



Salisbury Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

March 15, 2023

Selectman Brett Walker, Chair	Present
Selectman John W. Herbert	Present
Selectman Jim Hoyt	Present
Town Administrator April Rollins	Present
Municipal Assistant Sadie Merrow	Present

Attendees: Several citizens attended the meeting in person at Academy Hall. No one attended via zoom.

1) Open Meeting

Chairman Walker opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

2) Meeting Minutes

Selectman Herbert asked to make an edit to section 6 of the March 1st minutes, he asked for a grammatical error to be corrected.

Selectman Herbert made a **motion** to approve the minutes of March 1, 2023. Selectman Walker **seconded** the motion which passed successfully.

3) Signatures

Chairman Walker noted that the Selectboard had reviewed and signed where applicable:

- Review Accounts Payable & Payroll Registers – Available for Public Inspection
- 2022 Equalization Municipal Assessment Data Certificate
- Veteran's Credit – Tax Map 236, Lot 4.1 (Coleman)

- Notice of lien \$26,549.75

Documents are available for public inspection.

4) Department / Board / Committee Reports

a. **Fire Chief / Road Agent**

Bill MacDuffie Jr. told the Board, he plans to propose an amendment to the Highway department operating budget on the floor at town meeting, due to over Increased costs because of the length of the storms.

b. **Transfer Station**

Manager LaFlamme stated the brush pile is close to being extinguished, other than that he had nothing else to report.

5) New Business:

a. January & February – Police Stats

NH Police Statistics January 2023	
TYPE OF CALL	#
Abandoned Vehicle	1
Aircraft Incident	1
Assist motorist	1
Assisting other Agencies	1
Dispute	1
Domestic in progress	1
MV Accident	3
Noise Complaint	1
Requests for Service	3
Restraining Order	1
Suspicious MV/ Person	1
Traffic Stop	22
Vehicle off Road	1
Welfare Check	7

NH Police Statistics February 2023	
TYPE OF CALL	#
Ambulance Needed	2
Assault Past Tense	1
Assisting other Agencies	3
Burglar Alarm	1
Domestic in progress	2
Restraining Order	1
Vehicle off Road	2
Requests for Service	3
Restraining Order	1
Suspicious MV/ Person	1
Traffic Stop	22
Welfare Check	3
Total Calls	42

- b. Public Hearing for Class VI Road Waiver – Calef Hill Road, Scheduled for 4/5/23
 - TA Rollins said the certified notices went out on March 10th. TA Rollins also provided the tax map and suggested a site walk weather permitting. Selectman Hoyt asked the road agent about the condition of the road. The road agent said he thinks the road is grown in but feels the applicant will be able to do the necessary upgrades to the road.
- c. State of NH vs. 3M Company - Re: PFAS at the Transfer Station
 - Selectman Walker gave TA Rollins emergency permission to communicate with Mitchell Municipal group regarding the subpoena.

TA Rollins stated, Attorney Driscoll of Mitchell Municipal Group, has filed an objection to 3M's subpoena.

"The purpose of the objections as we submitted them, inclusive of both general and specific objections, is that based on the relevant rules/caselaw this now shifts the burden to 3M to take steps to address those objections in order to require any production. This leaves them a few options, one being a drastic narrowing of their request or (and what we see as the more likely option), they file something with the Court for the judge to address the reasonableness of their requests and our objections."

The goal here are to drastically limit the request from 'everything/everyone associated with a landfill in your community since 1950' down to something reasonable/attainable and tailored to what local governments would possess. TA Rollins will collect and assemble the documents that are not in the state's possession. These documents include the following:

 - AFFF procurement records
 - Town engineer correspondence regarding PFAS
 - Any meeting minutes regarding PFAS
 - Records of use of AFFF in Fire Department training and call

TA Rollins stated the original subpoena is unreasonable and unattainable.

Please note, we have not received a response to our objections to date. We are however, coordinating a further call with other municipal counsel to discuss our united front moving forward. TA Rollins noted there are 22 other town involved.
- d. Town Meeting voting Postponed until Tuesday, March 28th from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Business Portion commences when the Polls close
 - Due to the rescheduling the Town Clerk will work the 27th for absentee ballots from 3-5 P.m., and the town supervisors will reprint the voter registration checklist.
- e. Winter Shoveling
 - The current shoveler is moving on after this season, TA Rollins will start advertising for this position in late summer.

6) Old Business - Outstanding 2023 Budget Items - Selectmen's Reports

- a. Cross Plumbing & Heating - Quote for Academy Hall's Water Pump
 - Selectman Hoyt looked over the quote and believes we can get a better price. TA Rollins to get further estimate. Selectman Walker agreed since this maintenance is not an urgent matter.
- b. RSA 31:95-e – Donation to Old Home Day Committee \$6,000 dollars from Salisbury Haunted Woods
 - Selectman Hoyt made a **motion** to accept the donation of \$6,000 dollars from the Salisbury Haunted Woods to the Old Home Day Committee. Selectman Herbert **seconded** the motion. Chair Walker abstained motion passed.

7) Selectmen's Reports

- Selectman Hoyt said TDS will be donating \$1,500 dollars to the Old Home Day Committee.
- Selectman Walker Stated he will be absent at the next meeting on April 5th. The other selectman will need to consider board/committee ex-officio appointments.

8) Public Comment

- There was no public comment.

9) Town Administrator's Report

- TA Rollins had nothing to report.

The next scheduled Selectmen meeting is April 5, 2023 7pm at Academy Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sadie Merrow, Municipal Assistant