

TOWN OF SEABROOK

SELECTMEN'S BUDGET MEETING

MARCH 4, 2024

Theresa A. Kyle
Harold F. Eaton
Srinivasa "Ravi" Ravikumar
William M. Manzi, III

Mrs. Kyle opened the meeting at 9:33AM.

Mrs. Kyle thanked the DPW department and employees for a job well done at the beach.

MONTHLY MEETING - POLICE CHIEF

Chief Brett Walker was present for his report (see attached).

There was discussion on drug overdoses and the numbers, which could include multiple numbers for one person.

Mr. Eaton said he is very interested in seeing interaction with the youth. The Chief said the SRO is at the school and is the primary reason behind the SRO to interact with the youth.

BUSINESS LICENSE - WRAP CITY

Earl Hawkes, owner of Wrap City and said things are going really well and gave a brief overview of the business.

MOTION: Ravi To approve and sign the
Second: Harold F. Eaton business license.
Unanimous

MEETING - GUN RANGE COMMITTEE

Don Felch was present for the meeting (see attached). He explained the formation of the gun range committee with help from the town manager and members who volunteered their time. Mr. Felch said from here they established a board of directors in order to have a non-profit organization. The goal of the board of directors is to oversee a gun range club. Next step is to get a contract together and approval by the Board of Selectmen.

There was discussion on the concerns of Kensington where part of the range is in Kensington. Mr. Manzi said the town can operate the gun range even if the town of Kensington disagrees.

Mr. Felch said the state has come in and tested the water and there is no contamination to the water. He talked about the bullet traps that will protect the water source. There is one that they could build themselves with maybe some help from DPW.

Curtis Slayton spoke and said he went on the committee to protect the water source. The bullet traps would do this and not add to what is already there. The sand used would be filtered and lead would be removed.

Mr. Felch said they brought Jason Janvrin on who will be certified as a range safety officer and will train others who would like to be a range safety officer. When the range is open there will be a range safety officer onsite. There still working out the cost for the membership. Mr. Felch would like to keep it for Seabrook residents however, if there is not enough interest, they may need to consider inviting others.

There was discussion on the fencing they are looking at. Mr. Felch said the range safety officers would walk the perimeter of the range. This will allow them to see if there are any issues with the fencing or signage.

MOTION: Ravi To move the approval of
Second: Theresa A. Kyle the lease agreement for
Unanimous \$1 per year with the
Seabrook Sporting
Association.

DISCUSSION - ANDOVER STREET WALKWAY

John Starkey was present for this discussion. The board thanked the conservation commission for the donation of \$10K for this effort. Mr. Starkey discussed the options they have come up with to repair and realign the Andover Street boardwalk (see attached).

Mr. Eaton asked if the board agreed to the additional 150 feet to complete this boardwalk does the permit allow for this work to be done. Mr. Manzi said he would need Henry Boyd to consult on this as he is overseeing this work.

Ravi asked if this walkway would be built on the existing walkway. Mr. Starkey said he hadn't thought about that and would like some time to think about it. Mr. Eaton prefers the 5-foot-wide boardwalk so that if 2 people were passing one would not have to step off the boardwalk.

UNH has tentatively offered the plants and also help in planting them. Once the square footage is finalized, they will have a firm agreement with UNH.

MOTION: Ravi To approve option #4
from John Starkey's

memo of recommendations.

Mr. Manzi said he would come back to the board with the final numbers so they can motion for the AARPA funds.

Second: Harold F. Eaton

Unanimous

AQUARION - APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT

This would be for water during the construction of the bridge project in Hampton. This would be the Sun Valley area in Hampton.

Ravi would like a better definition of what is the beginning of the project and what is the end of the project. Mr. Manzi said the bridge project itself may be complete however, the Sun Valley area may have their lines before this completion. Curtis Slayton said once the new main is put into service the marker could be so many days after this.

Ravi asked if the payment schedule would be quarterly like all other water consumers. Curtis Slayton said they would be paying the new residential rate and would be done on a monthly schedule.

Ravi read 7. (a) and is concerned that the Town of Seabrook is not going to make any infrastructure improvements merely to satisfy Sun Valley residents. Mr. Manzi said they would not make changes it only means that Seabrook has to comply with state and federal guidelines for safe drinking water act. Curtis Slayton confirmed we do not need to make any changes to our system to provide this service.

There is 1 fire hydrant in the Sun Valley area. Carl McMorn spoke and said they are not looking to see any additional fire support from Seabrook during this time. Ravi said there are different fees for fire hydrants. Mr. Manzi said that is not outlined in the contract.

Mr. Manzi said this is a standalone agreement however, they do need sewer service. There is a draft between Seabrook and Hampton for sewer service. Hampton has the draft and has not submitted comments back to date. This agreement is not contingent on reaching an agreement for sewer with Hampton.

MOTION: Ravi

Second: Harold F. Eaton

Unanimous

To approve and sign the agreement with Aquarion during bridge project.

PREVIOUS MINUTES - FEBRUARY 5 PUBLIC AND FEBRUARY 22 PUBLIC

MOTION: Ravi To adopt the minutes of
 Second: Harold F. Eaton 2/5 public & 2/22
 Unanimous public.

ABATEMENTS

Virginia Porter - 102 Whippoorwill Street - \$148.97
 Scott Tardie - 178 Orchard Street
 Laplant Lori Revoc Realty Trust of 2010 - 128 Franklin Street

MOTION: Ravi To approve and sign the
 Second: Harold F. Eaton abatement for 102
 Unanimous Whippoorwill Street.

MOTION: Ravi To approve and sign the
 Second: Harold F. Eaton abatement for 128
 Unanimous Franklin Street.

MOTION: Ravi To approve and sign the
 Second: Harold F. Eaton abatement for 178
 Unanimous Orchard Street.

2023 PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT REFUND

NextEra Energy - \$14,409

Mr. Manzi explained the secondary agreement that goes with the main agreement. Michele Knowles said this is for the 7 smaller parcels with NextEra.

MOTION: Ravi To approve and sign the
 Second: Harold F. Eaton tax refund.
 Unanimous

3 ELDERLY EXEMPTIONS

MOTION: Ravi To approve and sign all
 Second: Harold F. Eaton elderly exemptions.
 Unanimous

2 DISABILITY EXEMPTIONS

MOTION: Ravi To approve and sign both
 Second: Harold F. Eaton disability exemptions.
 Unanimous

VETERAN EXEMPTION

John Skinner - 45 Bruce Road

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Ravi | To approve and sign the |
| Second: Harold F. Eaton | veteran exemptions. |
| Unanimous | |

HDRANT FLOW TEST - 25 LONDON LANE

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Ravi | To approve and sign the |
| Second: Harold F. Eaton | hydrant flow test. |
| Unanimous | |

WATER SERVICE APPLICATIONS

North Coast Curb LLC. - 85 Ledge Road (12 Applications)
 M.G. Construction - 21 Ayer Circle
 Marla Maryea - 115 Centennial Street
 Steve Lago - 20 Adder Lane
 Tambo Development LLC. - 32 London Lane

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Ravi | To approve and sign all |
| Second: Harold F. Eaton | 12 water applications |
| Unanimous | 85 Ledge Road. |

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Ravi | To approve and sign all |
| Second: Harold F. Eaton | other water applications |
| Unanimous | |

SEWER SERVICE APPLICATIONS

North Coast Curb LLC. - 85 Ledge Road (12 Applications)
 M.G. Construction - 21 Ayer Circle
 Marla Maryea - 115 Centennial Street
 Tambo Development LLC. - 32 London Lane

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Ravi | To approve and sign all |
| Second: Harold F. Eaton | 12 sewer applications |
| Unanimous Unanimous | 85 Ledge Road. |

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Ravi | To approve and sign all |
| Second: Harold F. Eaton | other sewer applications |
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QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

William Walsh spoke about Amesbury Street. The right-of-way to access the beach is accessible up to the dune but going forward to the beach line it is very narrow and not as easily accessible. He understands the budget constraints and DPW does

a great job but would like some relief for the elderly and handicapped trying to go to the beach.

Charles Wilkins from Sandpiper Avenue spoke and asked for some information from the DPW on the boardwalks. John Starkey spoke to the warrant articles that have been placed on the ballot and have not been approved at town meeting.

Charles Wilkins asked if there were any restrictions from him doing some of the work such as digging out the walkways. It was stated there are rules by NH DES they have to follow. There was a discussion on volunteers doing work that is allowed on some of the walkways. He was referred to Bill Howley to discuss the volunteer options.

William Walsh would just like to see the boardwalk widened a little so they can get access to the beach.

Emily Savinelli asked about the business license and if it had been signed. She asked what the process is for licenses that come in to the board. The board explained the process to get the licenses signed and said they would look at the process and get it done earlier.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Harold F. Eaton | To go into non-public |
| Second: Theresa A. Kyle | session under RSA 91-A:3 |
| Unanimous | II (c) welfare lien. |

Roll call:
Mrs. Kyle - yes
Mr. Eaton - yes
Ravi - yes

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Theresa A. Kyle | To adjourn the meeting |
| Second: Harold F. Eaton | at 11:40AM. |
| Unanimous | |

Minutes taken by Kelly J. O'Connor.

Approved and endorsed:

Srinivasan Ravikumar,
Clerk

Date: _____