

Town of Oakham

Board of Selectmen

Work Meeting

Minutes of June 30, 2022

Present: Lucy Tessnau-Chairman, Don Haapakoski-Vice Chairman, Brad Taylor

In attendance: Maribel LaRange-BOS admin asst, Kevin Currier

Meeting opened at 11:03 AM by Chairman, Don Haapakoski

Approve Warrants: Don made motion to approve warrant WR22-26A for Worcester Retirement and Quabbin Regional School District, Lucy 2nd, Brad all in favor.

Appointment for Registrar, Tammy Gehring: Brad made motion to appoint Tammy Gehring as a registrar for the Town of Oakham, Lucy 2nd, Don all in favor.

Appointment for Full Time Officer, Sergeant Kevin Marderosian: Sergeant Marderosian has been with the Oakham Police Department on part time employment since 2013. Sergeant Marderosian has accepted the promotion from part time to a full-time position for the Oakham Police Department.

Don notified the board that Kendall Watson has resigned

Brad made motion to appoint Sergeant Kevin Marderosian for the full-time Oakham Police Department position, Lucy 2nd, Don all in favor.

WRAP Program Contract-HWY Dept: Kevin Currier, Highway Superintendent notified the board the grant amount for the WRAP program is \$142,464. The grant requires a designated signatory. Don made motion to make Kevin Currier the contract signatory for the WRAP program grant, Brad 2nd, Lucy all in favor.

New Business: Lucy notified the board that there is a virtual hearing on July 29th 10-12pm for any to attend regarding hunting regulation going into another chapter.

The Quabbin Regional District will be going into a 1/12 budget based on the budget for FY22.

Old Business: Lucy would like to find an audit committee. Don Haapakoski would be a member on behalf of the BOS and would be beneficial to have members of FINCOM on it as well. There is \$25,000 allocated from the previous years ATM.

Lucy informed the board that she would like to get a big clock like the one at the fire station for the senior center.

Kevin would like to award the paving contract to P.J. Keating not the lowest bidder which was Mass Broken Stone (difference between the two is 0.58 cents) due to work experience and performance. The Town will seek advice from Town Counsel.

Brad made motion to award the bid for paving to P.J. Keating over Mass Broken Stone under best business practice, contingent Town Counsel approval, Lucy 2nd, Don all in favor.

The board all agree to let Steve Labarre take full control on the collector's software conversion.

At the ATM Article was not on the warrant posted. Town Counsel led the people to vote on allowing for article to be presented at the ATM. Will advise Counsel that the resident who at the ATM said a waiver for article #20 can be done is a retired judge. The Town's People voted all Yea, one Nay.

Ryan McCaffrey will begin the project around the electronic sign located at the Town Hall.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:05 PM: Brad made motion to adjourn, Lucy 2nd, Don all in favor.