

**CHARLESTOWN SELECTBOARD**  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2022 AT 6:30P.M.**  
**CHARLESTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM AND VIA**  
**ZOOM CONFERENCING**

Selectboard Present: Jeremy Wood (Chair), Jeff Lessels (Vice Chair), Shelly Blouin-Andrus, William Rescsanski, and Nancy Houghton

Staff Present: Kevin Brenker, Recording Secretary  
Kelly Wright, Selectmen's Office

Others Present: Highway Superintendent Keith Weed, Town Clerk/ Tax Collector Patricia Chaffee, Chief Patrick Connors, Fire Chief Mark LaFlam, Shawn O'Hearne, Sharon Francis, Joan Ilves,

Nancy Houghton motioned to enter 91-A-3 (c) Reputations non-public at 5:30 pm , 2<sup>nd</sup> by William Rescsanski

Roll call: Mr. Rescsanski (aye) Ms. Houghton (aye) Ms. Andrus (aye) Mr. Wood(aye). Mr. Lessels arrived after the roll call.

The meeting reconvened at 6:13pm. Chairman Wood called for a recess.

1. **Regular Meeting called to order** at 6:30PM (broadcast via Zoom)
2. Meeting open for public comment. None offered.
3. Taylor Hill Project discussion. Ms. Wright reported there are still two more easements needed before this is complete.
4. FEMA Update – Everything is submitted. Ms. Andrus discussed “other” potential FEMA money does not exist after discussions with another town.
5. Investment Policy – Mr. Rescanski discussed getting all stakeholders together for input. Updating the policy is currently under review. Revisit this topic on the meeting for June 29, 2022.
6. Coordination with Planning/Finance for Master Plan – Select Board to look at upcoming dates to meet with Planning/Finance. Wednesday July 13, 2022 is slated to meet @ 6:30PM. General discussion followed.
7. EX-OFFICIO REPORTS
  - a. Conservation Commission – Chairman Wood - trails needing work
  - b. ZBA – Ms. Houghton– no meeting
  - c. School Site Base – Ms. Andrus, one more meeting prior to summer break
  - d. Finance – Ms. Houghton – no meeting
  - e. Heritage – Mr. Rescanski – waiting on feedback
  - f. Planning Board – Mr. Rescanski – coordination of Master Plan, communicating to Select Board, meeting June 16 at town office.
  - g. Rec Committee – Ms. Andrus – Baseball/softball winding down. Pool opening tomorrow, June 16 for a school event. The season opens on June 21<sup>st</sup>. It will be open 7 days a week from 12-7PM. First movie night on June

25<sup>th</sup>. Old Home Day gearing up. Discussion of activities with high school and middle school.

- h. Town Hall Committee – Ms. Houghton – discussion of Old Town Hall front door policy; Charles Baraly commented from Zoom on topics including front doors. Paperwork is available to properly work on the doors. Rotary Club has been wanting to do some work. Discussion on funding followed.
- i. Motion Ms. Andrus to approve Ms. Emerson to apply for locality of Purchase program for computers 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Houghton. Roll Call: Mr. Rescanski (yes), Ms. Houghton (yes), Mr. Wood (yes), Mr. Lessels (yes), Ms. Andrus (yes). *All in favor.*

- 8. Mr. Rescanski motioned to approve minutes of the meetings as posted. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nancy.  
Roll call: Mr. Rescanski (yes), Ms. Houghton (yes), Ms. Andrus (yes), Mr. Wood(yes), Mr. Lessels (yes) – *All in favor.*
- 9. Consent Agenda – Ms. Andrus motioned to approve the consent agenda with the addition of Great River Hydro abatement. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Houghton.  
Roll call: Mr. Rescanski (\*yes), Ms. Houghton (yes), Ms. Andrus (yes), Mr. Wood(yes), Mr. Lessels (yes). *All in favor.*
- 10. Discussion of trees in town. Public input from Ms. Sharon Francis - comments included what parties have the right to the “green space areas.” Getting clarification of deeding to the green space is warranted. Discussion of tree pruning, maintenance, replanting. Ms. Andrus suggested bringing the Tree Committee to present status of this topic to the Select Board. Chairman Wood asked Ms. Wright to bring all stakeholders together at next regular meeting.
- 11. Administrator’s Report –
- 12. Other Business – discussion of meeting with auditor re: financial policies; deeded properties (abutters, pricing)
- 13. Ms. Andrus thanks the Fire Department for their help last week.

General discussion of overtime at Police Dept

Discussion of fuel oil – bids could go out to vendors this summer. Collaboration with schools and other towns could potentially affect pricing.

Nancy discussed the topic of car washes, no change in previous decision.

Mr. Lessels motioned to enter into nonpublic RSA 91-A:3 (C) reputations at 7:15 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Houghton.

Roll call: Mr. Rescsanski (yes), Ms. Houghton (yes), Ms. Andrus (yes), Mr. Wood (yes), Mr. Lessels (yes). *All in favor*

The meeting reconvened at 7:21 pm.



Ms. Andrus motioned to enter RSA 91-A:3 II (b-Hiring) at 7:22 pm 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Houghton

Roll call: Mr. Rescanski (yes), Ms. Houghton (yes), Ms. Andrus (yes), Mr. Wood (yes), Mr. Lessels (yes) *All in favor*

The meeting reconvened at 7:30 pm.

Ms. Andrus motioned to enter RSA 91-A:3 II (b-Hiring) at 7:22 pm 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Houghton

Roll call: Mr. Rescanski (yes), Ms. Houghton (yes), Ms. Andrus (yes), Mr. Wood (yes), Mr. Lessels (yes) *All in favor*

The meeting reconvened at 8:00 pm.

Ms. Andrus motioned to enter into nonpublic RSA 91-A:3 (C- Reputations) at 8:01 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Houghton.

Roll call: Mr. Rescanski (yes), Ms. Houghton (yes), Ms. Andrus (yes), Mr. Wood (yes), Mr. Lessels (yes) *All in favor*

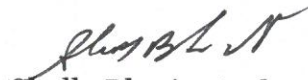
The meeting reconvened at 8:30 pm.

Ms. Andrus motioned to adjourn at 8:31 pm 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Rescanski. *All in favor*

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kevin Brenker, Recording Secretary



William Rescanski



Shelly Blouin-Andrus

Nancy Houghton

Jeff Lessels



Jeremy Wood

(Note: these are unapproved meeting minutes. Any corrections will be made at the next Selectboard meeting on June 22, 2022)

