

**Minutes of Meeting
CONWAY BOARD OF SELECTMEN
February 22, 2022**

The Selectmen's Meeting convened at 4:01 pm in the Meeting Room at the New Town Hall with the following present: C. David Weathers, Mary Carey Seavey, Carl Thibodeau, John Colbath, Steven Porter, Town Manager Thomas Holmes, and Executive Secretary, Krista Day.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Weathers led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Weathers noted they would be adding 9a., KHS Crank the Kanc on May 14, 2022.

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Ms. Seavey, to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION OF ARPA REQUESTS

a. Generator Amendment

Mr. Holmes explained that Chief Mattei was requesting that the Board to increase their original motion for the purchase of a generator for the Police Station as the lowest bidder's quote was invalidated.

While it is not a local company, it is a New Hampshire company.

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to authorize up to \$79,909 from the ARPA funds for the purchase of a generator for the police station. The motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF RECEIPTS

The receipts were available for review.

SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS

a. Notice of Intent to Cut Wood/Timber on Map/Lot 260-52

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to sign the document listed above. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

- a. AP Manifest dated 2/24/2022
- b. Payroll dated 2/24/2022

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to sign the AP Manifest and Payroll dated 2/24/2022. The motion carried unanimously.

RATIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS SIGNED OUT OF SESSION

(none)

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION(S)

- a. KHS Crank the Kanc (5/14/2022)

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Ms. Seavey, to approve the special event application as listed above. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

- a. Regular and Non-Public Minutes from 2/15/2022

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried unanimously.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Holmes explained that we have found the Boston Post Cane in possession of the Historical Society.

Mr. Holmes asked the Board to think about whether they would like to start that tradition again and it can be discussed at a future meeting.

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to authorize the Town Manager to work with the Historical Society regarding the Boston Post Cane presentations in the future. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Mr. Colbath noted that they have at least three applicants for the next ZBA meeting.

Mr. Colbath noted that they had an additional meeting of the Budget Committee the past week and the committee had voted (9-0-0) in support of the Starting Point warrant article.

Mr. Porter stated that the Planning Board would be meeting on Thursday, February 24, 2022.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND MEDIA QUESTIONS

Daymond Steer from the Conway Daily Sun asked if someone who lived at the Mountain View Nursing Home would still qualify for the Boston Cane in Conway.

Mr. Colbath stated that traditionally, the cane given to the oldest living resident of the Town of Conway.

He noted that he believed a person from Conway who is living in the nursing home is still considered a resident.

Mr. Steer noted that there is a short-term rental owner named Matthew Collard who has been asking about Mr. Holmes view on the status of short-term rentals and whether he is speaking on behalf of the Board.

Mr. Holmes noted that he would never speak on behalf of the Board without their permission and he stands by his personal opinions.

At 4:12 pm, Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (C). The motion carried unanimously.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION RSA 91-A :3 II (C) – TAX MATTER

At 4:16 pm, the Board returned to public session.

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Thibodeau, to seal the minutes from this non-public session as divulgence of the information would render the proposed action ineffective. The motion carried unanimously.

At 4:16 pm, Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (E). The motion carried unanimously.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION RSA 91-A :3 II (E) – PENDING LITIGATION

At 5:40 pm, the Board returned to public session.

Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Thibodeau, to seal the minutes from this non-public session as divulgence of the information would render the proposed action ineffective. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

At 5:40 pm, the meeting adjourned at the call of the Chair.

Respectfully Submitted,

Krista Day
Executive Secretary