

SELECTMEN'S MEETING– April 24, 2023

Present: Margo Connors, Chris Ellms, Richard Bielefield
Jennifer Gaudette

Guests: Police Chief Mike Ho-Sing-Loy, Fire Chief Allan Clark

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

The board will meet with Franconia and Easton Select Boards next week to finalize plans for the solid waste contract. Casella gave a grace period until May 8th.

CHIEF HO-SING-LOY met with the board to update them on police department business. Currently waiting on the new radio console but the hand held have been received. Going to have the building evaluated for an antenna for better reception. Chief has been working with the health officers and Adult & /elderly services regarding a local resident. The Chief outlined the process for the 2023 update of the Hazardous Mitigation Plan that is being handled by June Garneau from MAPS. The total money received is \$6,995.75 with the town providing a match through hours spent on the update process.

CHRIS ELLMS discussed with both Chief Ho-Sing-Loy and Chief Clark his meeting with NH Dot Engineer James McMahon in regard to the Bowen Brook Culvert Project. Discussed were the options of the State closing the road for two weeks or a 6–8-week period with one lane open. All agreed that the two-week option after Labor Day would be in the best interest. People can divert around Lover's Lane and down Lafayette Road and or Bickford Hill to Route 116. Truck traffic would not be allowed during this time.

CHIEF CLARK met with the board to update them on Fire/Rescue Department business. Total fire runs in first quarter were 12. Total EMS calls were 9. Discussed budget status. Currently 22 active firefighters. Chief Clark updated on FEMA projects including the final approval for the Indian Brook Bridge and the need for additional data for the 2017 storm. The Chief noted that Ski Hearth Farm will require a full sprinkler system as a place of assembly. Also updated the board on new law that will require the Planning Board to review all driveway permits with input from the Fire Chief.

MR. ELLMS made a motion to approve the minutes of APRIL 17, 2023, seconded by MR. BIELEFIELD. The motion passed unanimously.

With no more business before the Board, MR. ELLMS made a motion to adjourn, seconded by MS. CONNORS, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM. The next regular scheduled meeting is Monday May 1, 2023, at the Carolina Crapo Building at 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Jennifer Gaudette,
Administrative Assistant