

Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
June 30, 2021

Present: James C. Bailey, Chairman; John P. Stohrer, Selectman; Meleny Negy, Selectwoman; Laura Buono, Town Administrator.

In Attendance: Leigh Bosse, Dave Fullerton, Peter Nagy, Aria Nagy, Rylynn Nagy, Paige Savell, Adam Savell.

Chairman Bailey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. **OATH OF OFFICE**

Chairman Bailey administered the Oath of Office to incoming Selectman Meleny Negy who was appointed by the Board of Selectmen to fill a vacant spot on the Board.

2. **SELECTMAN BUSINESS**

Transfer Station/Downtown Lighting – Ms. Buono presented the Selectmen with quotes for outdoor lighting at the Transfer Station. There are two poles and lights by the scale house that need to be replaced due to the fact that the current poles are rotted. In the past, Ms. Buono said the Town was able to get used poles from PSNH (now Eversource) but they have discontinued that program so the poles will need to be purchased. The new lights will also be LED Lithonia TFX4 fixtures. There will be concrete below and 3' above the surface so that if anyone backs into it, they won't damage the pole. Ms. Buono said the lights in the main building as associated buildings (recycling building, swap shop bldg.) will also be updated to LED light fixtures in order to save money and provide better lighting. There are incentives through Eversource if we qualify totaling \$1,900 and if we're able to provide equipment and site work, we will save about \$3,000. The total for this work is \$16,758 for the poles, lights, cement work and equipment and \$10,810 for the additional lighting (24 lights and mounting hardware) for the remainder of the facility. Selectwoman Nagy brought up the solar array on the landfill and thought it was owned by the Town. Chairman Bailey explained that it is privately owned and the Town leases the land to them.

Ms. Buono said the downtown light fixture component was reviewed by Scott Yeaton who is recommending Item #2 be approved which provides new LED retrofit lamps (replaces the old LED lamps), cleaning of the light pole lenses and tightening existing mounting hardware as well as evaluating each pole fixtures for a total of \$3,700. If the evaluation of each pole finds additional issues (pole base and/or conduit and wiring), a separate proposal will be submitted. Selectwoman Nagy asked if the Town has considered making the light poles solar but was told this hasn't been discussed and perhaps it's something that can be looked into by the Energy Commission. Ms. Buono will pass it on to them.

The Board briefly discussed the work to be done and Chairman Bailey moved to approve the work done by Gemini Electric as proposed and discussed. Motion was seconded by Selectman Stohrer. Motion passed with two in favor and one, Selectwoman Nagy, abstaining.

Carriage Shed Roof – Ms. Buono also distributed pricing for roofing the carriage shed in the Old Town Center. She said she’s not asking the Board to take action on it tonight since she is still waiting for painting quotes for the museum building and they both come out of the Building CRF. The Board reviewed the quote and Chairman Bailey asked Ms. Buono to find out what the square footage is for the project. Ms. Buono will check with the roofer.

Partners Farm LLC – Ms. Buono updated the Board on the Partners Farm LLC subdivision revocation in order to brief Selectman Nagy on the issue. This subdivision is being revoked by request of the owners. Although there was nothing within the subdivision built, there were small parcels already deeded to the Town which were to be used for a cistern and a turn around. These parcels would need to be deeded back to the owner if the revocation goes through. Chairman Baily explained that the owners have already been before the Planning Board and Board of Selectmen at a joint meeting and mentioned that the current conservation easement on the property stays in place. Ms. Buono said that Town Council has reviewed everything and the next step is to get the Planning Board and Conservation Commission’s recommendations on the deeding back of these parcels in writing even though they have already verbally agreed, and then move forward with two public hearings.

Recreation – Selectwoman Nagy asked if there is any recreation land available that the Town owns. Land by Grimes field and at Manahan were brought up as locations and briefly discussed along with a potential spot for a splash pad. Chairman Bailey said the parcel by Grimes Field has the water source since it is on the town water system. Selectwoman Nagy said she understands that something like this would have to be brought up as part of the budget and voted on by the public but she was curious as to whether there was a location that could support it. Adam Savell, member of the public, asked about the River Walk and whether or not some of the brush could be cut back in order to allow more open area for anyone wishing to picnic for example as well as a more secure feeling while on the trail. Ms. Buono will look into the lot lines and speak with the parks and recreation supervisor about the area.

3. MANIFEST MOTION

Chairman Bailey moved to authorize the Selectmen to sign manifests 26 & 26A in the amount of \$369,973.81 (includes 113 direct deposit stubs. Motion was seconded by Selectman Nagy. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Bailey moved to approve the Consent Agenda for June 30, 2021. Motion was seconded by Selectman Stohrer. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- Property Tax Abatements (Approved) – Map 18 Lot 15; Map 5 Lots 7 & 8; Map 16 Lot 94;
- Property Tax Abatements (Denied) – Map 16 Lot 91; Map 16 Lot 313; Map 24 Lot 93; Map 11G Lot 307-1 (HSE Hydro NH Jackman, LLC

5. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bailey moved to adjourn at 6:50 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectman Stohrer. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

A true record.

Laura Buono
Town Administrator

Approved by:
Hillsborough Selectboard

Date: _____

James C. Bailey III, Chairman

John P. Stohrer, Selectman

Meleny Nagy, Selectwoman