



Town of Winchester
1 Richmond Road Winchester, NH 03470
Minutes of the
Selectmen Meeting
Wednesday, January 13, 2021

Board members present: Ben Kilanski, Jack Marsh, Herbert Stephens, James Rokes Sr. and Gloria Leustek.

First order of business:

The Chairman opens the meeting at 6:00 pm.

Nonpublic under RSA 91-A:3II (a)(b)(c)(d)(e)

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to enter nonpublic session under "a". Selectman Rokes seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0. A roll call vote was taken, and members vote "yes" individually, and the board convenes in non-public at 6:03pm.

The board reconvenes in public session at 6:40pm.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to seal the minutes under a. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Board recess until 7:00pm.

Second order of business: New Business

The board reconvenes at 7:00pm

The board reviews the petition warrant articles.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to recommend ACCESS-\$40,000. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-1.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to recommend ELM Community Center-\$40,000. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Stephens makes a motion to recommend Winchester Historical Society-\$5,000. Selectman Rokes seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to recommend 3 tax credit increases for Veterans- 1. "All" Veteran's tax credit-\$750, 2. Veteran's disabled tax credit-\$3,000 and 3. Veteran's tax credit-\$750. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to recommend Winchester Pickle Festival-\$1. Selectman Rokes seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to not recommend hiring a Social Worker-\$25,000. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to not recommend purchasing recording equipment-\$7,500. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

The board reviewed a few items on the 2021-2022 budget. Selectman Leustek makes a motion to approve the Health Agencies-79,346. Selectman Kilanski seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0. Selectman Marsh makes a motion to approve the Highway-\$582,508. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0. Selectman Stephens makes a motion to approve the Police-\$651,366. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

The board revisited a 2 warrant articles. Selectman Rokes makes a motion to revisit the operating budget. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0. Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve \$3,675,097. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to revisit the Loader Lease. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0. Selectman Marsh makes a motion to change the lease price to \$138,200 which includes interest. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Reminder Budget Committee public hearing on the Town & School budgets tomorrow Jan 14th at 6pm at the Town Hall.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve the minutes of 12-30-20. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to approve the oath of office for ZBA Alternate- Colby Ebbighausen. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve a raffle permit for the VFW. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to approve a water abatement for map 8 lot 124/Melvin Bridge Rd. Billing error, water was off. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.
Intent to cut for map 15 lot 18 & 20.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve a Current Use application for map 4 lot 16. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve an tax abatement for map 29 lot 16. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to approve refund overpayment to the 1st issue tax bills due to the 2020 revaluation and decrease on the tax rate in the amount \$4,103. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve tax abatements to the 1st issue tax bills due to the 2020 revaluation and decrease on the tax rate in the amount \$807. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

The board reviews and approves the following financial documents:

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve to approve the default budget in the amount of \$3,694,477. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion of a 10% increase to the CAG billing rates. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Kilanski makes a motion to approve extending the Families First Coronavirus Response Act until March 31, 2021. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to renew the water tank funding with Community National Bank and make an interest payment of \$10,261.05 from the water capital reserve acct. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Stephens makes a motion to approve payment to Winchester Trail Riders in the amount of \$298.29 from the Ashuelot Rail Trail capital reserve acct. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to approve payment to Tata & Howard-\$6,669 and Haluch-\$55,604.32 from the water tank acct. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to approve payment to Gasset Energy in the amount of \$522 from the Town Building capital reserve acct. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to approve payment to Wilson Controls in the amount of \$19,050 from the water capital reserve acct. Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to approve payment to CAG-\$851.66, Anthem Blue Choice-\$457.45 and Mary Benoit-\$196.05 from the Ambulance Billing checking acct. Selectman Rokes seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Leustek makes a motion to approve payment to WB Mason in the amount of \$867.95 from the Cemetery Building Donation Acct. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve Darin Qualters's quote in the amount of \$6,500 for the repairs for the Cemetery archway. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to not approve the request from the Fire Dept to purchase a plow. Selectman Rokes seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to approve a PO to Cartelli Ford in the amount of \$4,555.01. Selectman Rokes seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to approve a PO to Power Plan in the amount of \$3,155.87. Selectman Gloria seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Third order of business Board comment:

Selectman Kilanski makes a motion to live stream the BOS meeting starting next week and closing the meeting to the public. Just Selectmen, Town Administrator and if needed employees or residents if there is pressing business/non-public. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0. Any questions can be sent by email to the Town Administrator and they will be answered at the next meeting.

Selectman Kilanski stated that he was upset to hear that a community had made a policy that any of their equipment had to stop displaying the American flag. He strongly feels that any employee or resident wants to display an American flag more power to you.

Selectman Marsh asked Selectman to reach out to State to discuss opening the Rail Trails for the ATV Club.

Forth order of business: Nonpublic under RSA 91-A:3II (a)(b)(c)(d)(e)

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to enter nonpublic session under (a & c). Selectman Leustek seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0. A roll call vote was taken, and members vote "yes" individually, and the board convenes in non-public at 8:21pm.

Fifth order of business: Adjournment

The board reconvenes in public session at 9:45pm.

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to revisit the PD Cruiser Lease. Selectman Rokes seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0. Selectman Marsh makes a motion to remove the article from the warrant. Selectman Rokes seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Stephens made a motion to seal the minutes under "a". Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Leustek makes a motion to adjourn at 9:48 pm. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0.

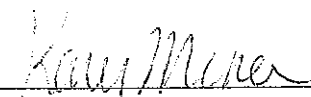
Minutes respectfully submitted:

Karey Miner, Town Administrator

Minutes signed by:



Ben Kilanski Chairman



Karey Miner