

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**Tuesday, April 4, 2023**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 5:04 pm by Chairman Penney.

**Present:** Chairman Penney, Vice Chair Gary Madden, Board Members Diane Beijer, Edward Tasker, and Priscilla Tiede; Town Administrator Karen Montgomery and Recording Secretary MaryJane Dascoli.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Everyone present participated.

**AGENDA REVIEW:** The Town Administrator stated the price of diesel from Huckleberry fluctuate but presently they are lower than the State bid price by .18 cents.

**ACTION ITEMS:** The Board reviewed the minutes from the March 28, 2023 meeting. Member D. Beijer made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by P. Tiede and passing with the following votes: Chairman Penney, yes; Vice Chair Madden, yes; D. Beijer, yes; E. Tasker, yes; P. Tiede, yes. The Payroll and Manifest, 2 Timber Tax Levies, 3 Intents to Excavate and a letter to LRPC appointing David Kerr to the TAC Committee were reviewed and signed. Member P. Tiede made a motion for the Chairman to sign the BMSI Payroll Conversion proposal, seconded by Member D. Beijer and passing with the following votes: Chairman Penney, yes; Vice Chair Madden, yes; D. Beijer, yes; E. Tasker, yes; P. Tiede, yes.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Pennichuck Water Report was discussed. Dept. of Environmental Services provided an e-mail stating they are happy with the results and the criteria has been met. DES felt building could continue in Locke Lake Colony. Member P. Tiede made a motion to remove the ban on building permits for Locke Lake Colony due to the Pennichuck report and DES, seconded by Member D. Beijer and passing with the following votes: Chairman Penney, yes; Vice Chair Madden, yes; D. Beijer, yes; E. Tasker, yes; P. Tiede, yes.

The Chase's, who clean Town Hall gave a resignation with a 2 week notice.

**PUBLIC INPUT/ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Public Input was opened at 5:09 pm. Nancy Carr, with the Old Home Day Committee, addressed the Board. She stated that OHD Committee met and the date of 8/12/23 has been selected for this years' "Life on the Farm" event. She stated she is looking for a place to hold the festivities, and their 1<sup>st</sup> choice was behind Town Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> choice at the Parade Grounds and 3<sup>rd</sup> choice at the Elementary School. A discussion followed and E. Tasker added that the Parade grounds have always been the best location to have OHD because it is centrally located, has a bandstand, plenty of parking, and if the Fire Department does a sit down meal, it is within walking distance. He inquired about Fireworks and Nancy stated there will be no fireworks this year. Chairman Penney asked the

Town Administrator if there would be construction going on behind Town Hall come August and K. Montgomery stated that there would be and she would hate to see that project halted due to this where there are other viable locations. Nancy added that the Committee looked at each weekend date in August so as not to conflict with anything else going on in and around Barnstead. More discussion followed and it was decided that a letter would go out to the Church asking permission to use the Parade Grounds this year. Member Beijer made a motion for the Board to send a letter to the Parade Church asking to use the grounds on 8/12/23 for OHD; seconded by Member Tiede and passing with the following votes: Chairman Penney, yes; Vice Chair Madden, yes; D. Beijer, yes; E. Tasker, yes; P. Tiede, yes. Nancy announced that there is a meeting of the OHD Committee for Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at the Town Hall for anyone interested in attending or joining. She added that she would send a list of events to the Town Administrator for insurance review and the list of names for appointment forms. Public Input was closed at 5:30 pm.

**DEPARTMENT HEADS:** Chief Poirier met with the Board and relayed that “Buka” the police canine, was used on a recent incident with a “lost person with dementia” call. The person ultimately ended up getting a ride from someone and was fine, but it was nice to have the nose and senses of a dog on the incident too. The Chief informed the Board that Duty Officer Sgt. Cole attended County Attorney Training which was free, and Officer Richardson attended a weeklong Leadership Training Program. Officers Cookinham and O’Toole attended Mountain Bike Training, the Lieutenant is attending Jujitsu Class, and everyone has had Live Scan Training. The Ice Cream Truck is getting ready to come out of winter storage. Watch for it at Baseball games and Basketball games at the B.E.S. He will be going to the Massachusetts Chiefs’ of Police Trade Show coming up and bringing the Ice Cream Truck to show off. Selectman Tiede confirmed that the Trade Show would not be on town time or have any costs to the town. The Chief commented that he has started a small business with trailers and ice cream trucks. The last trailer he built, was built in his living room. He takes these to kids Cancer Events, Make A Wish requests, and Special Olympics Events.

**APPOINTMENTS:** A Public Hearing was held at 5:40 (minutes attached). Mr. Carpenter addressed the Board informing them that the shelter/pavilion on the Harrison Conservation property had gotten blown over and moved due to strong winds during this past winter. He said he spoke with Fab Cusson, who offered to help get the structure back to it’s original place and secure it.

**NON-PUBLIC:** A motion was made by Member Beijer to go into Non-Public at 5:53 pm, per RSA 91-A:3 II (b), seconded by Vice Chair Madden and passing with the following votes: Chairman Penney, yes; Vice Chair Madden, yes; D. Beijer, yes; E. Tasker, yes, P. Tiede, yes. The Board came out of non-public session at 6:08 pm.

**NON-PUBLIC:** A motion was made by Member Beijer to go into Non-Public at 6:10 pm, per RSA 91-A:3 II (b), seconded by Vice Chair Madden and passing with the following votes:

Chairman Penney, yes; Vice Chair Madden, yes; D. Beijer, yes; E. Tasker, yes, P. Tiede, yes.  
The Board came out of non-public session at 6:55 pm.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Member Beijer to adjourn the meeting at 6:55pm, seconded by Vice Chair Madden and passing with the following votes: Chairman Penney, yes; Vice Chair Madden, yes; D. Beijer, yes; E. Tasker, yes, P. Tiede, yes.

Respectfully submitted,

MaryJane Dascoli  
Recording Secretary

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Chairman Paula Penney

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Vice-Chair Gary Madden

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Diane Beijer

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Edward Tasker

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Priscilla Tiede