



Board of Selectmen's Meeting  
Wednesday, May 3, 2023  
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 4:30 p.m.

*Public Comments:* None

*Minutes:* April 5, 2023 and April 27, 2023

**MOTION** S. Evans to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2023 meeting as presented.  
Second P. Madore. Carried unanimously.

**MOTION** S. Evans to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2023 meeting as presented.  
Second M. Riiska. Abstain P. Madore. Motion carried.

#### *Authorizing a Deferral of Property Revaluations*

The Town assessor, Lucy Hussman, asked if we could defer the property revaluation date from October 1, 2023 to October 1, 2024 which is allowed under State Statute Bill No. 51-67.

**MOTION** S. Evans to defer the property revaluation date from October 1, 2023 to October 1, 2024. Second P. Madore. Carried unanimously.

#### *Fair Housing Resolutions*

M. Riiska reviewed the Fair Housing Resolution with those present (copy posted in Town Hall).

**MOTION** S. Evans to approve the Fair Housing Resolution. Second P. Madore. Carried unanimously.

#### *Selectman's Report*

- Annual Town Meeting to be held on Monday, May 8, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at Botelle School. M. Riiska reviewed some of the items listed on the Call of the Meeting (tennis court refurbishment, fiber optic work in town, Botelle School roof and Maple Avenue reconstruction and remediation from gas spill).
- Regional #7 Referendum results – 49 – YES 14 - NO
- Fuel Spill Reimbursement – The Town of Norfolk submitted a request for \$172,000 in reimbursements from Federated Insurance Company and received a check for \$168,000. We have reimbursed all individuals and businesses that were effected. M. Riiska completed the paperwork for our next submission which is \$105,000.
- Frontier Fiber Optics – The Town's cost will be \$467,000. To be discussed further at the Town Meeting.
- River Place Bridge – The physical work is on hold while engineering work is being done. There is a problem with the footings on one side. M. Riiska expressed his concern to the engineers considering the bridge was scheduled to be completed 11/30/22. M. Riiska contacted Salisbury Bank and we have budget funds to take care of interest payments.

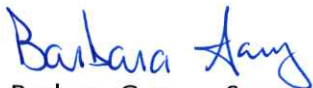
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*Selectman's Report (continued)*

- Summer Projects will include paving on Hillside Street (to be paid for by Aquarion Water Co.) and Laurel Way Ext. Distinctive Tree will be working around Doolittle and on Old Goshen Road. The sidewalks downtown will be redone from the Post Office to the Berkshire Store and Robertson Plaza to Route 44. Also spot paving and catch basin work will be done.
- Fuel Spill Informational Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at Botelle School.

**MOTION** S. Evans to adjourn at 5:03 p.m. Second P. Madore. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Barbara Gomez, Secretary