

Town of Dublin Select Board Meeting Monday, September 18, 2023

4:30 PM in person and via Zoom

In attendance: Carole Monroe, Susan Peters, Chris Raymond, and Charter-Spectrum representatives, Michael Liccione and John Maher

Select Board reviewed correspondence

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

SELECT BOARD'S BUSINESS:

- 1. Charter Cable Fiber provider-The representatives from Charter made a business presentation on expanding their network to Dublin. They are a large internet, phone and video provider. They are exploring a cable franchise in Town. Discussion ensued about the services that they offer. There is an issue of the fact that the Town has to pay the Broadband Bond each month and this comes from the Consolidated Communications bills. They were asked to send a draft franchise agreement so it can be considered and compared to the Consolidated Communications contract.
- 2. **Building Permit**-Signed by the Board
 - Map 6 Lot 43-18 Lehmann Way
- 3. **Solid Waste Bids**-The Board compared the two bids that were received. Chris made a motion to accept the lower bid from Monadnock Disposal Service of \$140 per ton for regular trash and \$150 for demolition; increasing by \$10 each year for the three years of the contract. Carole seconded. Roll call vote: Carole, yes; Susan, yes; Chris, yes.
- 4. **Transfer Station evaluation companies for consideration-** Transfer Station Superintendent, Tom Kennedy, initiated an evaluation of the Transfer Station. Per his email to the DES dated August 21, 2023, Tom requested that the DES intervene in performing a safety inspection. In previous years, the Select Board has made many attempts to resolve concerns as they were brought to their attention. The Select Board contacted DES. DES had a concern about one issue and the Board resolved this matter. The Select Board is willing to initiate a thorough, independent evaluation of the Transfer Station Facility

- 5. **Intent to Cut Timber-**Signed by the Board
 - Map 3 Lot 5 Upper Jaffrey Road
- 6. **Approval of the Minutes of September 11, 2023**-Carole made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Chris seconded. Roll call vote: Carole, yes; Susan, yes; Chris, yes.
- 7. **Approval of Non-Public Minutes of September 11, 2023**-Susan made a motion to approve the two sets of minutes as written and that they remain sealed. Chris seconded. Roll call vote: Carole, yes; Susan, yes; Chris, yes.
- 8. **Budget Discussion**-The State Education Tax rate was received. It is \$1.22 per thousand, last year was \$1.20. Discussion on wages and inflation for 2024 ensued.
- 9. Miscellaneous, Town Administrator report and Select Board report on Committees
 - Town Clerk job description rewording and Deputy Town Clerk Tax Collector ad for the Advocate was received.
 - Complete Street Grant and Cyber Security Grant were discussed.
 - The Select Board accepted the resignation of Planning Board Secretary Madalyn Palatino. An ad has gone out and the Planning Board is interviewing candidates.
 - The Town received a notice of Bench Trial for the litigation with Public Service of New Hampshire around utility pole valuations, almost every city and town in the State is party to this legal action.
 - Abatement discussion-An abatement was discussed, Kate will follow up with the Town Clerk/Tax Collector.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Carole made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:06pm. Chris seconded.

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Minutes respectfully subm	nitted by Katherin	e M. Fuller	
Carole Monroe (Chair)			
Susan Peters			
Chris Raymond			