

**Board of Selectmen  
Meeting Minutes  
April 26, 2023**

Present: James Bailey – Chairman and Iris Campbell, Selectwoman

Absent: Richard Pelletier, Selectman and Laura Buono, Town Administrator.

In Attendance: Ernie Butler, Barbara Acorn, Charles Acorn, Jessica Locke, Keith Cobbett.

Pledge of allegiance was completed.

**1. DRAINAGE CONCERN**

Barbara Acorn, Charles Acorn, and Jessica Locke met with the Board. Ms. Acorn brought photos and videos of the damage to her property from the culvert that is running onto her property. There are also knockouts along the property that are allowing further drainage, she also noted that her stone wall was knocked down from putting in the knockouts. In the last couple of years, the drainage has been running into the back of the property as well. There is a video dated April 23, 2023, showing the water flooding into the culvert and into the Acorn's property. Chairman Bailey said he went and looked at their property and said it didn't look any different than other places around town and he said the rock wall will be repaired. Road Agent, Ernie Butler said the culvert they are talking about has been there for many years same for the knockouts, however, lately the weather has been providing a lot more rain. Mr. & Mrs. Acorn would like to see the water diverted elsewhere because his trees are dying, and his property is turning into swamp land. The Acorn's and the Road Agent will work together towards a solution.

**2. HOLIDAY LIGHTS**

Keith Cobbett, Chairman of the Greater Hillsborough Chamber of Commerce. They are getting ready to make an investment in holiday lighting to start decorating the downtown as it was in the past. Mr. Cobbett is asking for exclusive access to the light poles specifically on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce. Chairman Bailey asked for a timeline for the decorations. Mr. Cobbett said the decorations would go up just after Thanksgiving and would come down just after January first.

**3. RENEW NEW HAMPSHIRE – BARRELS WITH PLANTS**

Chairman Bailey made a motion to spend up to \$300 for soil and flowers for 15 barrels. Selectwoman Campbell asked if they will be maintaining the barrels. Chairman Bailey said yes, and they will water them as well. Selectwoman Campbell seconded the motion, the motion passed.

**4. INVEST NH PROGRAM**

Chairman Bailey made a motion to renew the previously granted authority to the Town Administrator to sign and execute any and all documentation necessary to implement activity on behalf of the Town of Hillsborough business in the Invest NH Program. Selectwoman Campbell seconded the motion, the motion passed.

**5. MINUTES**

Chairman Bailey made a motion to approve the meeting minutes dated April 12, 2023. Selectwoman Campbell seconded the motion, the motion passed.

**6. MANIFEST**

Chairman Bailey made a motion to authorize the Selectmen to sign manifests and order the Treasurer to sign Payroll Check numbers 18389 – 18413 a/k/a Vouchers 16 & 17 in the amount of \$187,438.19 (includes 136 direct deposit stubs) and Accounts Payable Check numbers 029284-029341 a/k/a Voucher 15 in the amount of \$182,297.60. Selectwoman Campbell seconded the motion, the motion passed.

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Bailey made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda April 26, 2023. Selectwoman Campbell seconded the motion, the motion passed.

- Letter of Support – CEDS Projects
- Appointment Form – Shaun Kelly Park’s Board
- Tax Anticipation Note
- Intent to Cut – Map 11I Lot 50
- Elderly Exemption – Map 26 Lot 52
- Elderly Exemption – Map 7 Lot8
- Veteran’s Exemption – Map 12 Lot 38
- Solar Exemption – Map 8 Lot 81
- Solar Exemption – Map 6 Lot 94
- Cemetery Deed – Harvey Memorial Row 13, Lot A

Chairman Bailey made a motion to adjourn at 6:45 pm, motion was seconded by Selectwoman Campbell.

A true record  
Mary Whalen  
Recording Secretary

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by:  
Hillsborough Selectboard

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James C. Bailey, III, Chairman

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Iris Campbell, Selectwoman

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Richard Pelletier, Selectman