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**TOWN OF ASHLAND  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING  
MONDAY, JUNE 19TH 2023, 5:30PM  
UTILITY CONFERENCE ROOM  
6 COLLINS STREET**

7 **I. CALL TO ORDER** – Chairman Letourneau called the meeting to order with the  
8 Pledge of Allegiance. Selectmen Andy Fitch, Ann Barney, Rebecca Hartley, and  
9 Charles Bozzello were in attendance.

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11 **MOTION:** Andy Fitch  
12 *To approve the Minutes of June 5<sup>th</sup> as written*  
13 **SECOND:** Rebecca Hartley  
14 **VOTE:** 5-0  
15 **MOTION PASSED**

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17 **II. NEW BUSINESS**

18 **a. REQUEST OF ASHLAND COMMUNITY CHURCH TO USE BEACH**  
19 **FOR BAPTISMS ON SUNDAY JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup> FROM 12:30PM TO 12:50PM -**  
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21 **MOTION:** Charles Bozzello  
22 *To approve the use of the beach for Ashland Community Church baptisms on June*  
23 *25<sup>th</sup> from 12:30pm to 12:50pm*  
24 **SECOND:** Rebecca Hartley  
25 **VOTE:** 4-0-1  
26 **MOTION PASSED**

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28 **b. APPROVAL OF MOA FOR FIREWORKS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY**  
29 **THROUGH JULY 6, 2028 -**  
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31 **MOTION:** Andy Fitch  
32 *To approve the MOA as written*  
33 **SECOND:** Charles Bozzello  
34 **VOTE:** 5-0  
35 **MOTION PASSED**

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37 **c. APPROVAL OF SHORT TERM LEASE TO ERECT STRUCTURE AT**  
38 **TOWN CAMPGROUND** – The Board discussed the proposed lease for  
39 structures on the Town campground which includes terms under which the site  
40 holder must get a bond. Site 3 tried to get a bond but was unsuccessful. The Board  
41 decided to table the discussion until such time the Board has plans to deal with  
42 potential abandonment of structures. Town Manager Fred Welch will talk with  
43 Town council to find a solution.  
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 48           **COLLECTORS ON OLD LANDFILL** – Town Manager Fred Welch received a  
 49           letter from Kearsarge Energy that talked about them wanting to build on our  
 50           landfill. The Board discussed that Solar Panels will be hazardous waste in 20  
 51           years and that there were no details about if the Town would receive low-cost  
 52           power or wheeling charges. Selectmen Bozzello would like to know more to see if  
 53           this would benefit the Town.

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55           **III. OLD BUSINESS – None**

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57           **IV. SELECTMEN'S ITMES**

- 58           a. Selectmen Hartley thanked Vice Chairman Andy Fitch for his work on getting the old  
 59           Town Reports on the website.  
 60           b. Selectmen Fitch talked with the Board about the Land Use computer and that it is old and  
 61           no longer functional. There was no money allocated in the Land Use budget for a  
 62           replacement of the computer. Selectmen Fitch said he would come up with figures for  
 63           how much a replacement would be. Mr. Welch said he would look into the contingency  
 64           fund.  
 65           c. Chairman Letourneau discussed with the Board that he had talked with Public Works  
 66           Director Craig Moore about finding a used compactor for the dump as the 2 compactors  
 67           they have are on their last legs. Mr. Moore asked if he should budget for one in next years  
 68           budget, he cited a new one would be about \$30,000 where as a used one is about \$4,000.  
 69           d. Mr. Welch asked that the Board approve the request to the Trustees of the Trust funds for  
 70           payment for the ambulance.

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72           **MOTION:** Robert Letourneau73           *To approve the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund Request of \$151,838*74           **SECOND:** Andy Fitch75           **VOTE:** 5-076           **MOTION PASSED**

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- 78           e. Mr. Welch asked that the Board sign the voluntary merger paperwork to combine the  
 79           deeds on North Ashland Road. Chairman Letourneau signed the paperwork.  
 80           f. A request for abatement was presented to the Board for a bill that was processed in error  
 81           for \$6.99.

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83           **MOTION:** Robert Letourneau84           *To approve the abatement for \$6.99 for account 7207*85           **SECOND:** Andy Fitch86           **VOTE:** 5-087           **MOTION PASSED**

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- 89           g. The Board was presented with an intent to cut for two lots.  
 90           h. Police Chief Ulwick talked with the Board about a grant that would allow for additional  
 91           patrols for speed and DWI checks. The patrols would be paid at time and 1/2 and would

92 be reimbursed by the State. The State will also provide some money for use of the cruiser  
93 as well. This grant would be for 2024.

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95 **MOTION:** Andy Fitch

96 *To approve the application for the Police Grant for the year 2024*

97 **SECOND:** Ann Barney

98 **VOTE:** 5-0

99 **MOTION PASSED**

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101 i. The Board was presented with the Dog Warrant which allows the Police to collect the  
102 dog fees.

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104 **MOTION:** Robert Letourneau

105 *To approve the Dog Warrant as written*

106 **SECOND:** Andy Fitch

107 **VOTE:** 5-0

108 **MOTION PASSED**

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110 j. A notice was provided to the Board from the Tax Collector that the Town will be taking  
111 over the land of the Gordon King Estate and the owner has been notified.

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113 **MOTION:** Robert Letourneau

114 *To enter into a non-public session pursuant to 91-A:3 (a, c, & d) at 6:44pm*

115 **SECOND:** Rebecca Hartley

116 **VOTE:** 5-0

117 **MOTION PASSED**

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119 **MOTION:** Andy Fitch

120 *To seal the minutes of the non-public session*

121 **SECOND:** Charles Bozzello

122 **VOTE:** 5-0

123 **MOTION PASSED**

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125 **MOTION:** Rebecca Hartley

126 *To adjourn the meeting at 7:47 pm*

127 **SECOND:** Ann Barney

128 **VOTE:** 5-0

129 **MOTION PASSED**