



Town of Winchester
1 Richmond Road Winchester, NH 03470

**Minutes of the
Selectmen Meeting**

Wednesday, November 3, 2021

Board members present for the meeting: Lindseigh Picard, James Rokes, Herbert Stephens, and Theresa Sepe. Also, present Amy Bond, Margaret Sharra, Chief Josephson & Rick Meleski.

First order of business: Review Budgets

The Vice Chairman opens the meeting at 6:00 pm.

Selectman Sepe makes a motion to increase Admin Asst. \$1005. Selectman Picard seconds the motion. The motion carries 2-1-1. Selectman Picard makes a motion to approve the **Police** budget for \$711,021. Selectman Sepe seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-1.

Selectman Stephens makes a motion to approve the **Water** budget for \$310,379. Selectman Picard seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

Selectman Stephens makes a motion to approve the **Sewer** budget for \$407,734. Selectman Picard seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve the **Insurance** budget for \$81,949. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

Selectman Picard makes a motion to approve the **Personnel Admin.** budget for \$571,770. Selectman Rokes seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-1. Selectman Rokes makes a motion to stay with the current plan/HRA and have Karey sign. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

Second order of business: Minutes & New Business

The board reviews the minutes of 10/27/21 for approval. Selectman Picard makes a motion to approve the minutes. Selectman Rokes seconds the motion. Motion carries 4-0

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve St Jeans Auction flyer/proposal. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

Budget Committee will be meeting with the Health Agencies Tuesday, Nov 9th @6pm.

The Deputy Health Officer has requested the Board hold a yearly Board of Health meeting that is required by the State of NH. Board agrees to schedule a meeting the 1st or 2nd week of December.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve all 3 Solar Exemptions: 5 Wood Dr, 7 Gosselin & 841 Manning Hill. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

The board reviews and approves the following financial documents:

Selectman Stephens made a motion to approve \$14.39 from the Cemetery Donation Fund to Aubuchon. Selectman Picard seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0

Selectman Rokes made a motion to approve to payment from Water Capital Reserve to Wilson Controls in the amount of \$10,200. Selectman Sepe seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0

Selectman Stephens made a motion to approve to payment from Sewer Capital Reserve to NH State of Treasury in the amount of \$27,312.08. Selectman Rokes seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0

Selectman Stephens asked the board about removing the old cardboard compactor Transfer Station. It has been broken for years. Highway would be willing to remove it and take it to Scrap-it. Selectman Rokes made a motion to approve Highway to remove the compactor. Selectman Picard seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

Third order of business Other:

N/A

Fourth order of business public comment:

Nate Holmy asked the board where the livestreaming stood since it was approved to purchase equipment. The livestreaming hasn't been consistent. Selectman Picard stated that the person that has been livestreaming the meeting is a volunteer and I will fill in when needed, but someone walked off with our tripod. Karey said that she has been working with our IT to find us a laptop with 2 drives and it has been hard because there is a chip shortage.

The board recess for 5minutes.

Nonpublic under RSA 91-A:3II

Selectman Stephens makes a motion to enter nonpublic session under "c, d & e ". Selectman Picard seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0. A roll call vote was taken, and members vote "yes" individually, and the board convenes in non-public at 7:07pm.

Adjournment:

The board reconvenes in public session at 7:48pm.

Selectman Picard makes a motion to seal the minutes under "c, d & e ". Selectman Sepe seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

There is some concern with who and how the flaggers should be paid. At last week's water break Rick called Jim Amman to flag. Emergency Management was not called to flag and flagging for the water dept should not be paid out of the Emergency Management budget.

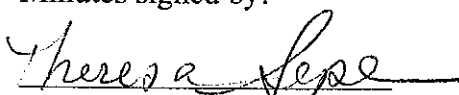
Karey informed the board that the fire truck was in a minor accident and SFC Engineering for the Town Beach ramp will need a couple of weeks to finalize the concepts.

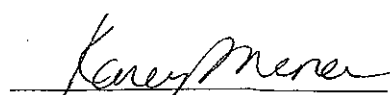
Selectman Picard makes a motion to adjourn at 7:54pm. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

Minutes respectfully submitted:

Karey Miner, Town Administrator

Minutes signed by:


Theresa Sepe, Vice Chairman


Karey Miner