**Approved** 

## Town of Randolph office of the selectmen

MINUTES OF MEETING June 10, 2024

Members Present: Paul Jadis, Michele Cormier, Rick Fournier

Beverly Jadis, Judy Kenison, Jon Gilson, Bill Demers

Paul Kenison, Linda Dupont

The meeting began at 6 pm

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## **DISCUSSION ITEMS AND MOTIONS:**

Paul Kenison, Road Agent reviewed with the board, scheduling roadside mowing before the events of August 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. The boards have been placed at the Ravine House Dam and the pool is filling. They continued to review the culverts to be replaced in September.

Bill Demers and Paul Jadis are requesting the Board of Selectmen's consideration of information and adoption of agreements with the CPCNH following the adoption of the Electric Aggregation Plan for Randolph Community Power by the voters at the Town Meeting on March 12, 2024. These policies and agreements need to be approved by the Board of Selectmen before Randolph Community Power can begin energy procurement for a launch of services.

Michele Cormier moved, that the Randolph Board of Selectmen hereby agrees to enter into the Cost Sharing Agreement and Member Services Contract for the Complete Service Bundle with the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire (CPCNH) with Kathleen Kelley as the Authorized Officer and with elections in Exhibit C Article VIII Section 2 of the Agreement being a) yes, b) yes and c) yes, and

Be it Further moved, that the Randolph Board of Selectmen hereby approves CPCNH's Data Security and Privacy, Energy Management, Rates, and Financial Reserves Policies. Rick Fournier seconded. All agreed.

Michele reviewed "Town Property Use Guidelines" adding additional information to conform with the Bicentennial functions happenings within the town this summer. Rick Fournier moved to adopt the updated policy. Michele Cormier seconded. All agreed.

The board reviewed and approved a Building Permit for the Darlington family to expand a porch. Also, reviewed and signed two Timber Cut total submissions from the Town Forest and Newell White.

Rick Fournier updated the board that Ray Cotnoir and himself inspected the Randolph Police Radios turned in by the former agents. All scraped and unusable materials were discarded. Ray recommended using the radios as base units at the town hall (Emergency Management Base). They have a stronger signal by adding an aluminum antenna would work better for the town. The board agreed to look into the possibility of the placement of the antenna at the town hall.

The Trustees of the Trust Committee came before the Board of Selectmen, Jon Gilson reviewed the projections of the 5.35% return of the Trust Funds, the largest coming from the Roads and Bridges account. The total expected interest earned this year is projected to be \$54,842. The Selectmen are the agents of the Trust Funds therefore, the committee reviewed several options for the board to consider:

- 1. Reduce the tax burden
- 2. Pay down the principle of the note for Durand Road.
- 3. Offset monies to be placed into the Roads & Bridges ETF by the increased interest earned.

Jon submitted a projection of the 2024 Trust Fund Balance, assuming 5.35% NHPDIP returns, broken down by each fund. The board thanked the Trust Fund Committee members for their diligence in bringing this to their attention.

Every year the Forest Commission includes in their budget an amount to pay at Payment In Liew of Taxes to the Town. Reviewing this has been inconsistent or not at all. Paul Jadis moved to bill the Forest Commission for \$5000 for the 2022 year, \$6000 for the 2023 year, and \$7000 for the 2024 year. Michele Cormier seconded. All agreed.

Michele Cormier moved to extend the deadline for the return of the PA-28 Property Inventory forms. Paul Jadis seconded. All agreed.

Paul Jadis recused himself so that Selectmen Rick Fournier and Michele Cormier could review an abatement request submitted by Paul Jadis.

Rick and Michele reviewed and discussed the comparable properties with a 25% view presented by Avitar, they reviewed Avitar's recommendation, and the NH State guidelines regarding the view assessment, and visited the site. After deliberation, the board determined that during the 2019 reval, there was a 25% view, 2024 being a total reval year would change things as well and this will be determined by December billing.

They decided to abate half of the view from 25% to 12.5%. Both board members were in agreement.

Randolph Hill Road has developed sinkholes from the heavy rain storm that occurred last December. Rick Fournier moved to contract Lee Corrigan. Paul Jadis seconded. All agreed. Knowing the need is apparent the board agreed to overstep the Procurement Policy and agreed to contract Lee Corrigan to address the repairs in a timely manner.

Rick Fournier is addressing several complaints regarding loose dogs, chasing walkers, and attacking and injuring at least three residents and their dogs while walking on the road. There are

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm	
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also complaints of four-wheelers on Raycrest Drive regarding the same address. Noting the Town of Randolph has a strict no four-wheeler policy.