



**Office of Board of Selectmen
Town of Mason**

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Selectmen Meeting 10/10/2023

Approved Minutes

Present: Selectmen Kate Batcheller, Charlie Moser, John Suiter; Admin Asst Jen Tenney;
Accountant Brenda Wiley
Residents: Myles Holman, Nicole Ruggiero

Called to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:44pm by Chair Kate Batcheller,
attendance was taken by roll call as reflected above.

Approvals:

- Noted that the accounts payable and payroll manifests had been reviewed and approved prior to the meeting.
- Minutes of 9/12/2023 BOS / HWY meeting - Kate motioned to approve as written, second from Charlie. Roll call vote Kate-aye, Charlie-aye, John-aye.
- Minutes of 9/12/2023 BOS meeting - Kate motioned to approve as written, second from John. Roll call vote Kate-aye, Charlie-aye, John-aye.

New Business:

- Met with Myles Holman and appointed as new Forestry Committee member.
- Met with Nicole Ruggiero
 - Discussed the Superior Court ruling regarding the parking lot at J-60. Nicole plans to amend the current special exception application for J-60.
 - Selectmen had a discussion regarding monitoring decibel levels during concerts and events at the Driving Range with a continuous monitor. Nicole will consider.
- Reviewed suggested changes to Mason's regulations related to floodplain development in reference to the National Flood Insurance Program. Planning Board is working on this.
- Charlie is currently reviewing the process of taxing businesses with the town's assessor; follow up discussion at a later date.
- Reviewed the process for departments submitting their proposed 2024 budgets.

- Kate motioned to move forward with enrolling Mason town employees into the NH Retirement System to enable benefits for 1/1/2024, second from John. Roll call vote Kate-aye, Charlie-aye, John-aye.
- Kate motioned to use \$150k from the fund balance to offset the suggested state tax rate setting the 2023 Mason tax rate at \$23.72, second from Charlie. Roll call vote Kate-aye, Charlie-aye, John-aye.
- Kate reviewed suggestion for changing the layout of the budget in the annual report. All Selectmen are in favor of the adjustment, Brenda will implement changes.
- Briefly reviewed the communication tower was struck by lightning during a storm last month. Primex will be sending an adjuster and this will be reviewed at a later date.

Old Business:

- Historical Society elected positions last night.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Kate motioned to adjourn, second from Charlie. Roll call vote Kate-aye, Charlie-aye, John-aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:28pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Tenney

BOS Administrative Assistant