TOWN OF WALPOLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE HOOPER TRUSTEES MEETING JUNE 6, 2024

Hooper Trustees Present: Cheryl Mayberry, Chair, Steven Dalessio and Carolyn Vose

Staff Present: Sarah Downing, Manager of Administration, and Sue Bauer, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. Mayberry called this Hooper Trustees meeting to order in the Walpole Town Hall at 7:40 PM.

HOOPER TRUSTEES MINUTES

Hooper Trustees Meeting – May 23, 2024: Ms. Vose moved to approve the Minutes of the Hooper Trustees meeting of May 23, 2024. Seconded by Mr. Dalessio. With Ms. Vose and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved. Ms. Mayberry abstained because she was not at the meeting on May 23rd.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Four Lite Design Build – Design Services Agreement: Four Lite Design Build has been chosen for architectural design and related services for the Hooper Institute building. Mr. Dalessio moved that Ms. Mayberry, the Chair of the Hooper Trustees, sign the contract with Four Lite Design Build for the work on Hooper Institute. Seconded by Ms. Vose. With Mr. Dalessio, Ms. Vose and Ms. Mayberry in agreement, the motion passed, and the contract was signed.

Energy Audit Summary: Andrew Dey prepared a summary of the energy audit done by Maragaret Dillon. Mr. Dalessio predicted that the actual costs will be about 25% more than the audit report suggests.

From the Meeting on June 5, 2024: Mr. Dalessio gave a recap of the June 5, 2024 Hooper Board Meeting. Rob Westover wanted to build bike trails in the Hooper Forest. Some new bike trails have already been built without permission. Helen Dalbeck drafted a letter to Mr. Westover stating that there would be no wheeled vehicles in the Hooper Forest, including on existing trails. Mrs. Dalbeck feels that the forest needs to heal after the extensive logging operation. It was recommended she ask Alex Barrett, the Town Forester, for his opinion. Mrs. Dalbeck walked the Hooper Forest with Mr. Westover. Bike trails are only usable for about three years, and then new trails are needed. Mr. Westover sent David Northcott to Mrs. Dalbeck to ask to build trails in the Hooper Forest for his Eagle Scout project. Mrs. Dalbeck would like to have Mr. Northcott build a kiosk at the Community Garden, as an alternate project to the trail work.

ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Vose moved to adjourn this Hooper Trustees meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Bauer, Recording Secretary

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(Note: These are unapproved Minutes. Corrections will be found in the Minutes of the next Hooper Trustees meeting.)