artimovich to approve the level funded Mosquito Control budget. All in favor, motion carried.

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The Board discussed the Health Officer position, the Board agreed they would like to have the Health Officer present for a discussion. Bedard motioned, seconded by Artimovich, to table the Health Officer budget. All in favor motion carried.

Janice Wiers, Library Director, was present to go over the Library budget with the Board. Weirs discussed with the Board that she would prefer not to fill the 2 Page positions that will open when the current Pages go off to college, she would instead like to hire a 4th Library Assistant. Wiers would like to encumber funds to enable this position to start prior to the Pages leaving due to the Assistant Library Director being out on Short Term Disability. Wiers and the Board discussed the need for computers at the Library. Artimovich motioned, seconded by Bedard, to approve the \$358,990.24 Library budget. Jones, Artimovich and Bedard– aye, Morgan and Kleinman – abstain, motion carried, 3-0-2.

The Board was in receipt of letters from the Planning Board recommending Doug Marino to become a Commissioner to the Rockingham Planning Commission, in place of Mark Kennedy and recommending Kristin Aldred be an alternate Commissioner. Morgan motioned, seconded Artimovich to forward the recommendations to the Rockingham Planning Commission, all in favor, motion carried.

The Board was in receipt of the Sansoucy contract. Morgan motioned to approve the contract, seconded Artimovich. All in favor, motion carried.

The Board is in receipt of an abatement application for 41A Mill Road. Artimovich motioned, seconded by Morgan to sign the abatement. All in favor, motion carried.

The Board discussed 1 quote received to replace the windows at the Recreation Center, this process has been going on for over a year. Bedard motioned to move forward with Coastal Industries with an updated quote, Kleinman seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Artimovich updated the Board on the security system at the Recreation Center.

Morgan stated that Economic Development is working to get back on their regular schedule meeting the third Monday of every month. The Grant Writer is currently working the maximum amount of hours.

Kleinman updated the Board regarding the cleanup of Stevens Field and the Boudreau contract. Kleinman also stated that the Open Space Subcommittee has held their first meeting.

Jones stated that the Budget Committee passed the Highway, Recreation, Joint Loss and Fire budgets.

At 7:23pm Morgan motioned, seconded by Artimovich to go into nonpublic for legal, reputation, personnel, and hiring. Artimovich – aye; Morgan – aye; Kleinman – aye; Bedard – aye; Jones – aye. Motion passed.

Public session reconvened at 8:08 PM. Motion made by Morgan to seal the minutes, seconded by Artimovich. Roll call vote was taken, and all were in favor.

Motion passed. At 8:10, motion made by Morgan to adjourn, seconded by Artimovich. All were in favor.

Motion passed and meeting was adjourned at 8:10.

Respectfully submitted,

Jillian Benedix