Landaff Select Board Landaff, NH July 6, 2022 6 PM

## Minutes

Present: Denise Cartwright, Jenn Locke, Harry McGovern, Frances Day, Administrative

Assistant, Mark Gustafson, Road Agent and Bethany Carignan, Tax Collector

Zoom: Gayle Clement, Town Clerk at 6:24 p.m.

At 6:11 p.m. Denise made a motion to go into closed session for matters of personnel. Jenn seconded.

At 6:24 p.m. meeting returned to regular session.

Harry informed the Board that he and Mark stopped and visited with Tom Blowey, Assistant Road Agent, to discuss Tom's absence and the position. Tom informed them that due to health issues, he would be resigning his position. Harry then read Tom's resignation letter to the Board. Jenn made a motion that the Board accept Tom's resignation with regret. Denise seconded. The Board expressed that Tom will be missed and wished him the best.

The Board discussed a replacement for the Assistant Road Agent position. Several individuals came to mind and Board members will contact those people to discuss possibilities. In the meantime, Jenn drafted an ad to be placed in the local newspapers for a qualified candidate.

Mark was welcomed to the meeting. The Board wanted to review and discuss several upcoming issues with regard to cost of paving. The first was the updated estimate received from Blaktop with a cost increase. With regard to Jim Noyes Road, the Board consensus was not to go overbudget. Discussion ensued as to ways to stay within or under budget while getting most, if not all, of the job done on the road which will require a reduction by approximately \$30,000.00. Mark was advised to go back to Blaktop and discuss what could be done with budgeted amounts, i.e., reduce linear footage to fit budget; do entire job with exception of reduce ditching; grind it, compact it and pave as much as we can and leave a portion of it for next year. Harry believed that we should do the entire road this year with the exception of the finish coat.

Mark will negotiate with Blacktop. He will also obtain an estimate from Chief and report back to the Select Board.

The topic of fuel prices arose and Harry explained that prices are most definitely on the rise. This line item is now over budget with six more months left in the year. Harry and Mark will

review and determine if cost savings measures can be achieved. Looking forward the fuel companies involved have been contacted but, at this time, are not discussing budget options.

Jenn then asked Mark if he would be interested in any of the Road Scholar programs that are offered by the State of NH or Primex. Mark stated that he would be if applicable to his position. He also offered that he needs some assistance with the computer down at the garage. He needs access to e-mail account. Harry stated that he would stop by to help with computer.

Mark also inquired about the new flag and what needs to be done to the flagpole. Harry advised that we need a new pulley and rope in order to put the new flag up. Harry will follow-up.

Jenn asked Mark if there would be any upcoming problems working without an assistant. Mark did not think so at this time. In the future, there may arise some situations where Mark will need help such as, ditching. Mark advised that we will need more gravel and to keep that in mind for next year's budget.

Harry and Mark will go around town to determine what additionally needs to be done. Mark believes he can work round budget for now.

The Board thanked Mark for his attendance at this meeting. Mark then left the meeting.

Denise advised that in response to correspondence from the Littleton Pet Center, she called Above the Notch and spoke with Nancy Cooper. Nancy explained that right now the Above the Notch Humane Society are sending all their rescues to No. Conway for now until they can get their own facility. Harry will follow up to see if any local owners of boarding facilities would be interested in helping out.

As a follow up to the e-mail send by Drummond Woodsum, Denise will provide a draft letter for review at the next Select Board meeting.

Jenn asked Fran if she would like to go back to the earlier schedule where Monday would be only an office day, not an official Town Hall open to the public day. That way work could be completed without interruption. Fran agreed that would be preferable especially as we get into fall and winter.

Gayle then informed the Board that she will be off on July 19 for possibly a week. Cathy Ferony, Deputy Town Clerk, will take over her duties during that time. Denise asked Gayle to keep the Board advised.

At 8:04 p.m., Denise then made a motion to go into closed session for purposes RSA91-A:3 No. 2 (i). Harry seconded. Gayle left the meeting.

At 8:18 p.m. the meeting returned to regular session.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Denise made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Harry.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Trances R. Day

Denise Cartwright

Jenn Locke

Harry McGovern

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## Closed Minutes

Present: Denise Cartwright, Jenn Locke, Harry McGovern and Bethany Carignan, Tax Collector

Meeting was called to order at 6:14 p.m. to discuss matters of personnel.

At 6:23 p.m. Denise made a motion to adjourn this meeting. Jenn seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Cartwright

Jenn Locke

Harry McGovern

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## Closed Meeting

Present:

Denise Cartwright, Jenn Locke, Harry McGovern and Frances Day,

Administrative Assistant

Meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m.

The Board discussed and responded to a confidential police request under RSA91-A:3 No. 2 (i).

At 8:16 p.m, Denise made a motion to adjourn this closed meeting. Harry seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Trances R. Nay
Frances R. Day

Denise Cartwright

Jenn Locke

Harry McGovern