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SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

February 14, 2023

Chairman Paight called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm. Selectman Nelson and Selectman Pitt were present. Also in attendance were Ed Moura and Brad Hutchinson.

At 1:00 pm, the Selectmen joined a zoom information session for the Community Power update. A few minutes into the presentation, it was noted that the pre-bid information was not public information. Because the Selectmen were in public session, and there were no acceptable reasons according to RSA 91-A:3, II for non-public session, the Selectmen disconnected from the call at 1:15 pm. Marge Shepardson of the Energy Committee remained on the zoom meeting to represent the Town of Marlborough.

Mr. Hutchinson was in to speak with the Selectmen regarding the RTC Manager position. He asked a few questions about the position and wondered if he might observe the operation. The Selectmen referred Mr. Hutchinson to Mr. Aiken, the RTC Manager. Mr. Hutchinson left at 1:35 pm.

Selectman Nelson moved to approve the minutes of 2/7/23. Seconded by Selectman Pitt. Vote was unanimous.

Selectman Pitt moved to approve the minutes for the public hearing of 2/9/23 as amended to clarify that fines go to the State of NH, not specifically to the academy. Seconded by Chairman Paight. Vote to approve 2-0. Selectman Nelson abstained as he was not at the public hearing.

Selectman Pitt moved to approve the 2/16/23 Accounts Payable Check Register in the amount of \$41,618.24 and the Payroll Check Register in the amount of \$10,037.46. Seconded by Selectman Nelson. Vote was unanimous.

The Selectmen discussed the building permit application for Map 7 Lot 42. Because the road frontage for this land is on a class VI road, the Selectmen had met with the Planning Board for review as required by the Marlborough Zoning Ordinance. After a discussion, it was moved by Selectman Pitt that per the Town of Marlborough's policy "Issuance of Building Permits on Class VI Highway", this property does not meet the

requirements to build a structure to be used for human habitation as it is substantially more than 1,000' from a class V highway. Seconded by Selectman Nelson. Vote was unanimous.

Selectman Pitt moved that the building permit application received January 4, 2023 to construct a shed on the property located at Map 7 Lot 42 be accepted and forwarded to the Building Inspector for code review. This permit would be issued with the provision that the structure shall not be used for human habitation. Seconded by Selectman Nelson. Vote was unanimous. Per the policy, the owner will be required to prepare and file the release of municipal responsibility at the Cheshire County Registry of Deeds before the permit is issued at his expense.

Marge Shepardson joined the meeting at 2:25 pm.

Ed Moura, Chairman of the Library Trustees, asked a few questions about the bids for the library project and the interest expense if the project was to be bonded.

Mr. Moura left the meeting at 2:50 pm.

Marge Shepardson gave an overview of the Community Power zoom meeting which the Selectmen had disconnected from earlier. There will be a pre-bid zoom meeting on 2/22/23 and bid day is 3/1/23. A sample electric service agreement will be provided to each town for review. The Keene City Attorney will be reviewing the sample agreement and Elizabeth Dragon will share the results of the review with the other towns.

Selectman Pitt moved to adjourn at 3:05 pm. Seconded by Selectman Nelson. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Paight