

Selectboard Minutes
January 21, 2025

Present: Jenn Jones, Chair
Andy Artimovich
Jon Morgan via Teams
Paul Kleinmann
Letty Bedard

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

The Board signed the payroll and accounts payable summary register.

Artimovich motioned, seconded by Bedard to accept the consent agenda with a correction to the public minutes spelling Jim Berlo's name correctly. The consent agenda consisted of public minutes from January 14th, non-public minutes from January 14th, which are sealed, and the following building permits:

- River Run Development, LLC, 2 Taylor Circle, Plan Examination
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- Wm Poleatewich & Anissa Demers, 393 South Road, Solar
- Theodore Field Jr, 106 Prescott Road, Plumbing
- Philip & Heather Milot, 10 Greenleaf Cir, Plan Examination
- Della J Hett Revoc Trust, 286 South Road, Plumbing
- Thomas Oliver & Kimberly Hardy, 20 Gallant Drive, Plan Examination

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Artimovich motioned, seconded by Bedard to allow Morgan to participate remotely. Artimovich -aye, Morgan – aye, Kleinman – aye, Bedard – aye, Jones -aye. Motion carried.

At 6:05pm, Jones opened the meeting up to public comment.

Elizabeth Faria, South Road, had questions/comments regarding payroll, unsealing minutes and non-public meetings.

Seeing no other public comment, Jones closed public comment at 6:10pm.

Wayne Robinson, Road Agent, was present to discuss needing a front-end loader, Robinson provided the board with several quotes. Robinson explained that the front-end loader is a vital piece of equipment that is used daily. After some discussion the Board agreed they would like more time to review all quotes and purchase options. Kleinman asked to be provided with a list of current Highway Department equipment with years and miles/hours, Robinson will provide this information.

The Board reviewed a draft Mental Health policy for the Police Department. Artimovich requested the Board review the policy before making a decision, the board agreed.

The Board discussed the contract with On Site Drug Testing, their services will take the place of Occupational Health Services. Artimovich motioned to approve signing the contract with On Site Drug Testing, seconded by Bedard. Artimovich -aye, Morgan – aye, Kleinman – aye, Bedard – aye, Jones -aye. Motion passes.

The Board was in receipt of information pertaining to 2 recent incidents involving unprofessional behavior by Zoning Board

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of Adjustment member, Jack Garber. Garber was contacted via email, there was no response. Jones called for public comment regarding this issue. Doug Finan, Gove Road, asked how Garber was contacted and if there was any confirmation Garber received the notification. Bedard motioned to remove Jack Garber from the Zoning Board of Adjustment, seconded by Artimovich. Artimovich -aye, Morgan – aye, Kleinman – aye, Bedard – aye, Jones -aye. Motion carried. Garber will be notified in writing of the Board’s decision.

Artimovich asked who is responsible for shoveling town buildings when it snows.

Bedard reminded everyone Town Report submissions are due by Friday January 24th.

Jones reminded everyone about upcoming budget committee meetings and their public hearing.

Jones reminded everyone that the filing period for school and town positions opens tomorrow and closes January 31st at 5pm.

Jones gave an update regarding ALS services; Jones and the Board would like to thank Chief Bird and Chief Knutsen of Plaistow for their ongoing hard work to continue ALS services in the seacoast community.

At 6:55pm a motion was made by Artimovich, seconded by Kleinman to enter nonpublic for hiring (b). Roll call vote: Artimovich -aye, Morgan – aye, Kleinman – aye, Bedard – aye, Jones -aye. Motion passes.

The Board entered nonpublic session at 6:55 PM. At 7:21 PM, the public meeting was reconvened. Bedard made a motion to seal the minutes, seconded by Artimovich. Roll call vote: Artimovich -aye, Morgan – aye, Kleinman – aye, Bedard – aye, Jones -aye. Motion passes.

At 7:21 PM, Artimovich made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bedard. Roll call vote: Artimovich -aye, Morgan – aye, Kleinman – aye, Bedard – aye, Jones -aye. Motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jillian Benedix