

## **TOWN OF RYE SELECT BOARD**

**Monday, November 1, 2021**

**3:00 p.m.**

**Rye Town Hall**

*Select Board Present: Chair Bill Epperson, Vice-Chair Phil Winslow and Selectman Tom King*

*Others Present: Town Administrator Becky Bergeron*

### **3:00 p.m.**

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Epperson called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m.

#### **II. NON-PUBLIC SESSION (1) per RSA 91-A:3, II (d) Hiring**

**At 10:00 a.m., Bill Epperson made a motion to go into Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3 II (d) Hiring. Seconded by Phil Winslow. Roll Call: Winslow – Yes, Epperson – Yes, King - Yes.**

**At 3:45 p.m., Bill Epperson made a motion to come out of Non-Public Session. Seconded by Tom King. Roll Call: Winslow – Yes, Epperson – Yes, King - Yes.**

### **3:30 p.m. RECONVENE PUBLIC MEETING**

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Epperson reconvened the public meeting at 3:45 p.m.

#### **II. APPOINTMENT OF TOWN LEGAL COUNSEL**

The Select Board announced the award of legal services for the Town of Rye to Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella, PLLC of Exeter N.H. DTC has an excellent background and is adept at providing services for the Town. The firm represents a number of other towns throughout N.H.; including, Lee, Newmarket, Raymond, Seabrook and Hanover, to name but a few. A lead attorney will be assigned to work with Rye, so the Town will be able to primarily work with one person. The firm's attorneys have expertise in land management, planning, telecommunications and hiring.

The Select Board noted that there were two very strong candidates for legal services and it was a tough decision to make. In the interview with DTC, they seemed confident in handling the needs

of the Town and were enthusiast with the opportunity to work with Rye. The Select Board feels the decision to choose DTC is a good fit and in the best interest for the Town of Rye.

**Motion by Phil Winslow to hire Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella, PLLC of Exeter, N.H. as the town attorney for the Town of Rye. Seconded by Bill Epperson. All in favor.**

### **III. OTHER BUSINESS**

The Select Board discussed items to be added to the agenda for their next work session, which is scheduled for November 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. It was agreed to invite Recordsforce, Inc. to give a presentation on what they offer for document management. Town department heads will be invited to attend the meeting to hear the presentation.

It was noted that the Select Board's all day budget meeting is being held on Thursday, November 4<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:30 a.m. The Budget Committee will be meeting on November 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.

### **ADJOURNMNENT**

**Motion by Phil Winslow to adjourn at 3:54 p.m. Seconded by Tom King. All in favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dyana F. Ledger