

TOWN OF JAFFREY
Jaffrey, New Hampshire
Select Board Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2024

Chairman: Franklin W. Sterling, Jr.

Selectmen: Kevin Chamberlain, Charles Turcotte

Town Manager: Jon Frederick

Staff: Administrative Assistant Zola

Others: Andy Lawn, Nathan Flowers

A. Call to Order – 6:00pm

B. Public Hearings- Issuance of bonds or notes exceeding \$100,000

Chairman Sterling opened the Public Hearing at 6:00pm

Squantum Road water main replacement appropriation of \$2.575 M

This is for the design and construction of Stratton Road to the each and from Sherwin Hill to Prescott Street. NH SRF would have 70% principal forgiveness and the Town would get a low interest loan for the remaining 30% to be paid off early without any penalties.

WWTP lagoon closure design appropriation of \$100K

The State wants these lagoons closed and has offered a \$100,000 loan with 100% principal forgiveness.

There's no deadline for funding after the design is done and TM Frederick feels that funding will be available after the design is completed.

Hearing no public comments, Chairman Sterling closed the Public Hearing at 6:08pm.

C. Appointments – None

D. Approval of Meeting Minutes

On a motion by Chamberlain, seconded by Turcotte, the Public Minutes of January 22, 2024 were approved (3-0).

On a motion by Chamberlain, seconded by Turcotte, the Non-Public Minutes of January 22, 2024 were approved and sealed (3-0).

E. Consent Agenda

1. Payroll and Vendor Manifest
2. Elderly Exemption
 - a) Wendy Libberton – 31 Oak Street

3. Veterans Tax Credit
 - a) Ramona Johnson – 401 Gilmore Pond Road- (Spouse) - All Veterans Credit - \$500
4. Acceptance of Donation
 - a) First Church in Jaffrey - \$2,128.34 – Welfare Department
5. Appointments to Boards/Committees
 - a) Judith Goff – Alternate Library Trustee – Term to expire 2025
 - b) Peter Lambert – Cemetery Committee – Term to Expire 2026
6. Meetinghouse Requests
 - a) #2024-1 – Project Shakespeare – Rehearsals and 2 Performances – June 24-August 3
 - b) #2024-2 – Nicole Foster & Daniel Griben – Wedding – September 14, 2024
7. Raffle Request
 - a) Shelter from the Storm – Taste of Monadnock – July 28/Antique Road Show – Nov. 22
8. Annual Road Weight Limit Posting
9. Tax Collectors 2nd Cycle 2024 Septic Haulers Commitment Warrant
 - a) \$3,780

On a motion by Chamberlain, seconded by Turcotte, the Consent Agenda was approved as presented (3-0).

F. Old Business- None

G. New Business

Certification of the 2024 Warrant

On a motion by Chamberlain, seconded by Turcotte, the BOS certified the 2024 Warrant (3-0).

Resolution #2024-8 – Authorize annual withdrawal from the Reclamation Fund of up to \$25,000.

This withdrawal was done for the first-time last year. These funds can be used for solid waste disposal at MDS. The balance is \$116,000, this year's ask is for \$25,000.

On a motion by Chamberlain, seconded by Turcotte, Resolution #2024-8 was approved (3-0).

H. Reports to the Select Board

Selectmen's Reports

Sterling- Planning Board meets tomorrow. Site plan for the subdivision at 371 Mountain Road needed. The existing driveway needs some work for approval.

Chamberlain – Both Community Power meetings were well attended 50 residents at the first meeting and 40 at the second meeting with good questions being asked. Program will start in March unless you opt out. The Broker stated there were more inquiries about opting in rather than opting out. There were a few residents who did have cancellation fees from their current providers. It's important to have electric bill when opting in or out, since account numbers are needed.

Turcotte- Cemetery Committee has an opening for a member at large for a 3-year term. Budget hearing on Saturday went well, but wasn't well attended by residents. Sterling thought it was because of resident confidence in the process by Budcom & TM Frederick.

Town Manager's Report

- ICMA has an Army Fellowship program and Jaffrey, the smallest town, has been selected. Dr. David Knolton from Alabama will be here for a week during the Summer to see how civilian town management functions. TM Frederick will be going to the Pentagon for training March 21 & 22.

I. Other Business - None

- J. Non-Public** - In Accordance with RSA 91-A:3, II (J) Roll Call Vote to Enter Non-Public Session at 6:30pm (3-0) (Sterling-yay, Chamberlain-yay, Turcotte-yay).

On a motion by Chamberlain, seconded by Turcotte to exit non-public and seal the minutes at 7:11pm (3-0).

K. Adjournment

On a motion by Chamberlain, seconded by Turcotte to adjourn at 7:11pm (3-0).

Submitted:

Attest:

Judith A. Zola
Administrative Assistant

Franklin W. Sterling, Jr.
Chairman

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