

# Meeting Summary

## Town of New Boston Selectmen's Meeting September 1, 2021

**PRESENT:** Karen Scott Selectman  
David Litwinovich Selectman  
Donna Mombourquette Selectman  
James Brace Interim Town Administrator

Energy Commission member Roger Dignard, Raleigh Bacon, Bill McFadden and Joyce Arivella of the public were present for all or part of the meeting.

**A. CALL TO ORDER:** A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by David Litwinovich at 6:00PM beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Consent Agenda-** The Selectmen reviewed the September 1, 2021 consent agenda. Donna moved to approve the September 1, 2021 consent agenda including payroll, Accounts Payable and other signed official documents. Karen seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

The Board held a moment of silence to recognize the sacrifice of thirteen Marines killed in Afghanistan after an attack August 26, 2021 at the airport in Kabul.

There was a notice of a Public Hearing for the August 16, 2021 Selectboard meeting that they did not take action for acceptance of \$617,564 funding from American Rescue Plan Act funds from the state that it received from the federal government. 50% of these funds has been received to date. Donna moved to accept 50% of the \$617,564 funding from American Rescue Plan Act funds awarded to the town of New Boston. Karen seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

### **B. PUBLIC FORUM:**

David noted the Board always welcomes public comment and feedback. There are two opportunities for public comment, one at the beginning of the meeting and then another at the end. Anyone with a comment is asked to comment as per the rules for live meetings and state your name and address for the record and that comments be respectful and thoughtful. The Board will listen, but public comment is typically not back and forth. If there is any need for extended dialogue a request to be added to the agenda and supporting documentation should be sent to the Town Administrator beforehand. Seeing none, David closed the first session of public comment.

### **C. APPOINTMENTS:**

**Item 1: Raleigh Bacon-Appointment To Open Space Committee:** Raleigh Bacon was present to meet with the Selectboard to discuss his interest in volunteering as a member of the Open

Space Committee. Karen moved to appoint Raleigh Bacon as a member of the Open Space Committee for three years. Donna seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

**Item 2: Request for Proposal For Solar Power Installation at Transfer Station-Roger Dignard:** Energy Commission member Roger Dignard was present to meet with the Selectboard to discuss a proposed RFP prepared according to the Warrant Article 16 passed by voters in June 2021. Donna moved to approve public posting of the RFP on the NHMA website and town website. Karen seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

#### **E. OLD BUSINESS:**

**Item 3: Approval of Public Minutes of July 7, 2021, July 19, 2021 and August 16, 2021 and Non-Public Minutes Of July 12, 2021 and August 16, 2021:** The Selectmen reviewed the Public minutes of July 7, 2021. Karen moved the Public minutes of July 7, 2021 be accepted as amended. Donna seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0 The Selectmen reviewed the Public minutes of July 19, 2021. Karen moved the Public minutes of July 19, 2021 be accepted as amended. Donna seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0 The Selectmen reviewed the Non-Public minutes of July 12, 2021 and August 16, 2021. Karen moved the Non-Public minutes of July 12, 2021 and August 16, 2021 be accepted as presented and sealed five years. Donna seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

**Item 4: Energy Commission Recommends Affinity Lighting Bid For LED Streetlight Conversion:** Energy Commission member Bill McFadden was present to meet with the Selectboard to discuss the recommended bid award for LED streetlight conversion according to the Warrant Article 15 passed by voters in June 2021. The Board will clarify the details and discuss at its September 20, 2021 meeting before making a decision.

**Item 5: Motion To Approve Dead River (Oil) For 2021-2022 Season:** The Board reviewed the documentation from Dead River for heating oil for the 2021-2022 season. Karen moved to approve the contract with Dead River for heating oil for the 2021-2022 season as presented. Donna seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

#### **D. NEW BUSINESS:**

**Item 6: Resignation Of Planning Board Alternate, Christin (Cahli) Carothers:** Donna moved to approve the resignation of Christin Carothers as a Planning Board Alternate. Karen seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

#### **F. OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Item 7: Update-Year-To-Date Expenditures And Revenues:** Documentation provided.

**Item 8: Town Administrators Report:** Jim presented the Town Administrator's report.

**Item 9: Selectmen's Reports:** Discussed.

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Bill McFadden of Dane Road noted the following:

- He reported on the progress of the group working to improve Broadband in New Boston.
- He made a suggestion for the gas pump repair project and asked how it will be funded.

Seeing no further Public Comment, David closed the second session of public comment.

**Item 10: Possible Request for Non-Public-Per RSA 91-A:3, II(a)(b)(c):** David moved to enter Non-Public session per RSA 91-A:3II at 7:19PM. Karen seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0 Poll Vote: David-yes, Donna-yes and Karen-yes. The Board then entered non-public session.

**Move to exit Non-Public Session:** David moved to exit Non-Public Session at 7:37PM. Karen seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0 Poll Vote: David-yes, Donna-yes and Karen-yes.

Donna moved the Non-Public minutes of September 1, 2021 be sealed five years. Karen seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

**ADJOURNMENT:** Donna moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:38PM. Karen seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

*Prepared by Maralyn Segien*

**Next Scheduled Meeting: Town Hall Conference Room September 20, 2021 (6:00 PM)  
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