

**Town of Freedom
Selectmen's Meeting
Monday, June 2, 2025**

Present: Selectmen Les Babb, Alan Fall, Gary Williams, and Stacy Bolduc, Admin. Assistant, who recorded the minutes. This meeting was held at the Town Office. Babb called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Absent: Cunio and Mullen

Also present: Alan Libby, Scott Brooks, Rich Laferriere, Jen & Rich Ulrich

Review of Mail, Sign Manifests, Approval of Minutes

Les made a motion to reappoint Mark McConkey to the Lakes Region Planning Commission for a four-year term, motion seconded by Alan Fall; Motion carried.

Les made a motion to reappoint Scott Brooks for a two-year term to the TAC commencing on July 1, 2025 – July 1, 2027; Gary seconded the motion; Motion carried.

Department Head Updates

Transfer Station- Alan Libby reported that the busy season has started. Car counts: 600 + cars for Friday and Saturday. The compactor project is progressing. The electrician has been in contact with Atlantic, and they are discussing the electrical work.

The following numbers were reviewed:

\$19,000 for the steel needed to protect the concrete pads.

\$10,000 for the paving of the apron

The warrant article is short by \$1,000 for doing both the paving and the steel. The town received a \$5,000 grant from New Hampshire the Beautiful toward the purchase of the compactors.

Stacy confirmed with Monique (Vachon Clukay Auditors) that the money for hooking up the compactors wiring could be requested from the trustee of the Trust Funds, specifically the Transfer Station Equipment fund. The steel was an expense that was not factored into the project and is needed to protect the concrete.

Scott Books entered the meeting.

Les supports the paving the apron versus the steel. There was a continued discussion on the steel. Stacy suggested doing the steel because of the proposed tariffs. Trust Fund balances were reviewed. As of March, there was \$82,957 in the transfer station equipment CRF after the \$26,372 was added following the town meeting. Les supports paying for the electric wiring from the CRF, and the \$1,000 shortfall will be covered by the transfer station budget.

Highway- Dust control will go down on Wednesday, and they are still grading the roads. Crank sealing has

been done on Rice Hill and Moulton Rd. Ossipee Lake Rd will be done this week.

Alan F. made a motion to approve the minutes and non-public minutes of May 19, 2025; Gary seconded the motion; motion carried.

Old/New Business-

North Country Architect Contract- Alan F. gave a brief update regarding his conversations with Beth Miller from North Country Architects.

Les made a motion to authorize Alan Fall to sign the North Country Architect contract on behalf of the Selectboard, dated June 1st, motion seconded by Gary; Motion passed unanimously.

Alan Fall updated the Board; he got an email from Jason regarding the Masonic Hall remediation. He has opened up the ceiling downstairs to see how the existing framing will work with the steel remediation.

Jason questioned how the Board wants to manage any unforeseen problems that may arise. He questioned if they wanted them managed with change orders. His bid price includes any unforeseen issues. Alan suggested separating any of the unexpected issues to track them.

Alan Fall made a motion to appoint both Scott Pettengill and Anne Cunningham for a one-year term as an alternate for the ZBA, motion seconded by Gary; motion passed unanimously.

Les made a motion to enter nonpublic at 7:45 p.m. Under RSA 91-A:3, II (C) Reputation seconded by Alan;

Roll call vote:

Babb- yes

Fall- Yes

Willaims- Yes

Les made the motion to reconvene the public session, p.m. motion seconded by Alan; Motion carried.

The Board reconvened the public session at 7:55 p.m.

Shall the minutes be publicly disclosed: No

If no the following motion is required:

Motion made by Alan Seconded by Gary

_____ *Pending litigation*

 x _____ *Affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of the board or*

_____ *Render the proposed action ineffective*

_____ *Pertain to terrorism.*

Payroll Manifest – week ending –	05/28/2025	Approved
Accounts Payable Manifest – week ending	05/30/2025	Approved
Meeting Minutes	05/19/2025	Approved

Correspondence

BTLA Camp Huckins	Reviewed
Special Permit Danforth Ponds	Reviewed
TAC Member Reappointment	Reviewed
North Country Architect Contract Signed	Reviewed
Abatement 60-1-YIS05	Reviewed
Abatement Map 27 Lot 8	Reviewed
Abatement Map 28 Lot 19	Reviewed
Abatement Map 33 Lot 18	Reviewed
Abatement Map 27 Lot 12	Reviewed
Abatement Map 33 Lot 37	Reviewed
Abatement Map 37 Lot 24	Reviewed
Abatement Map 60-01 Lot N17	Reviewed
Yield Tax Levy Map 3 lot 79-29	Reviewed
Yield Tax Levy Map 4 lot 39	Reviewed
Yield Tax Levy Map 12 Lot 9	Reviewed
Yield Tax Levy Map 7 Lot 35	Reviewed
Yield Tax Levy Map 7 Lot 27	Reviewed
Yield Tax Levy Map 3 Lot 97-24	Reviewed

Being no further input, Fall made a motion to adjourn. Williams seconded. All in favor, the motion passed. Adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Stacy Bolduc, Town Administrator

Approved by the Board of Selectmen on _____:

Leslie R. Babb

Alan G. Fall

Gary R. Williams