

1
2
3
4
5
6
**TOWN OF ASHLAND
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2024
UTILITY CONFERENCE ROOM
6 COLLINS STREET, ASHLAND**

7
8
9
10
I. CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Fitch opened the meeting with Selectmen Meghan Semiao, and Chris Janosa were present. Ann Barney and Charles Bozzello were absent with notice.

11
12
II. NEW BUSINESS

13
14
a. TAX WARRANT –

15
16
17
18
19
20
MOTION: Andy Fitch
To approve the tax warrant for \$3,813,321.36
SECOND: Meghan Semiao
VOTE: 3-0
MOTION PASSED

21
22
b. YIELD TAX WARRANT –

23
24
25
26
27
28
MOTION: Andy Fitch
To approve yield tax warrant for \$1,569.57
SECOND: Chris Janosa
VOTE: 3-0
MOTION PASSED

29
30
31
32
33
34
35
c. DOG WARRANT – Town Clerk/Tax Collector Becky Hartley presented the Board with the Dog Warrant which has 121 unregistered dogs on it. Selectman Janosa stated that he was not in favor of signing the Dog Warrant. Although Mrs. Hartley stated that it is a statutory requirement of the Board, there were only 3 Selectmen present and a majority of the Board would be needed for the Dog Warrant to be signed.

36
37
38
d. CURRENT USE APPLICATION – Mrs. Harley presented the Board with a current use application for an adjustment of a boundary line.

39
40
41
42
43
44
MOTION: Chris Janosa
To approve current use application for Brian Moriarty
SECOND: Meghan Semiao
VOTE: 3-0
MOTION PASSED

45
46
e. WATER & SEWER THOMPSON STREET SEWER PROJECT FOR BOARD APPROVAL – Water & Sewer Superintendent Andrew Benton

47 presented the Board with an opportunity that would save a sum of money on the
48 upcoming project on Thompson Street and Winona Road. The project would be to
49 replace a portion of the water main on Thompson Street in the near future which
50 would be in conjunction with an ongoing project that is being done by ME
51 Latulippe Construction. The Water & Sewer Department would need to purchase
52 the materials but ME Latulippe Construction would do the installation of the
53 materials which would in turn save upwards of \$300,000 off the total project for
54 Thompson Street. Finance Director Marissah Gallien suggested using the ARPA
55 funds that the Board recently committed to the water main replacement project.

56
57 **MOTION:** Andy Fitch

58 *To accept the proposed Thompson Street and Granite Ridge Development*
59 *collaboration*

60 **SECOND:** Chris Janosa

61 **DISCUSSION:** *Ms. Gallien asked if the ARPA funds will be committed for use with*
62 *this project, Chair Fitch stated yes.*

63 **VOTE:** 3-0

64 **MOTION PASSED**

65
66 **f. BUILDING PERMIT APPROVAL FOR CAMPSITE #7** – Site #7 in the
67 Campground asked for the Boards approval to install a roof over their existing
68 deck.

69
70 **MOTION:** Meghan Semiao

71 *To approve the building permit for Site #7's awning.*

72 **SECOND:** Andy Fitch

73 **VOTE:** 3-0

74 **MOTION PASSED**

75
76 **g. APPLICATION FOR ALTERNATE MEMBER ON THE PLANNING**
77 **BOARD -**

78
79 **MOTION:** Andy Fitch

80 *To approve Linda Barnes to the alternate member of the Planning Board for a term*
81 *of 3-years*

82 **SECOND:** Chris Janosa

83 **VOTE:** 3-0

84 **MOTION PASSED**

85
86 **h. APPROVAL OF AMBULANCE CONTRACT WITH PLYMOUTH -**

87
88 **MOTION:** Meghan Semiao

89 *To accept the ambulance contract with the Town of Plymouth for 2024-2025*

90 **SECOND:** Chris Janosa

91 **VOTE:** 3-0

92 **MOTION PASSED**

93
94 **i. POLE ATTACHMENT AGREEMENT** – Selectman Semiao discussed that
95 there will be a public hearing soon for the franchise agreement. The
96 agreement will give notice that their lines need to be moved off the old poles
97 and onto the new ones. Currently the agreement is with the Town’s insurance
98 carrier for review of the indemnity agreement.
99

100 **III. OLD BUSINESS – None**

101
102 **IV. SELECTMENS ITEMS –**

103 a. Chair Fitch brought a request to the Board from Kathleen Dewolfe who would
104 like to continue serving on the Local River Management Advisory Committee as
105 her term is up.

106
107 **MOTION:** Andy Fitch
108 *To re-appoint Kathleen Dewolfe to the Local River Management Advisory Committee*

109 **SECOND:** Meghan Semiao

110 **VOTE:** 3-0

111 **MOTION PASSED**

112
113 b. Chair Fitch discussed with the Board that the Veteran’s Memorial will be cleaned,
114 it will cost roughly \$550, and that Town Manager Fred Welch will get it taken
115 care of.

116
117 **MOTION:** Meghan Semiao
118 *To adjourn the meeting at 5:52pm*

119 **SECOND:** Andy Fitch

120 **VOTE:** 3-0

121 **MOTION PASSED**