

TOWN OF WALPOLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD
JULY 3, 2024

SELECTBOARD PRESENT: Cheryl Mayberry, Chair, and Steven Dalessio. Carolyn Vose was not present.
STAFF PRESENT: Sarah Downing, Manager of Administration, and Sue Bauer, Recording Secretary
GUESTS PRESENT: Paul Looney and Peggy Pschirrer

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. Mayberry called the Selectboard meeting to order at 6:30 PM in the Walpole Town Hall.

This item was moved to the beginning of the meeting because guests were waiting to speak to it.

Knollwood Energy – Renewable Energy Credit Sale and Purchase Agreement: Paul Looney and Peggy Pschirrer attended to provide background information. Mr. Looney explained Recycling Center’s solar system produces more electricity than is used. The system records the energy produced. CPCNH not yet ready to buy renewable energy credits at this time but may be in a year. Knollwood is a renewable energy credit broker. Once the Town signs a contract with them, Knollwood will set up and register the Town. A year from now, the Town will have more flexibility in selling credit. The registration is also needed to obtain the \$6,000 federal credit that was part of the warrant article. Knollwood offers two contract options: a fixed price three-year contract or a contract that automatically renews each year, but that can be cancelled with 90 days’ notice. Mr. Dalessio asked for an annual renewal. Mr. Looney stated that renewable energy credits are sold quarterly. Mr. Dalessio noted that per the contract, Knollwood will pay the Town when the customer pays them. There was a consensus by the Selectboard to request ACH payment when the credits are sold. This item was then tabled until next week to allow Mr. Looney and Mrs. Pschirrer to research whether the contract could be changed.

Peggy Pschirrer and Paul Looney left the meeting at 7:01 PM.

PAYROLL

Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the Payroll Register totaling \$37,177.24 dated 7/5/2024 and the 941 Payroll Tax Transfer of \$7,715.74. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio, and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

Selectboard Meeting – June 27, 2024: Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the Minutes of the Selectboard meeting of June 27, 2024. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

Non-Public Selectboard Session – June 27, 2024: Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the Minutes of the Non-Public Selectboard session of June 27, 2024. The minutes will remain sealed. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved, and the minutes are sealed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Dalessio brought to the chair's attention the following committee reports:

- Hooper Institute Board Meeting – December 6, 2023
- Walpole Pre-K – 8 Withdrawal Study Committee Meeting – June 26, 2024

Ms. Mayberry acknowledged these minutes.

PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT

Map and Lot 008-008-001: The Avitar assessor visited the new home and applied data corrections. The home has one bedroom, one bathroom and a crawl space underneath. Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the Property Tax Abatement in the amount of \$3,626.00 for Map and Lot # 008-008-001. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

SUPPLEMENTAL TAX WARRANT

Map and Lot # 008-008-001: This is related to the above abatement. Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the Supplemental Tax Warrant in the amount of \$2,892.00 for Map and Lot # 008-008-001. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio, and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

BUILDING PERMIT

2024-24, Map and Lot# 008-077-001: Mr. Dalessio moved to approve Building Permit #2024-24 for Map and Lot # 008-077-001 to construct a 36' x 24' two story horse barn. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

2024-22, Map and Lot# 011-027-000: There was a discussion of follow-up questions on the number of bedrooms and the septic requirements from the previous meetings. Mr. Dalessio moved to approve Building Permit #2024-22 for Map and Lot # 011-027-000 to construct an office addition. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

Map and Lot# 022-014-000: A front porch is being installed at 105 North Road with no building permit. The owner will get a \$500 fine for building without a permit and without a ZBA variance.

OLD BUSINESS

Pending Further Action: Parking Policy, Generators, Old North Main and High Street Bridges/Culverts, Houghton Brook Bridge, and Reservoir Dam

Mr. Dalessio reported that the Town has requested that Fuss & O'Neill provide an update on all the projects pending further action.

FMRSD Response re: LEAP charges to Walpole: The amount due for the last three years is \$1,751.29. Mr. Dalessio moved that Sarah Downing send FMRSD a letter thanking them for the information provided. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Open Container Request: Watkins Inn and Tavern is hosting an outdoor wedding on October 12, 2024. Mr. Dalessio moved to approve the request for open container to end at 10:00 PM. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

West Side of Town Hall Siding Project: There are structural questions related to the bulge that has been uncovered. Can a structural expert be contacted for advice? There was a consensus that the Town needs to contact a qualified person such as Annette Dey, who is a structural engineer.

New North Walpole Water User Rates: This is for informational purposes only. Note: the rate increase is to cover the cost of the upgraded system.

HOOPER TRUSTEES

Ms. Mayberry moved to enter into the Hooper Trustees meeting at 7:31 PM. Mr. Dalessio seconded. With Ms. Mayberry and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.

The meeting was reconvened at 7:33 PM.

NON-PUBLIC BUSINESS RSA 91-A:3 II (b) (c)

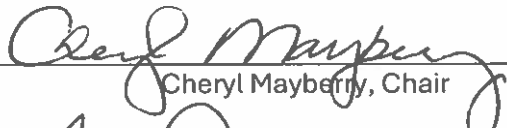
Ms. Mayberry moved to enter into Non-Public Session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (b) (c) at 7:33 PM. Mr. Dalessio seconded. With Ms. Mayberry and Mr. Dalessio in favor, the motion was approved.


The meeting was reconvened at 7:38 PM.

Mr. Dalessio moved that the Non-Public Session Minutes be sealed. Seconded by Ms. Mayberry. With Mr. Dalessio and Ms. Mayberry in favor, the motion was approved.

ADJOURNMENT: Ms. Mayberry declared the meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Bauer, Recording Secretary


Cheryl Mayberry, Chair


Steven Dalessio

Carolyn Vose

(Note: These are unapproved Minutes. Corrections will be found in the Minutes of the July 11, 2024 Selectboard meeting.)

