

**CHARLESTOWN WATER/WASTEWATER COMMISSIONERS
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2023 AT 5:30 P.M.
CHARLESTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM**

Selectboard Present: Jeremy Wood (Chair), Nancy Houghton, William Rescsanski, Shelly Blouin-Andrus (Vice-Chair), Jeff Lessels

Staff Present: Jordan Cannon, Recording Secretary
 Ken Vandenburg, Water
 Patricia Chaffee, Tax Collector
 Mark LaFlam, Fire Chief
 Shawn O'Hearne, Assistant Fire Chief
 Keith Weed, Highway

Others Present: Steve Neill

Water Inter-connect Update

Mr. Wood opened up the water/wastewater commissioners meeting at 5:30 pm. Mr. Wood commenced a discussion concerning a letter which was sent to SUR about an employee taking an item from one of the worksites. Ms. Chaffee stated that she would review her emails to verify that the taken item was returned.

Mr. Wood commented upon correspondence from a Mr. Willis regarding a generator. He stated that the town presently does not have the filters which will allow the town to wait until December. The Selectboard discussed possible options to address the delay. Mr. Vandenburg stated that the town changes 9 filters each 6 months, and the total number of filters is 18. Mr. Vandenburg stated that he should have arsenic samples back in a week or so. Ms. Houghton stated her opinion to wait until June to change the filters, as they are readily available.

Department Head Report

Mr. Vandenburg discussed the North Charlestown VFD. He stated there are three options at present: to order a new VFD which would be 26 weeks out, find a used one, or find parts. He stated he does not have all of the costs associated with these three options. He stated that the VFD from Bull Run sets Clay Brook as the backup. He stated he does not foresee the process to be long and dragged out. Mr. Wood commented that he understood the price of a new VFD to be approximately \$3,000. Mr. Vandenburg stated that one of the older VFDs needs a motherboard replacement, which the approximate total costs of this would be \$1,500-2,000. Mr. Vandenburg stated his preference is to find a used one, given the length of time waiting for a new one to arrive. Mr. Vandenburg stated that North

Rescsanski (yes), Mr. Wood (yes) Ms. Blouin-Andrus (no), Mr. Lessels (present). Motion passed.

Ms. Houghton motioned to go into non-public at 6:42 p.m. RSA 91-A:3 II (l) Legal. Ms. Houghton seconded the motion. Roll Call: Ms. Houghton (yes), Mr. Rescsanski (yes), Mr. Wood (yes) Ms. Blouin-Andrus (yes), Mr. Lessels (yes). Motion passed.

The meeting reconvened at 6:55 p.m.

Ms. Houghton motioned to abate property taxes of \$2,745.32 at 1083 S. Hemlock Road. Mr. Lessels seconded the motion. Roll Call: Ms. Houghton (yes), Mr. Rescsanski (no), Mr. Wood (yes) Ms. Blouin-Andrus (yes), Mr. Lessels (yes). Motion passed.

The meeting let for recess at 6:57 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:05 p.m.

Mr. Wood commented on an email he received from Chief Connors asking the Selectboard to approve the hiring of a part-time dispatcher.

Mr. Wood advised Mr. O'Hearne that Primex did say that if Chief LaFlam is on a call as a chief in a personal vehicle, they would pay the cost of his deductible. Ms. Blouin-Andrus commented that Human Resources should send a letter to Chief LaFlam regarding this information.

Mr. Wood stated he read through the waiver of liability. Mr. Lessels motioned to accept the waiver of liability regarding class 6 roads. Mr. Rescsanski seconded the motion. Roll Call: Ms. Houghton (yes), Mr. Rescsanski (yes), Mr. Wood (yes) Ms. Blouin-Andrus (no), Mr. Lessels (present). Motion passed.

Minutes of Previous Meetings

Mr. Rescsanski motioned to approve the minutes of 2.8.23 Regular Meeting, 2.8.23 NP #1 (Reputations), 2.8.23 NP #2 (Reputations), 2.8.23 NP #3 (Reputations), 2.8.23 NP #4 (Reputations), 2.15.23 Regular Meeting, 2.15.23 NP #1 (Legal). Ms. Houghton seconded the motion. Roll Call: Ms. Houghton (yes), Mr. Rescsanski (yes), Mr. Wood (yes) Ms. Blouin-Andrus (no), Mr. Lessels (present). Motion passed.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Rescsanski motioned to accept the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Rescsanski changed his motion to include payroll 2.23.23, accounts payable 2.22.23, liability waiver for live burn at 417 J Meadow, and 2 purchase orders for winter sand. Ms. Houghton seconded the motion. Roll Call: Ms. Houghton (yes), Mr. Rescsanski (yes), Mr. Wood (yes) Ms. Blouin-Andrus (no), Mr. Lessels (present). Motion passed.

**Charlestown Board of Selectmen
Non-Public Meeting Minutes #2
RSA 91-A:3 II (b-Hiring)
February 22, 2023 @ 5:30 p.m.
Community Room**

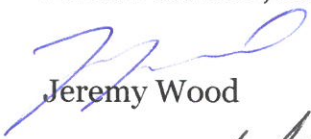
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Staff Present: Jordan Cannon, Recording Secretary

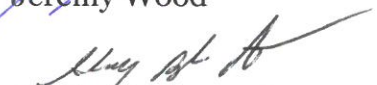
Mr. Wood read an email from Chief Connors concerning his request that the Selectboard approve the hiring of a part-time dispatcher.

Mr. Lessels motioned to exit non-public session at 7:43 p.m., 2nd: Mr. Rescsanski. Roll call: Ms. Blouin-Andrus (yes), Mr. Wood (yes), Ms. Houghton (yes), Mr. Rescsanski (yes), Mr. Lessels (yes)

Respectfully Submitted,
Jordan Cannon, Recording Secretary



Jeremy Wood



Shelly Blouin-Andrus



Nancy Houghton



Jeffrey Lessels



William Rescsanski

**Charlestown Board of Selectmen
Non-Public Meeting Minutes #1
RSA 91-A:3 II (I-Legal)
February 22, 2023 @ 5:30 p.m.
Community Room**

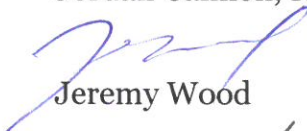
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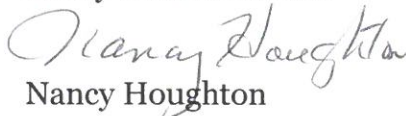
Ms. Chaffee reviewed a previous discussion held with the Selectboard concerning contact with New Hampshire Housing Authority and a resident within town. She stated that the original calculations did not include an amount for taxes, and the Selectboard must decide on how to proceed. Ms. Chaffee stated the appraised value of the property under discussion is \$165,600.

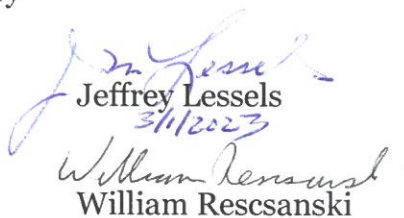

Ms. Houghton motioned to exit non-public session at 6:55 p.m., 2nd: Mr. Rescsanski. Roll call: Ms. Blouin-Andrus (yes), Mr. Wood (yes), Ms. Houghton (yes), Mr. Rescsanski (yes), Mr. Lessels (yes)

Respectfully Submitted,
Jordan Cannon, Recording Secretary


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3/1/2023

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