



Town of Dublin  
Select Board Meeting  
Monday, July 31, 2023

4:30 PM in person and via Zoom

In attendance: Carole Monroe, Susan Peters, Chris Raymond, Judy Knapp, Chris Sprague, Kathy Nichols, Pamela Bator, Karl Eckilson and Maureen Hulslander

Select Board reviewed payroll, accounts payable and the correspondence file.

CALL TO ORDER: Carole called the meeting to order at 4:30pm

#### SELECT BOARD'S BUSINESS:

1. **Library Trustees-Transition Plan-** Chris Sprague, chair of the Library Trustees opened the discussion by stating that the Library would like to reset their relationship with the Select Board. He thanked Nancy Cayford for her years of service as a Trustee and also thanked Rachael Lovett for her service as Library Director. Chris presented a chart of statistics to the Board documenting visitors to the library and services provided to them and discussed future plans for library development. He would like to talk about working on a mutually agreeable MOU (Memorandum of Understanding which set out and summarizes a cooperative agreement between Select Boards and libraries under RSA 31). Since the Library is currently looking to hire a new director, Chris asked for guidelines. Carole shared her research compiled from comparing budgets with several neighboring town with similar populations sharing budget expectations for the position.
2. **Karl Eckilson-** Karl asked the Board if he could clean up trees on Town owned property Map 16 Lot 29, that came down during the severe storm July 27<sup>th</sup>. The Town would have to hire a company to clean them up or leave them to decay. It would be a waste to allow this to happen. Karl has his own liability insurance and would file Intent to Cut. Chris made a motion to grant Karl the ability to salvage trees and wood on Town land behind the Elementary School with a landing on Yankee Property, to file Intent to Cut papers and pay Town timber taxes. Susan seconded. Roll Call vote: Chris, yes. Susan, yes. Carole, yes.
3. **Building Permit for signature-** Signed by the Board
  - Map 3 Lot 39 Sub C 41 Korpi Road
4. **Report of timber cut for signature-** Signed by the Board
  - Map 3 Lot 67 22-127-05-T

5. **Approval of the Minutes of July 17, 2023-** Chris made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Carole seconded. Roll Call vote: Chris, yes. Susan, yes. Carole, yes.
6. **Solid Waste RFP for consideration-** The Board reviewed the advertisement that will be published requesting bids. Edits were made.
7. **Office of Highway Safety Grant-for signature-** Signed by the Board
8. **Miscellaneous:**
  - The Highway department continues roadside clean up and repairing ditches from the July 27<sup>th</sup> storm. A felled tree in the cemetery has been removed. Unfortunately, it was not one of the trees included in the Cemetery's tree removal quote.
  - Cost for the Repeater needed for Highway communication was higher than expected.
  - Maureen Hulslander, Town Clerk/Tax Collector, presented a list of properties with back taxes due for the Board's review.
  - Highway Block Grant money has been received; in the amount of \$23,572.18.
  - Swift Corwin visited other Town owned properties to assess the possible hemlock looper infestation and found none.
  - The Town Administrator and Tax Collector met with legal counsel to discuss the process of having a property deeded back to the owners.
  - Staff vacations were discussed.
  - Wednesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7PM in the basement of Town Hall, a Public Hearing will be held on Community Power. All are encouraged to attend.
  - July 22<sup>nd</sup>'s meeting, Dublin's Housing Future, was successful. Thank you to the Housing Committee for all the behind the scenes preparation. Susan reviewed the committee's budget obtained from a grant. This will be a topic of conversation at their meeting tonight as well.

Carole made a motion to go into a non-public session at 6:09pm under RSA 91-A:3, II(e). Chris seconded. Roll Call vote: Chris, yes. Susan, yes. Carole, yes.

A motion was made by Carole and seconded by Chris to re-enter public session and seal the non-public minutes at 6:38pm. Roll Call Vote: Susan, yes. Carole, yes. Chris, yes.

9. **Special Town Meeting-**After research and recommendation from legal counsel, Carole made a motion to not hold a special Town Meeting. The Police Training Facility proposal was withdrawn, there is not another proposal for consideration and there is no business to act upon at a special Town meeting. The Select Board has decided that there is no practical necessity under RSA 39:9 and RSA 31:95-b. This issue may be raised at the regular Town meeting. Susan seconded. Roll Call vote: Chris, yes. Susan, yes. Carole, yes.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Carole made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:40pm. Chris seconded.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Katherine M. Fuller and Pamela J. Celko

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Carole Monroe (Chair)

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Susan Peters

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Chris Raymond