**August 19, 2024**

Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER and FLAG SALUTE – Chairman Gino Valeriani presided. Derek Pike and Elizabeth Olsen were present. Resident Rodney Bryant was also present.

1. ACTION ON MINUTES
   1. *Action on Minutes dated July 22, 2024 - Elizabeth motioned to accept the minutes, Derek seconded, 3-0.*

1. ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA – Executive session on a personnel issue.
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Rodney Bryant came to ask the selectmen to delay the lien on the property he sold in August. Due to splitting the acreage, a separate tax bill wasn’t created, and the bank was mistakenly told that no taxes were due. The board agreed to hold the lien process on this property for 2 weeks, which is still within the period of liens by statute.
3. BUSINESS ITEM –

5.1 Responsible Pet Care Annual Contract – *Motion to have Gino sign by Elizabeth, 2nd by Derek – passed.*

5.2 Sign AVCOG Municipal Dues – *Motion to have Gino sign by Elizabeth, 2nd by Derek – passed.*

5.3 Discussion of the proposed TRIO upgrade – Gino is attending a meeting on Thursday and will look into the possibility of lowering the cost. Elizabeth will check into the ARPA funds for the office upgrade still available.

5.4 Discussion/signing of the BLUESTAR Consulting Services Engagement Letter - *Motion to sign by Elizabeth, 2nd by Derek – passed.*

5.5 Discussion of closure of the Town Office on Friday, August 30th. *Motion close the office August 30th by Elizabeth, 2nd by Derek – passed. Advertising to start tomorrow. Also discussed closing ½ days on Wednesday starting September 4th due to low staffing.*

6. CHAIRMAN’S ITEMS – Kevin Barrett resigned his position as Highway Equipment Operator. We have advertised the position.

7. SELECTMEN ITEMS -

8. SIGN WARRANTS – # 28, 29, 30, 31 and Payroll Warrant # 15,16 *Motion to sign warrants by Elizabeth, seconded by Derek. Passed.*

9. Motion to go into Executive session for a personnel issue at 7:53 Pm by Elizabeth Olsen, seconded by Derek. Passed

Out of Executive session at 8:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT - Motion to adjourn at 8:00 PM

Selectboard Workshop to discuss the Ad Hoc Committee’s Town Governance proposal.