

MINUTES
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Friday, September 08, 2023

SELECTMEN PRESENT: Janet Wall (JW), Mark Avery (MA), Tim Burt (TB)
OTHERS: Eric Fiegenbaum (EF), Deborah Ahlstrom (DA) and Jeanette Fones

CORRESPONDANCE

- The cell tower hearing in Hampton is postponed.
- HealthTrust is holding their annual meeting. Madbury only has a retiree using the program.

SIGN: accounts payable

NEW BUSINESS

- The Martin's at 3 Cherry Ln. canceled their meeting with the Selectmen. EF will reschedule for a date as soon as possible, including outside the Selectmen's regular schedule.
- MA moved and TB seconded a motion to approve the UNH Dispatch agreement with the Madbury Fire Department as recommended by the Chief Perley. Motion passed
- There was a review of the auditors' report. The Selectmen questioned the answer to a deeding question and DA noted an incorrect name. DA will ask the auditors to address the comments.

OLD BUSINESS

- TB led a discussion of a second amendment to the MRI contract regarding the inclusion of other towns besides Durham. Chief Perley had been in touch with Barrington and Dover, both of whom were receptive to a discussion. Lee did not seem to be in a position to be considered. Chief Perley recommended that Barrington and Dover be added to the study. Besides the costs to consider each of the new towns, there would be a GIS cost for each. JW wondered if there was a county option. A decision on including Barrington and Dover was held until the next meeting.
- TB reported that no one on the Planning Board stepped forward to be the town's representative on the MPO Technical Advisory Committee at the Strafford Regional Planning Commission. MA will talk to Bill Courtemanche.
- There was a discussion about getting a regular building cleaning service for town buildings.

BOARD UPDATES

- EF reported that the contractor who has been spraying knotweed for the town had modified his offer after Conservation Commission members did a detailed survey of knotweed locations in the town right-of-ways.
- TB reported that the Planning Board asked an applicant to provide reasoning from Eversource on a request to waive belowground utilities.

OTHER:

- DA shared that she was still waiting for quite a few departments/board to submit budget requests. Special detail billing by the PD seemed delayed.
- The Selectmen noted that they would like to meet the new police officer.
- Some progress had been reported on Mutualink, but there was still work to do.
- EF will check with Primex for possible contractors for the town hall building damage.
- The request to use town hall chairs for an outside function was declined.

- EF will check on progress regarding Portsmouth and enforcement against Schwartz at 14 Huckins Rd.
- There was a short review of Madbury Day Plans.

Meeting ended at 11:00am.

Submitted by: *Eric Fiegenbaum* Approved: 9-22-2023
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