

**TOWN OF ACTON SELECT BOARD MEETING**

**June 12, 2024**

**6:00pm**

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Winchell, Jr. called the meeting to order.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION**

The Fire Chief Wayne Ham presented Meritorious Service Awards to the fire crew who responded to a call on 5/15/2024 which saved the life of an individual. Recipients were Wendy Rudnicki, Rhody McCoy, Caleb Cole, Harold Smith, and Robin Ham.

**ELECTION RESULTS**

403 Ballots Cast (806 when two choices are indicated)

**Select Board**

Thomas McGurty	244
Jon Denekamp	231
Rollin Waterhouse	133
Blanks	198

**Democratic**

No contention  
140 ballots cast

**Republican**

202 ballots cast

**Congress Race – Ron Russel**

**School Committee**

Christina Gardner	180
Terri Minihan	173
Elizabeth Kitteridge	164
Andrew Johnson	111
Catherine Johnson	47
Blanks	131

**District 2 Road Commissioner**

William Langley	364
Blanks	39

**SELECTION OF CHAIR**

**Norwood made a motion to nominate David Winchell Jr. as the Select Board Chair; seconded by Walsh. Vote: 4-0 (Winchell Jr. abstained) Motion carried.**

## **SELECTION OF LIASIONS**

Roux recommended the following as board liaisons:

David Winchell Jr, - Chair, Roads, Road Committee and Municipal Grounds

Thomas McGurty - Municipal Finance, Warrant & Finance and APAT

Daniel Norwood - Fire Department, Recreation Committee and Conservation Forest Committee,

Ed Walsh – Transfer Station, Mary Grant Committee, and Animal Control Officer\*

Jon Denekamp – School Department, Planning Board/Land Use and Cemetery Committee

- \* Discussion ensued regarding ACO position and the need for the Select Board liaison to be a part of the Acton/Shapleigh decision/selection.

**McGurty made a motion to accept the liaison designations as presented; seconded by Walsh. All in favor. Motion carried.**

## **2. WARRANTS/BILLS**

**Signed.**

## **3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Walsh made a motion to approve the agenda for June 12; seconded by Norwood. All in favor. Motion carried.**

## **4. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

**Norwood made a motion to approve the minutes of May 22<sup>nd</sup>, and both May 29<sup>th</sup> meetings; seconded by Walsh. All in favor. Motion carried.**

## **5. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR WEEKLY UPDATE**

Roux updated the Select Board of the following:

- The Transfer Station and Town Hall will be closed on 6/19/24 in observance of Juneteenth.
- Zoning Audit and EMA job description has been tabled until June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Town Administrator will provide documents to be reviewed before the next meeting.
- Sherrif Department's May Monthly Report
- Salary increases stated in the budget will go into effect in July.

## **6. DEPARTMENT HEAD / COMMITTEE CHAIR UPDATES**

n/a

## **7. LIAISON UPDATES**

n/a

## **8. OLD BUSINESS**

n/a

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. **Fire Department Request**

Chief Ham presented a list of items to be purchased, quotes and relevance of need. Discussion ensued regarding pump repair versus new pump and Southern Maine Communications service.

**McGurty made a motion to approve the Fire Department's presented list and permitted discretion of the liaison and Town Administrator to decide on a repaired or new pump based on costs and fund balances; seconded by Norwood. All in favor. Motion carried.**

B. **Personal Property Tax Write Offs**

Roux presented a list of personal property taxes from 2007 - 2010 to be considered for write off.

**McGurty made a motion to write off the personal property taxes due from 2006 – 2018 in the amount of \$7,007.35; seconded by Norwood. All in favor. Motion carried.**

C. **Appointments**

**McGurty made a motion to appoint Jason Sevigny as the Code Enforcement Officer/E911/Local Plumbing Officer until 6/30/2025; seconded by Norwood. All in favor. Motion carried.**

**McGurty made a motion to appoint Robert Anderson as the Constable until 6/30/2025; seconded by Norwood. All in favor. Motion carried.**

**McGurty made a motion to appoint John Fatula as Forestry & Conservation Member until 6/30/2025; seconded by Norwood. All in favor. Motion carried.**

**McGurty made a motion to appoint Victoria Erickson as Health Officer until 6/30/2025; seconded by Norwood. All in favor. Motion carried.**

**McGurty made a motion to appoint John Qua as a Planning Board Member until 6/30/2027; seconded by Norwood. All in favor. Motion carried.**

**McGurty made a motion to appoint Christopher Whitman as a Planning Board Member until 6/30/2027; seconded by Norwood. All in favor. Motion carried.**

**McGurty made a motion to appoint Andrew Johnson as an Alternate Planning Board Member until 6/30/2027; seconded by Norwood. All in favor. Motion carried.**

**McGurty made a motion to appoint Roger Perrault as an Alternate Planning Board Member until 6/30/2027; seconded by Norwood. All in favor. Motion carried.**

**McGurty made a motion to appoint Jennifer Roux as the Town Clerk/Town Tax Collector until 6/30/2027; seconded by Norwood. All in favor. Motion carried.**

D. **Order of Municipal Officers**

**McGurty made a motion to accept the Order of Municipal Officers; seconded by Walsh. All in favor. Motion carried.**

E. Propane Contract

**McGurty made a motion to award the propane contract to Superior Plus Propane for 8,000 gallons at \$1.79 per gallon, effective until April 30, 2025; seconded by Walsh. All in favor. Motion carried.**

F. Mass Gathering Permit

**McGurty made a motion to approve the Mass Gathering permit for Rolling Thunder's Car show on June 22, 2024; seconded by Walsh. All in favor. Motion carried.**

G. J.A. Brock Land Management LLC Commercial Hauler Renewal

**McGurty made a motion to approve an application for a Commercial Hauler permit to J.A. Brock Land Management LLC; seconded by Walsh. Vote: 4-0 (Walsh abstained) Motion carried.**

H. Resignation

Roux announced the Michael Corey handed in a resignation from APAT indicating a 2-week notice. The Town Administrator is working closely with Dan Krampetz, second in command to run the station in the interim; asked the Select Board to hire Krampetz as interim APAT Director until position is advertised and filled. Select Board agreed.

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Norwood thank the Town Administrator and her election staff for their hard work on June 11, 2024 elections.
- Roux commended her Wardens Virginia Shea and Shiela Conway.
- Winchell Jr. congratulated all the winners.

**11. PENDING**

n/a

**12. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

On Website

**13. MEMBERS PRESENT:** David Winchell, Jr., Tom McGurty, Ed Walsh, Daniel Norwood, Jon Denekamp and Jennifer Roux

**14. ATTENDANCE:** Joe Ruma, Joyce Bakshi, William Langley, Anita and Allan Hartford, Wayne Ham, Sam Norford, Doug Akeroyd, Mary Casper, Kassi Dobson, Dennis Reeves, Norm Lambert, Natalie Green, and numerous family members.