# TOWN OF RYE - SELECT BOARD MEETING

Monday, April 10, 2023 – 6:00 p.m. Rye Town Hall

Selectmen Present: Chair Tom King, Vice-Chair Bill Epperson, and Bob McGrath

Others Present on behalf of the Town: Town Administrator Matt Scruton and Asst. Town Administrator/Finance Director Becky Bergeron (via Zoom)

# 5:30 p.m.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair King called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

II. NON-PUBLIC SESSION (1) per RSA 91-A:3, II (a) Personnel (2) per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) Reputation

At 6:01 p.m., Tom King made a motion to go into Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3 II (a) Personnel. Seconded by Bob McGrath. Roll Call: Epperson – Yes, McGrath – Yes, King – Yes.

At 6:11 p.m., Tom King made a motion to come out of Non-Public Session. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Roll Call: Epperson – Yes, McGrath – Yes, King – Yes.

Motion by Tom King to seal the minutes of the non-public session that just concluded. Seconded by Bill Epperson. All in favor.

At 6:12 p.m., Tom King made a motion to go into Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3 II (c) Reputation. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Roll Call: Epperson – Yes, McGrath – Yes, King – Yes.

At 6:28 p.m., Tom King made a motion to come out of Non-Public Session. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Roll Call: Epperson – Yes, McGrath – Yes, King – Yes.

Motion by Tom King to seal the minutes of the non-public session that just concluded. Seconded by Bill Epperson. All in favor.

#### 6:30 p.m. RECONVENE PUBLIC MEETING

#### III. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair King called the public meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

# IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Selectman McGrath commented that he and his wife joined the Rye Beach Committee and the Blue Ocean Society on Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> for the beach cleanup at Pirates Cove as part of the Rye400 Celebration. There was an outstanding crowd of about 35 participants. Selectman McGrath also commented that Andy Stecher and his team are doing an outstanding job with the Rye400 Event. Being a person with a visual art background, he thought the Town had paid a lot of money for the design of the Rye400 logo. He has recently learned that Andy Stecher, along with a couple of other talented people, designed the logo at no charge. Everything the Rye400 Committee is doing is such high quality. To show thanks, he encourages as many people as possible to participate in the events. He would like to champion that cause and say thank you to the Rye400 Committee.

Vice-Chair Epperson pointed out that the Beach Committee was key in scheduling the beach cleanups as well. He agrees it was a good effort.

- **V. PUBLIC COMMENT** (at the beginning of the meeting, for any comment by any Rye resident on any topic. Requested time limit, up to 5 minutes each person.)
  - Officer Charles Graham announced that the Rye Police Department would like to create more unity between the officers and the Town. The officers have created a challenge coin representing unity, friendship, and fellowship. He and Deputy Chief Scott Blaisdell presented the Selectmen with a coin for their continued support of the Rye Police Department.
  - **Hugh Lee** spoke to the Select Board about his background and interest in serving on the Library Board of Trustees. He has spent four years working with the Library's advisory committee and expansion committee. He also supports the Friends of Rye Public Library and has done so for many years. Mr. Lee welcomes the opportunity to serve on the Board of Trustees and seeks the Select Board's support.
  - **Joe Cummins, 990 Washington Road,** spoke about the posting of the library trustee meetings to meet the right-to-know requirements.
  - Michael Moody, 963 Ocean Blvd., Library Trustee, introduced Rachel McCann the Rye Library Board of Trustee's recommended candidate to fill the vacancy on the board. He noted that the Trustees went through the appropriate process to fill the vacancy. A notice was posted and there were five interested parties who came forward. The Trustees spoke with all five interested candidates. Each candidate had strengths that they could bring to the Library. It was a unanimous choice of the Library Trustees to recommend Ms. McCann and they ask for the Select Board's support.

- **JoAnn Hodgdon, Cable Road, Library Trustee,** asked for the Library discussion to be moved up on the agenda.
  - The Select Board agreed to move Discussion Item C (as shown in meeting minutes).
- Steven Borne, 431 Wallis Road, spoke to the Select Board about getting a second opinion about the remediation of the Grove Road Landfill, which was brought up at the last meeting. He thinks bringing in someone who does not have an association or a past history would be a prudent thing to do, as the equation of whether remediation makes sense or not has changed over the years. Mr. Borne also spoke about getting federal funds to address the contamination of Parsons Creek Watershed and the Grove Road Landfill, which are things that impact the whole town.
- **JoAnn Hodgdon** noted that the open library trustee position was posted on the Rye Civic League, the Library's website, and the Town's website with a deadline that was established for interviews. There was ample opportunity for anyone to run for election and all were given an equal opportunity.
  - ➤ Appointment of Board of Library Trustee (Discussion Item C)

Michael Moody, Library Trustee, noted that the Board of Trustees went through a process. There were a surprising number of candidates that came forward. The Trustees had a robust conversation with each candidate. It was a unanimous decision to recommend Rachel McCann for the position. She brings a great set of qualifications and has been involved with the Library in different capacities. She's a long-time resident of the Town. The Trustees feel Ms. McCann brings some skills that will be needed in the coming years. She will be a great addition to the team.

Selectman McGrath commented that he would like to make clear this was an elected position originally. The history is that Dania signed up, the ballot was closed and the ballot was printed; however, she then decided to withdraw but her name remained on the ballot. At that time, Dania's decision was made public and others were welcomed who showed interest as a write-in candidacy. Because she could not take on the elected position, it is now an appointed position by the Select Board. This position is only until next year's election. The position is originally a three-year term. At next year's election, the position will be a two-year term that anyone can run for.

Selectman McGrath stated there are five applicants and each one had write-in votes on election day. Two of them had one write-in vote each. The applicant being recommended by the Trustees had three write-in votes. There was another applicant, Michelle Tyminski, who had one hundred and nineteen votes. Hugh Lee had one hundred and thirty-one votes. Two hundred and fifty voters wrote in two different names. He feels that those would be the only two people that he would consider because he would not want to disenfranchise the Rye voters.

Vice-Chair Epperson noted that in his thirty years in business with hiring and recruiting, he had people he relied on to recruit, interview and make recommendations. Unless there was some overarching reason why this person should not be hired, he would leave it to that committee. He continued that in looking at the resumes, there are unique qualities in every one of the candidates and they would all bring something to the Library Trustee. However, he also trusts the Trustees to make a recommendation to the Select Board on the person who they see as most qualified and most favorable to work with.

Selectman McGrath pointed out this is not a business. This is a town and fair should count.

Chair King stated there are five people who are qualified to do this job. He tends to agree that the tradition has been to not get involved on the board or commission level. The Select Board trusts the Board to be the subject matter experts and the people that have been "hired" for those committees, commissions, and boards. He thinks they need to be given a certain amount of leeway to do what they've been asked to do. In this case, it's to give the Select Board a recommendation.

Selectman McGrath stated that inclusion is very important. On boards, or any team, to have disagreeing points of views usually lends itself to a better solution in the end.

Vice-Chair Epperson commented that they have heard a lot over the last six weeks about appointments and such. He knows that Selectman McGrath is philosophically opposed to the system in place. Clearly, it needs to be discussed and whatever is thought to be the problem needs to be fixed. However, the Select Board needs to stay the course and move forward with the nominations. In a couple of weeks, the Select Board can look at the policy and fix it, if needed.

Chair King explained that the Town has jobs that need to be done by volunteers. The Town is very grateful for those volunteers doing those jobs. However, there are jobs that have to get done. The fact that someone wants to be on a board is very nice, but it doesn't mean they are going to get there. In this case, there are four qualified people who could do the job. He noted that whether it's for hiring employees for town departments or for the boards, the Select Board is not on the hiring panel doing the interviews. The Select Board takes the recommendations, unless there is a reason to overrule it. That is the philosophy the Board works with.

**Frances Erlebacher, Brackett Road,** stated that her husband Denis Lipman was never contacted, so that is why he didn't respond. The procedure really upset her.

**JoAnn Hodgdon** commented that the Trustees invited Mr. Lipman in for an interview and waited for him. They had a perfectly fine interview with Mr. Lipman.

**Joe Marttila, 96 Alehson Street,** stated that it sounds like there's a lot of back and forth between the Trustees and the folks who were running for this position. He asked the Select Board if they feel they have enough information to make a decision at this meeting.

Vice-Chair Epperson confirmed. The Trustees have given the Select Board a recommendation. The Select Board has looked at the resumes and the recommendation.

# Motion by Bill Epperson to appoint Rachel McCann to the open position for library trustee. Seconded by Tom King. Vote: 2-1 Opposed: Bob McGrath

Rachel McCann thanked the Select Board for the opportunity. She hopes to serve the Town and library well.

The Select Board thanked Ms. McCann for serving.

VI. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS** – (to be discussed at the meeting only if pulled off the consent agenda by one of the three Selectmen.)

Note: All consent agenda items were pulled for discussion.

**A.** Email rec'd from Karin Cullity Nelson re: her resignation from the Heritage Commission

The Select Board thanked Karin for her service on the Heritage Commission and asked that a letter of thanks be sent to her.

Motion by Tom King to accept the resignation of Karin Cullity Nelson from the Heritage Commission. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Vote: 2-0 (Bob McGrath not present for vote)

- **B.** Rye Town Center Committee Appointment:
  - 1. Lindsay Gray Appointment as a member, email rec'd 4/5/2023
  - 2. Jennifer Thompson Appointment as a member, email rec'd 4/5/2023
  - 3. Recommendation letter rec'd 4/5/2023

Selectman McGrath offered his services to the commissions and committees that are struggling getting new members by advertising with photography and videos to spur some interest.

**Steven Borne, Rye Civic League,** commented that if this is done, RCL can do what they have done in the past. They have invited people from different boards to the Library to talk to the residents about what it takes to serve on the different boards and committees.

The Selectmen agreed this is a great idea.

# Motion by Tom King to appoint Lindsay Gray and Jennifer Thompson to the Rye Town Center Committee. Seconded by Bob McGrath. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

- C. Heritage Commission: 3 years, 4/01/23 to 4/01/26
  - 1. David Choate: Reappointment as a member letter rec'd 3/21/23
  - 2. Gail Hughes: Reappointment as a member letter rec'd 3/24/23
  - 3. Frank Lagana: Reappointment as a member email rec'd 4/7/23

- 4. Elizabeth Sanborn: Reappointment as an alternate email rec'd 4/7/23
- 5. Recommendation letter rec'd 4/7/23 from Bev Giblin, Chair

Note: The Select Board did not have to vote on David Choate as his term expires in 2024.

Vice-Chair Epperson noted that he is on the Heritage Commission. The folks who are up for reappointment have been steadfast in their attendance and input. He would recommend them, as well.

Selectman McGrath stated that based on his position he took on the reappointments on March 27<sup>th</sup>, he will abstain from the vote.

Motion by Tom King to reappoint Gail Hughes as a regular member, Frank Lagana as a regular member, and Elizabeth Sanborn as an alternate to the Heritage Commission for three years. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Vote: 2-0-1 Abstained: Bob McGrath

- **D.** Jason Rucker, Public Works Director Bid Results
  - 1. Catch Basin Cleaning
  - 2. Beach Rubbish Collection

**DPW Director Jason Rucker** presented the bids received for catch basin cleaning and beach rubbish collection. The beach rubbish collection received one bid from NER Recycling, which is the same company that has been working with the Town for the last seven years. This year, the season for rubbish collection has been extended by about six weeks. The bid is a bit more than last season because of this extension. The bid last year was \$8,532 and this year it's \$10,985. The company will be servicing all rubbish, including the dog waste barrels, for the entire season. The pickup is once per day, in the morning, and seven days per week. Director Rucker recommended the bid for catch basin cleaning be awarded to Triton Stormwater, who was the low bidder at \$45 per basin. The hourly rate of \$160 is for the jet cleaning of drain lines and culverts, which is a separate function. The Town budgets for about ten to twelve lines and two hundred catch basins. The Town worked with Triton last season and was happy with their services.

Motion by Bill Epperson to award the contract for beach rubbish collection to NER Recycling, LLC for the sum of \$10,985 for the entire season. Seconded by Bob McGrath. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

Motion by Bob McGrath to award the catch basin cleaning contract to Triton Stormwater at the rate of \$45 per basin and \$160 for an hourly rate. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

# VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

## A. ABATEMENTS

Tax Assessor Ed Tinker met with the Select Board to review his recommendations for the following abatements.

# *The Assessor recommends approval* of the following abatements.

1. Jennifer & Robert Helm, 1 Balsam Drive, map/lot 001-038 Current: \$1,667,000. Proposed: \$1,655,400. Abatement: \$84.33 + interest

Motion by Tom King to approve the abatement request for tax map 001 lot 038 of \$84.33. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

2. Elizabeth Garceau Revocable Trust, 5 Sea Road, map/lot 002-019 Current: \$4,600,600. Proposed: \$3,832,100. Abatement: \$5,587.00 + interest

Motion by Bill Epperson to grant the abatement for tax map 002 lot 019 from \$4,600,600 to \$3,832,100 for a reduction of \$5,587. Seconded by Tom King. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

3. Thomas & Nancy Byrne, 51 & 61 Red Mill Lane, map/lots 005-036 & 037 Current: \$1,095,500. Proposed: \$925,800. Abatement: \$1,233.72 + interest

Motion by Bob McGrath to approve the abatement for tax map 005 lots 036 and 037. The assessment will be reduced from \$1,095,500 to \$925,800 which results in a refund of \$1,233.72. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

4. Daniel Hutchins & Amber Evans, 20 Burnette Drive, map/lot 006-031 Current: \$1,215,800. Proposed: \$938,700. Abatement: \$2,047.77 + interest

Motion by Tom King to approve the abatement for tax map 006 lot 031 for the value to be revised from \$1,215,800 to \$938,700 with a refund of \$2,047.77. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

5. Mark Grondahl, 0 Brackett Road & 65 Wallis Road, map/lots 019-140 & 161 Current: \$7,780,500. Proposed: \$7,742,200. Abatement: \$283.04 + interest

Motion by Bill Epperson to abate the taxes for tax map 019 lots 140 and 161 for an assessment reduction of \$38,300 for an abatement refund of \$283.04. Seconded by Tom King. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

6. Gary & Maryann Goyette, 40 Locke Road, map/lot 084-154-001 Current: \$1,774,900. Proposed: \$1,676,200. Abatement: \$700.77 + interest

Motion by Bob McGrath to approve the abatement for tax map 084 lot 154-001 with an original assessment of \$1,744,900 reduced to \$1,676,200 resulting in a refund of \$700.77. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

7. Sopher Family Trust, 38 Grove Road, map/lot 007-087-001 Current: \$967,200. Proposed: \$965,800. Abatement: \$10.35 + interest

Motion by Tom King to set the abatement of tax map 007 lot 087-001 with an assessment of \$967,200 down to \$965,800 with a refund of \$10.35. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

<u>The Assessor recommends denial</u> of the following applications resulting in no change in the existing assessment.

1. Everett & Gloria Jordan, 590 South Road, map/lot 003-016 Current: \$1,182,800. Abatement: \$0 + interest

Motion by Tom King to deny the abatement for tax map 003 lot 016 for \$1,182,800. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

2. Alan J. Smith Revocable Trust, 47 Pine Street, map/lot 081-074 Current: \$970,400. Abatement: \$0 + interest

Motion by Bill Epperson to deny the abatement application for 47 Pine Street, tax map 081 lot 074. Seconded by Tom King. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

3. Gary & Maryanne Goyette, 24 Locke Road, map/lot 084-154 Current: \$1,299,300 Abatement: \$0 + interest

Motion by Bob McGrath to deny the abatement request for 24 Locke Road, tax map 084 lot 154 with an assessment of \$1,299,300. Seconded by Tom King. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

- **B.** Chief Walsh 2023 Beach Permit Applications
  - 1. Common Roots, LLC
  - 2. Kathryn Londoff Gyrokinesis Classes
  - 3. MAKN, LLC dba Mission Portsmouth
  - 4. Cinnamon Rainbows Surf Company
  - 5. Summer Sessions Surf Shop

**Police Chief Kevin Walsh** reviewed the beach permit applications with the Select Board.

Motion by Tom King to approve the Common Roots beach permit application, as presented, subject to insurance being properly submitted, consideration of the tides, not after dark, and no music. Seconded by Bob McGrath. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

Motion by Bill Epperson to approve the beach permit application for Gyrotonic Seacoast for the dates listed on the application depending on the tides. Seconded by Tom King. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

Motion by Bob McGrath to grant the beach permit to MAKN, LLC dba Mission Portsmouth for beach fitness classes for the described dates and times. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Vote: 3-0 All in favor.

Motion by Bob McGrath to approve the beach permit for Cinnamon Rainbows Surf Company to use the area just up from Jenness Beach and Jenness Beach for private lessons, as described in the application. Seconded by Tom King. Vote: 3-0 All in favor Motion by Tom King to approve the Summer Session beach permit as presented with the conditions that they continue with the 2018 traffic plan and the required insurance is in place by May 15<sup>th</sup>. Seconded by Bob McGrath. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

- **C.** Appointment of Board of Library Trustee *Taken out of posted agenda order (See minutes above).*
- **D.** Request from Chief Walsh to Sole Source Painting of the Public Safety Building

Chief Walsh spoke to the Select Board about the two bids received for the painting of the Public Safety Building. He and DPW Director Jason Rucker recommend that the bid be awarded to Caprioli Painting in the amount of \$64,823.

Motion by Bill Epperson to approve the sole bid for the painting of the Public Safety Building to Caprioli Painting in the amount of \$64,823. Seconded by Bob McGrath. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

**E.** Planning Bid Opening – Proposal for Phase 1 Needs Analysis and Planning Plan

Planning Administrator Kim Reed noted that the bids have already been opened. On March 13<sup>th</sup>, the Select Board accepted the NHHOP Grant in the amount of \$17,750. The Planning Board would like to award the grant to the Rockingham Planning Commission in the amount of \$15,700.

Motion by Tom King to move to proceed with the Planning Board's recommendation by awarding the RFP for consulting services for the NHHOP Planning Grant Phase 1 Needs Assessment to the Rockingham Planning Commission not to exceed \$15,700 with the remainder of the grant funds to be used for purposes consistent with the grant and the Select Board Chair shall have signature authority for this agreement. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Vote: 3-0 All in favor

# **F.** Transfer of Appropriation

Chair King explained that as the Select Board usually does, some money was moved around at the end of 2022. There was some concern by some residents about this. The Select Board is going to do a public transfer of appropriation to clarify it was voted for appropriately at the time. He further explained that \$20,000 was moved from the Public Works 2022 Budget to cover expenses in the Conservation Budget.

Selectman McGrath noted that he is going to abstain from this vote due to his recent appointment to the Board.

Chair King opened to the public for questions.

Joe Marttila, 96 Alehson Street, asked the purpose of the expenditure.

Chair King replied it was moved to the legal expense line item in the budget.

Mr. Marttila commented that on page 32 of the annual report, it shows quite a large amount of money for 120 Garland Road for legal expenses for RCC.

Chair King explained this is not RCC's only legal expense. It's an aggregate dollar amount of the annual budget. The money could be for any legal expense that the Conservation Commission expended in the year 2022.

To clarify the vote the Board took prior to year-end 2022, Tom King moved that the Selectmen authorize up to \$20,000 to be moved from the remaining appropriations in the Public Works 2022 Budget to cover the expenditure in the Conservation Budget. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Vote: 2-0-1 Abstained: Bob McGrath

#### VIII. CORRESPONDENCE

None

#### IX. NEW BUSINESS

• Chief Walsh noted that the Rye Water District will be starting it's spring flushing in the next couple of weeks. RWD Superintendent Arik Jones has requested the use of the electronic sign to get the word out to residents. Chief Walsh asked if the electronic sign could be put out in front of the Public Safety Building.

Chair King commented that he does not think the Historic District Commission will appreciate the sign being up for three weeks. He thinks the sign should be between Route 1 and Washington Road because that is the section being flushed.

There was some discussion about the best location for the electronic sign.

#### X. OLD BUSINESS

• Chair King explained that last year, there was a Regional Association Review Committee to look at the donations the Town makes to charitable groups. The Committee finished in December; however, the Select Board has not yet followed up with them.

The Selectmen agreed to schedule a work session in the future to focus on the Committee's recommendations.

• Chair King noted that last month, Craig Musselman (CMA Engineering) was before the Board giving a presentation on the landfills. Mr. Musselman was talking about whether another monitoring well was wanted for Breakfast Hill and also whether the Town wanted to expand the zoning overlay for drinking water and the groundwater management zone for Grove Road. Chair King suggested that the Select Board discuss these issues.

The Selectmen agreed this should be handled in a work session.

• Chair King noted that the Rye400 Committee has done such a successful job of raising money that they don't need the rest of the money the Town provided via warrant. There should be about \$11,000 to \$12,000 left. Chair King suggested the funds be put towards Rye Day or any other big event for Rye400 that the Recreation Commission is involved in.

Town Administrator Matt Scruton pointed out it must be used for Rye400 as stated in the warrant. The Select Board agreed.

• Chair King commented that the Select Board attended a NH Municipal Association workshop. There was a fair amount of information given on right-to-know. He explained the minutes of meetings have to be out in five days; however, that's difficult to meet. It has been pointed out that the minutes are done after that time period and approved at the next meeting, which for most boards and commissions is next month. Chair King explained that he and Administrator Scruton, along with Janice Ireland, have been working on a template for the commissions and committees to fill in the date, time, members present, and any motions that were made. This is basically the minimum requirements. This can be given to Janice Ireland for posting on the website until the approved minutes come in.

After some discussion, the Select Board agreed to give the template idea a chance to see how it works.

Steve Borne, 431 Wallis Road, explained the draft meeting minutes are due and need to be posted within five days. The minutes become official at the next meeting. Last month, the Planning Board posted it's notice of decisions right away, which was helpful. What is really lacking is attachments. Anything that is in the pubic domain that was discussed, is not being attached to the draft meeting minutes. He noted that the School Board posts their packets of anything that is going to be discussed before the School Board Meeting.

Administrator Scruton commented there may be concerns with having multiple draft sets of minutes. One could argue that the draft minutes that are posted are not the ones that are going to get approved. He thinks it begs a legal question that should be explored.

The Select Board agreed that more information is needed.

• Chair King stated that the last topic discussed at the municipal workshop was on liability. Every volunteer in the Town should be signing the liability form every year. It absolves the Town of any liability if anyone gets injured in the course of their duties. Chair King suggested they define the kinds of volunteers and see what's applicable. Those forms should be given to those volunteers.

The Selectmen agreed to have Administrator Scruton schedule a work session for the Select Board.

Administrator Scruton stated that Finance Director Becky Bergeron wanted him to relay that the intent isn't to absolve the Town but to protect both sides; the Town and the volunteer.

#### XI. OTHER BUSINESS

# A. Approval of Minutes

- 1. Meeting, Thursday, February 23, 2023, 2:00 p.m., Wave Community Center
- 2. Non-Public Session, Thursday, February 23, 2023 (1) per RSA 91-A:3 II (a) Personnel

Motion by Bill Epperson to approve the minutes of February 23, 2023 as written and not to seal. Vote: 1-0-2 Abstained: Tom King and Bob McGrath

3. Meeting, Monday, February 27, 2023, 5:15 p.m., Rye Town Hall

Motion by Tom King to approve the minutes of February 27, 2023 as written. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Vote: 2-0-1 Abstained: Bob McGrath

4. Non-Public Session, Monday, February 27, 2023 (1) per RSA 91-A:3 II (d) Acquisition

Motion by Tom King to approve the non-public minutes per RSA 91-A:3 II (d) Acquisition of February 27, 2023 as written and to seal. Seconded by Bill Epperson.

Vote: 2-0-1 Abstained: Bob McGrath

(2) per RSA 91-A:3 II (a) Personnel

Motion by Bill Epperson approve the non-public minutes per RSA 91-A:3 II (a) Personnel of February 27, 2023 as written and to seal. Seconded by Tom King.

Vote: 2-0-1 Abstained: Bob McGrath

4. Meeting, Monday, March 13, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Rye Town Hall

The following correction was noted:

o Page 2, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph, 6<sup>th</sup> sentence should read: **The Select Board negotiated and installed a new cell tower, which provides an additional \$30,000 yearly in revenue for the Town.** 

Motion by Tom King to approve the minutes of March 13, 2023 as amended. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Vote: 2-0-1 Abstained: Bob McGrath

5. Non-Public Session, Monday, March 13, 2023 (1) per RSA 91-A:3 II (c) Reputation

Motion by Tom King to approve the non-public minutes of March 13, 2023 as written and not to seal. Seconded by Bill Epperson. Vote: 2-0-1 Abstained: Bob McGrath

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Bill Epperson to adjourn at 8:58 p.m. Seconded by Tom King. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, Dyana F. Ledger