



Town of Winchester
1 Richmond Road Winchester, NH 03470

**Minutes of the
Selectmen Meeting**
Wednesday, March 6, 2024

Board members present for the meeting: Lindseigh Picard, Ben Kilanski, Herbert Stephens, Natalie Quevedo, Theresa Sepe.

Department Heads Present for the meeting: Rick Meleski Sr., Captain Rice

First order of business Minutes:

Selectman Kilanski made a motion to approve the minutes from 2/28/24. Selectman Quevedo 2nd the motion. Motion carries 5-0.

Second order of business: New Business:

Margaret Sharra, Chair of the Winchester Bank Committee updated the board on the committee's progress. The committee is currently working on a brochure for the public to be handed out on voting day, LCHIP webinar for grants, and CBDG grants. The committee was looking for the board's approval from the board to move forward with getting new locks for the building, putting up a granite post and black chain fencing up and having a public hearing to accept a donation of services from Leonard Lawrence to remove the asphalt from the old Mr. Mikes site and bring in loam to reestablish lawn. The committee were very clear that they were not asking for funds from the Town. They were only asking for approval to move forward with fundraising for the projects stated. Selectman Stephens made sure the roof and the porch ceiling is now fixed and secured. The committee is planning on viewing the property/building on March 18th @ 3pm with the Building Inspector and Contractor to start a to do list. Mrs. Sharra asked the board if the committee could get an email to allow the public to contact them. T.A. Miner advised that an email address is \$162/year and that she would look into it. T.A. Miner said that in the meantime the committee could use Mrs. Shara's town email. The committee also let the board know that they are still discussing ideas about dogs.

Selectman Sepe made a motion to approve establishing a checking account for the Winchester Bank Committee, and the granite post and black chain fencing. Selectman Kilanski 2nd the motion. Motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Kilanski made a motion for the committee to apply for the 3-lot merger. Selectman Picard 2nd the motion. Motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Kilanski made a motion to have the fencing go around all town owned land. Selectman Stephens 2nd the motion. Motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Quevedo asked that the committee check on the utility pole variances for the fencing.

Selectman Kilanski made a motion to approve the Blind Tax Exemption. Selectman Stephens 2nd the motion. Motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Sepe made a motion to approve the deferral terms that were met on Map 25 Lot 7 in the amount of \$6,003.37. Selectman Kilanski 2nd the motion. Motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Kilanski made a motion to approve the water abatement in the amount of \$25.20. Selectman Stephens 2nd the motion. Motion carries 5-0.

Congratulations to Captain Dave Rice, who is now NH Certified!!!!

Voting Day is Tuesday, March 12th, 2024 from 8am to 7pm.

T.A. Miner asked the board to schedule a work session for the Transfer Station Building Project. The board agreed to a work session at next week's board meeting on March 13th, 2024 @6pm.

Water/Sewer Superintendent Rick Meleski Sr advised the board that a meeting with Tata & Howard regarding the 2 bids received for the Water Tank Project and will update the board next week.

Mr. Meleski also advised the board that NHDOT has approached him with their plan for changing out guard rails through Ashuelot and the timing is TBD. Mr. Meleski also said that the project would be watched carefully and do not foresee any trouble. Consolidated also reached out to Mr. Meleski regarding Broadband & the sewer plant. Mr. Meleski requested they run the line from Rt. 119 instead of down Duso Rd through the sewer plant facility.

Captain Rice would like everyone to be aware and bring your bird feeders in due to local complaints about bears. There have been a lot of complaints regarding trash found dumped on the side of the road with a mix of needles and trash. This is being investigated. Captain Rice also advised the board that the body cams are coming in. Captain Rice will be at the School on Voting Day after 11am.

Selectman Quevedo advised the public that there is a plastic (clean) drop off. Please come out to vote on March 12th!

Fourth order of business Public Comment: None

Nonpublic under RSA 91-A:3II

Selectman Kilanski makes a motion to enter nonpublic session under "a". Selectman Picard 2nd the motion. The motion carries 5-0. A roll call vote was taken, and all members voted "yes" individually, and the board convenes in non-public at 705pm.

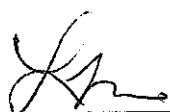
Adjournment:

The board reconvenes in public session at 845pm.

Selectman Stephens makes a motion to seal the minutes under "a" Selectman Quevedo seconds the motion. Motion carries 5-0.

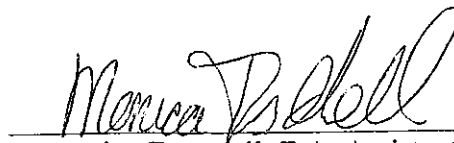
Selectman Picard makes a motion to adjourn at 850pm. Selectman Kilanski 2nd the motion. The motion carries 3-0.

Minutes signed by:



Lindseigh Picard, Selectboard Chair

Minutes respectfully submitted:



Monica Truesdell, T.A. Assistant