



Town of Winchester
1 Richmond Road Winchester, NH 03470

**Minutes of the
Selectmen Meeting
Wednesday, June 23, 2021**

Board members present: Ben Kilanski, Lindseigh Picard, Herbert Stephens, Theresa Sepe and James Rokes Sr. Also, present were Margaret Sharra, LT Fisher & Rick Meleski.

First order of business: Public Hearing

The Chairman opens the meeting at 6:30 pm. Selectman Kilanski reads the public hearing notice. "Notice is hereby given that the Town of Winchester Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, June 23, 2021, at 6:30pm in the Winchester Town Hall for the purpose of donating a parcel of land, map 19 lot 9 to the Winchester Historical Society." Selectman Rokes makes a motion to open the public hearing. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0. The board and the public have no questions or concerns. Selectman Stephens makes a motion to close the public hearing. Selectman Rokes seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0. On July 7th, the board will vote on the donation of land.

Second order of business: Minutes & New Business

The board reviews the minutes of 6/16/21 for approval. Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve the minutes with Selectman Picard's correction. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. Motion carries 5-0.

Jim Tetreault let the board know that the Town Clerk/Tax Collectors office will be closing at 3pm on June 30th for yearend closeout.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve the Oath of Office for Conservation-Lola Bobrowski-Alt and Police Chief Hiring Committee-Chris Steadman. Selectman Picard seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0. Steve Aivaliotis had to step down from being on the Police Chief Hiring Committee and the board had previously voted to have an alternate-Chris Steadman.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve not using the PA-28 inventory form. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. Motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve tax abatement for map 26 lot 17 in the amount of \$3,125. Selectmen Stephens seconds. Motion carries 5-0. The 79E exemption was removed in error.

Selectman Stephens makes a motion to approve the interconnection, easement & license for the solar project at the sewer dept. Selectman Rokes seconds the motion. Motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve the firework permits. Selectman Sepe seconds. The motion carries 5-0. A complete list is posted on the website.

Monadnock Speedway	840 Keene Rd	7/3/21	10-11pm	7/10
Joshua Rodgers	102 Back Ashuelot Rd	7/3/21	8-11pm	7/4
Brandon Ovitt	146 South Parrish Rd	7/4/21	8:45-11pm	
Chris Steadman	189 Back Ashuelot Rd	7/5/21	9:45-11pm	
Beth Maxwell	49 Burt Hill	7/5/21	9-11pm	
Gary Carle	230 Gunn Mt	7/10/21	8-11pm	

The board reviews and approves the following financial documents:

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve encumbering funds in the amount of \$13,170-GGB, \$49,169-Fire, \$1,200-Forest Fire, \$25,800-Highway, \$2,355.75-Police, \$6,388-Water & \$35,931.50-Sewer. Selectman Sepe seconds. The motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve department audits payments in the amount of \$700-Police, \$900-Ambulance & \$200-RED. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. Motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to approve capital reserve withdrawal from the Ashuelot Rail Trail in the amount of \$375.00 to Jack Munn. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. Motion carries 5-0.

Selectman Picard makes a motion to approve security camera for the Emergency Building to be paid from the GGB in the amount of \$8,165. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. Motion carries 5-0.

Jennifer Rhodes-Welfare Director has requested a work session with the board to go over the welfare guidelines and the changes that have been made to the NH Municipal Assoc. guidelines. The board agrees and schedules the work session for July 28th @5:30pm.

Third order of business Other:

Selectman Picard gave a RED update. The RED Committee is looking at adding a few activities at the Farmers market like sidewalk chalk art and few farm animals. The board has no issue with the activities. September 11th will be Dinner on the Bridge and proceeds will go to Winchester Historical Society. RED would like to be able to server beer & wine again this year and possibly find a caterer that have a liquor license. Also, looking at hosting a cocktail hour at the Winchester Historical Society. Selectman Picard thanked the Highway for fixing Pinney Woods Rd.

Selectman Stephens asked Highway to look at Fosgate Rd. and the washout by the culvert.

Rick Meleski let the board know the stumping & erosion control at the sewer Plant for the solar project is complete and Lawrence's did a great job. The pole barn was paved and Duso Rd was shimmed today and will be completed tomorrow. Centrifuge has been rebuilt and is running. The planning board reviewed the water tank site Monday and are ok with the new tank being placed on the same site as the old tank.

Lt Fisher stated that the raises given fell short and he does not agree with the raises given. 2 fulltime Officers did not receive one and the Police Dept. turned back a lot of money this year. Lt Fisher asked the board to reconsider hiring a fulltime certified officer.

Fourth order of business public comment:

N/A

The board recessed for 10 minutes @ 7:04.

Nonpublic under RSA 91-A:3II (c)

Selectman Rokes makes a motion to enter nonpublic session under "c & d". Selectman Stephens 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 7:14pm.

Adjournment:

The board reconvenes in public session at 8:52pm.

Selectman Picard makes a motion to seal the minutes under "d" for 6months. Selectman Stephens seconds the motion. The motion carries 5-0


The Police Department will advertise for a fulltime & parttime Officers.

Selectman Stephens makes a motion to adjourn at 8:55pm. Selectman Sepe seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

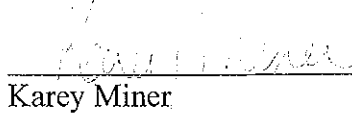
Minutes respectfully submitted:

Karey Miner, Town Administrator

Minutes signed by:



Ben Kilanski, Chairman



Karey Miner