SELECTMEN'S MEETING-February 12, 2024

- Present: Margo Connors, Richard Bielefield, Chris Ellms Jennifer Gaudette
- Guests: Lissa Boissonneault, Caryn Shamey, Rose Ellms, Claire & Fred Von Karls, Larry & Judy Sawyer, Nick De Mayo, Ken Leavitt, Cpl Donahue

The board will not meet on Monday, February 19, 2023 in recognition of the Presidents' Day Holiday.

CHRIS ELLMS made a motion to approve the minutes and budget hearing minutes of February 5, 2024, seconded by RICHARD BIELEFIELD. The motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

The Easement for the Indian Brook Project has been approved and signed off by SFPNH and Jennifer will contact property owner to sign.

The board signed an Intent to Cut Wood or Timber: Supplemental Report – Philip Roshak Map 222, Lot 1.01, 1.03, 2 & 3

MARGO CONNORS reminded all about the Community Power Hearing on Monday, February 19, 2024 at 6:00 pm at the Crapo Building.

MARGO CONNORS updated the board on Transfer Station changes. Meadowstone Farm will no longer pick up the compost for free. Will be minimal \$10.00 charge per week.

JENNIFER notified the board that LRH no longer has an Occupational Health department for drug testing when an employee is randomly selected from the pool. They are now required to sit and wait in Urgent Care which is not practical or healthy. Margo will call and speak with the hospital. We can request that Convenient MD be our location.

THE SELECT BOARD WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING PER RSA 41:8-b ON MONDAY MARCH 4^{TH} , 2024 AT 6:00PM FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING ARTICLE #2 ON THE 2024 TOWN WARRANT.

CHRIS ELLMS updated the board on correspondence regarding a DES issue off Mountain View Lane in both Franconia and Sugar Hill.

It was noted that the Sunset Hill Club House has be designated as a Historical Building.

CLAIRE VON KARLS thanked Jennifer for the newsletter prep. Claire felt that there could be a set time prior to the meeting like 4:55 when those that would like to arrive early could say the Pledge of Allegiance.

NICK DE MAYO felt that the board has not been consistent with the Pledge and requested that the board synchronize their watches with the clock on the wall. Mr. De Mayo asked about the order of the warrant articles. Mr. De Mayo had a question on the Intent to Cut that was signed and he was provided with the forester's contact information.

KEN LEAVITT was also in favor of the pledge being recited five minutes before the start of the meeting.

Motion to enter Nonpublic Session made by Dick Bielefield seconded by Chris Ellms

Specific Statutory Reason cited as foundation for the nonpublic session:

RSA 91-A:3, II(c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, **other than a member of this board**, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.

The board moved to Non-public session at 5:30pm

Roll Call vote to enter nonpublic session: Margo Connors-Yes, Richard Bielefield-Yes Chris Ellms – Yes,

Roll Call Vote to seal minutes because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board : Margo Connors – Yes, Richard Bielefield – Yes, Chris Ellms -Yes. Motion: PASSED

Motion to leave nonpublic session and adjourn the meeting at 5:55pm., by MARGO CONNORS, seconded by DICK BIELEFIELD. Motion: PASSED

The next regular scheduled meeting is Monday February 26, 2024, at 5:00pm. at the Crapo Building.

Respectfully submitted:

Jennifer Gaudette Administrative Assistant