

Board of Selectmen  
Meeting Minutes  
January 12, 2022

Present: James C. Bailey, Chairman; Meleny Nagy, Selectwoman; Iris Campbell, Selectwoman; Laura Buono, Town Administrator.

In Attendance: Riche' Colcombe; Mary Morehouse Rogers; Leigh Bosse.

Chairman Bailey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Bailey announced that the Dubois & King presentation that was scheduled for tonight will be rescheduled for February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**1. OPEN SESSION**

*Mary Morehouse Rogers* – Mary Morehouse Rogers came before the Board as President of the Lions Club to donate “Town of Hillsborough” banners for the decorative light posts in the downtown area. The Board thanked Ms. Rogers for the donation.

*Leigh Bosse* – Mr. Bosse requested again that the Board approach the Department of Transportation and request to have the turn lanes at the intersection of West Main Street (4-way corner of School & Bridge) removed. He said he feels if those lanes are eliminated, it will make way for angle in parking in front of the buildings in the downtown area. The Board agreed to have the Town Administrator contact NHDOT.

**2. OTHER BUSINESS**

*Proposed 2022 Budget Sheets*– Ms. Buono handed out up-to-date worksheets for the Proposed 2022 Budget as it stands today and reviewed the operating budget and estimated revenues with the Board. She said due to an increased need for capital projects as well as the fact that large budget items are going up in price (roadwork, materials, NHRS rates, etc.), we are currently at an almost 4% increase over 2021. The Board reviewed the worksheets and discussed various items. Chairman Bailey said he spoke with the Road Agent and pricing just came in for two red listed bridges which may be something that the Board may want to include in the budget. Ms. Buono said Mr. Butler dropped those proposals off at the office this afternoon, but she hadn't been able to review them before the meeting. The total cost for the two bridges is \$419,000 which would need to be added in if the Board decides to have them done in 2022. Ms. Buono will forward the information to the Board. She said the public hearing on the budget is scheduled for February 9<sup>th</sup>.

*Utility Assessing* – Ms. Buono brought forward the new contract for Sansoucy and Associates for our utility assessing services. She said the price per year is remaining the same as it has been in the past (\$10,000) and it includes a utility revaluation in 2022. The Board reviewed the information. Chairman Bailey moved to approve the Sansoucy and Associates contract for utility assessing as presented. Motion was seconded by Selectwoman Campbell. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

### **3. LONG TERM PROJECTS**

*250<sup>th</sup> Celebration* – Ms. Buono mentioned that the Bonfire/Winter Carnival kickoff event that was held on January 8<sup>th</sup> was very successful. The next event is taking place on February 12<sup>th</sup> and is a 1920's Costume Ball.

*Sidewalk Project* – Ms. Buono asked the Board if they had any questions, comments, or concerns about the Scope of Work that Dubois and King sent with regard to the next phase of the sidewalk project. She said that although Mr. Breslend isn't here at the meeting tonight, he asked that I send him any questions the Board had. Selectwoman Nagy said she reviewed it and will take a second look at it but didn't have any questions at this time. Chairman Bailey and Selectwoman Campbell didn't have any immediate questions about the document. Ms. Buono asked the Board to send her any comments or questions they may come up with by the end of the week so that she can respond to Mr. Breslend.

### **4. MANIFEST MOTION**

Chairman Bailey moved to authorize the Selectmen to sign check numbers 017258 - 017302 a/k/a Vouchers 52, 1 & 2 in the amount of \$296,832.44 (includes 316 direct deposit stubs) and Accounts Payable Check numbers 026312 - 026573 a/k/a Voucher 35, 1, 2, 3 & 4 in the amount of \$3,178,949.09. Motion was seconded by Selectwoman Nagy. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

\*\* A/P checks include payment to HDSD in the amount of \$1,678,227.56

### **5. CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Bailey moved to approve the Consent Agenda for January 12, 2022. Motion was seconded by Selectwoman Nagy. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- Veterans Tax Credit – Map 16 Lot 95; Map 7 Lot 150; Lot 8 Map 106-23
- Yield Tax Levy in the amount of \$1,025.26

### **6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Bailey moved to approve the Selectmen's Minutes of December 22, 2021. Motion was seconded by Selectwoman Campbell. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Bailey moved to approve the Selectmen's Minutes of December 28, 2021. Motion was seconded by Selectwoman Campbell. A vote was taken. Motion passed with two in favor and one, Selectwoman Nagy, abstaining.

### **7. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Bailey moved to adjourn at 6:44 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectwoman Nagy. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

A true record.

Laura Buono  
Town Administrator

Approved by:  
Hillsborough Selectboard

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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James C. Bailey III, Chairman

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Meleny Nagy, Selectwoman

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Iris Campbell, Selectwoman