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Board of Selectmen Meeting Wednesday, August 3, 2022 4:30 PM Town Hall

Present:

Matthew Riiska, Paul Madore, Sandy Evans, Barbara Gomez, Phylis Bernard

and Ruth Melville

The meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m.

Public Comments: None

Minutes: July 6, 2022 and July 18, 2022

It was noted that the date was incorrect on the agenda for the special meeting. It should have read July 18, 2022.

MOTION P. Madore to approve the minutes of the July 6, 2022 meeting as presented.

Second S. Evans. Carried unanimously.

MOTION S. Evans to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2022 special meeting as presented.

Second P. Madore. Carried unanimously.

Sharon Hospital Resolution

M. Riiska received a call from Dr. David Kurish from Sharon Hospital. He asked if the Town of Norfolk would join Sharon, Kent, Cornwall and other towns in the NW corner supporting Sharon Hospital in their current situation. Dr. Kurish provided a few resolutions from other towns in support of retaining vital services (i.e. labor/delivery, intensive care, etc.) to Sharon Hospital. **MOTION** S. Evans for the Town of Norfolk to provide a Resolution of Support for Sharon Hospital to retain vital services. Second P. Madore. Carried unanimously.

Selectman's Report

- M. Riiska reported that he is putting together the plans for Maple Avenue and working on the financial options. He will be applying for a State of CT STEAP Grant (Small Towns Economic Assistance Program) which allows for \$500,000 maximum. The Maple Avenue project is shovel ready, which is one of the requirements for the grant.
- Public Works We just finished paving Lover's Lane and a finish coat was put on North Colebrook Road. Next Summer we will apply a coat of chipseal.
- Mountain Road Bridge Work is moving along and will be completed in September. The walls
 are poured and they are cutting the existing stone which was removed from the old bridge and
 will be applied to the new bridge.
- River Place Bridge Contractors ran into a number of issues with utility and supply chain problems causing the completion date to be pushed out to July 2023. M. Riiska meets bi-weekly with the contractors and Aquarion and they are currently discussing winter plans allowing access for emergency services, plows, etc.
- M. Riiska wants to thank everyone for getting out to the Town Meeting last week in support of the Solar Project at the Transfer Station. There were some issues with the sound system at the meeting but in the future John DeShazo will be helping out.

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Selectman's Report (cont'd)

- Transfer Station discussion regarding the bird droppings. Matt reported that it will be power washed soon.
- EMS Building S. Evans reported that currently the parking lot is breaking up in areas and debris is being dragged into the ambulance bay. M. Riiska will talk to the Public Works Supervisor about sealing it up.

MOTION S. Evans to adjourn at 4:56 p.m. Second P. Madore. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Gomez