

# WEARE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES February 13, 2023

**PRESENT:** KEVIN J. CAHILL, SELECTMAN; JONATHAN H. OSBORNE, VICE CHAIRMAN; FREDERICK W. HIPPLER, CHAIRMAN.

ABSENT: SHERRY M. BURDICK, SELECTMAN; JOHN VAN LOENDERSLOOT, SELECTMAN.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR: Naomi L. Bolton

**GUESTS:** Jaidon Colburn; David Erickson; Pat Colburn; Tom Clow; Killian Donnelly.

# **CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Hippler called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM and asked those present to join in the pledge of allegiance.

### **WORK SESSION:**

Jaidon Colburn a 5<sup>th</sup> grader at the Weare Middle School was present with his father Pat and his teacher, David Erickson. Mr. Colburn stated that his social study and science class is studying early colonial times, particularly the making of maple syrup. There is a maple tree on the Town common that they would like to tap to learn about making maple syrup. The Board did not have an issue with this, but wanted a couple of conditions. First, that a sign be put up indicating this tree is being used for classroom learning and secondly that the fastener be removed after the sap is gathered. Mr. Colburn and Mr. Erikson thanked the Board.

### **NONPUBLIC SESSION:**

Chairman Hippler moved; Vice Chairman Osborne seconded to enter into nonpublic session @ 6:40 p.m. pursuant to the authority granted in RSA 91-A: 3II (a & c). A roll call vote was taken, Selectman Cahill – yes; Chairman Hippler – yes; Vice Chairman Osborne - yes. Passed 3-0-0

Town Administrator Bolton was excused from this nonpublic session. Selectman Van arrived at 6:50 PM.

Chairman Hippler moved; Vice Chairman Osborne seconded to exit this nonpublic session @ 7:39 p.m. A roll call vote was taken, Selectman Cahill – yes; Chairman Hippler – yes; Vice Chairman Osborne – yes; Selectman Van – yes. Passed 4-0-0

Chairman Hippler moved; Selectman Van seconded to seal and restrict these nonpublic session minutes. Passed 4-0-0

# **WORK SESSION:**

<u>Solid Waste Ordinance Discussion</u>: Town Administrator Bolton recommended a couple of changes a few months back during her Administrator's Report. It was indicated that 30% of the people are recycling,

whereas per the EPA 70% should be recycling. The Town currently has 3-4 commercial haulers (Killian Donnelly; Scott Deabill; Tony Tavares; and Jeff Wigsten). The town currently has an outdated ordinance adopted in 1993. The Town's solid waste currently goes to Wheelabrator. Currently the town is a member of Concord Resource Recycling Association (CRRA). The Board would like Town Administrator Bolton to check with them to see if they have a newer law driven version of an ordinance that the town could use as a template. Killian Donnelly was present and indicated his knowledge of the number of customers each hauler handles. He indicated that he has between 160-170 customers; Mr. Deabill has between 120-130 customers; Mr. Tavares has between 40-50 customers and he was not sure about Mr. Wigsten. Vice Chairman Osborne stated that he would like to the transfer station manager from New Boston to our next meeting for a discussion on how we can be more compliant, etc.

Selectman Cahill pointed out that the Board should discuss the schedule of meeting. The Board should return of possibly meeting every Monday, two official meetings and at least one work session, possibly two. Selectman Cahill moved, Vice Chairman Osborne to have the Board meet once a week delegating one work session with an option of adding two, while keeping the two official meetings. Passed 4-0-0

The Board discussed the following changes/conditions that they would like to change immediately.

- Commercial haulers "must reside" in Weare, (currently the four commercial haulers are residents.)
- No new commercial haulers are allowed to obtain a haulers license until such time the regulations are updated.

Selectman Van moved, Selectman Cahill seconded to restrict any new commercial haulers for the calendar year 2023, as the existing haulers are considered grandfathered. Passed 4-0-0

# LIBRARY CHIMNEY CONTRACT:

Town Administrator Bolton drafted a contract for the Library Chimney Project between the Town and J.R. Masonry. The Board approved the contract. Chairman Hippler moved, Selectman Van seconded to allow Town Administrator Bolton to sign the contract for the Library Chimney Project with J.R. Masonry. Passed 4-0-0

### **CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER BUSINESS:**

Email from Sgt. Montplaisir: Selectman Van pointed out that Town Administrator Bolton received an email from Sgt. Montplaisir on the ninth asking if we had heard anything back from Attorney Broth. He asked if there is an update as of today. Town Administrator Bolton replied that information did not include Attorney Broth in the first email. He was forwarded the information but as of today has not heard back, meant to call for a follow up, but time did not allow. Selectman Van asked if Town Administrator Bolton could reply to Sgt. Montplaisir and let him know we are still working on it.

<u>Email from Police Chief Chris Moore:</u> Selectman Van stated that the Board received an email from Police Chief Moore regarding the radio project at the East Weare Fire Station. It appears that they did their community action. There were face-to-face meetings and many had letters left. There could be some recurring costs now on Mine Hill due to some potential holes in the zoning that should be looked at next year for zoning amendments.

<u>Email from Resident Regarding Recycling Plastics:</u> Chairman Hippler stated that he received an email from a resident asking when the Town is planning on starting plastic recycling again. Board members felt this is a discussion that should be held with the interim director and all others. Chairman Hippler stated that he would reply to the resident and copy the Board.

<u>Mini-split at Transfer Station:</u> Chairman Hippler would like Town Administrator Bolton to follow up on the mini-split that was to be included at the Transfer Station office.

<u>Second Quote for Trash Compactor</u>: Chairman Hippler asked Town Administrator Bolton to see if Interim DPW Director Fiske if the second quote may be ready for this coming Friday.

Selectman Van stepped out for a short recess, but will return shortly.

### **MANIFEST:**

Chairman Hippler moved, Selectman Cahill seconded to order the Treasurer to sign the payroll and accounts payable checks dated February 16, 2023 as included in the following manifests:

Payroll Manifest \$ 70,197.18 (Weekly payroll)

Accounts Payable Manifest \$ 57,093.13

Supplemental Accounts Payable Manifest \$ 8.82

TOTAL: \$ 127,299.13

As there is no Selectmen meeting scheduled for Monday, February 20, 2023 Please vote:

To order the Treasurer to sign payroll checks dated February 23, 2023 estimated to be about \$80,000.00. Furthermore, to order the Treasurer to sign up to the amount of \$90,000.00 for accounts payables that cannot wait until the next scheduled meeting. Reports and actual check amounts will be reported to the Board of Selectmen by inclusion on the Manifest Memo at the next scheduled meeting.

**Passed 3-0-1 (Van)** 

NONPUBLIC SESSION: Chairman Hippler moved; Selectman Cahill seconded to enter into nonpublic session @ 8:31 p.m. pursuant to the authority granted in RSA 91-A: 3II (a & c). A roll call vote was taken, Selectman Cahill – yes; Chairman Hippler – yes; Vice Chairman Osborne – yes; Selectman Van – (not present – away from meeting). Passed 3-0-0

Chairman Hippler moved; Selectman Van seconded to exit this nonpublic session @ 8:58 p.m. A roll call vote was taken, Selectman Cahill – yes; Chairman Hippler – yes; Vice Chairman Osborne – yes; Selectman Van – yes. Passed 4-0-0

Selectman Van moved; Chairman Hippler seconded to seal and restrict these nonpublic session minutes. Passed 4-0-0

Being there was no further business to come before the Board, Vice Chairman Osborne made a motion, Chairman Hippler seconded to adjourn at 9:00 pm. Passed 4-0-0

# **ADJOURNMENT**

A True Record.

Naomí L. Bolton

Naomi L. Bolton, Town Administrator From notes and YouTube Video