

SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Stoddard Town Hall
April 10, 2023

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC HEARING AND THE BUDGET HEARING
APPROXIMATELY 8:30 PM

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPOINTMENTS

Compliance Officer –Harry Power - Open Issues and permits
Fire Chief – Open issues

TO BE SIGNED/APPROVED

1. A/R and/or P/R Manifest
2. Minutes of 03/27/2023 (Approve at meeting)
3. Non-Public meeting minutes
4. Tax Credit Application

PUBLIC COMMENT

OLD BUSINESS

1. Schedule additional Public Hearings?

NEW BUSINESS

1. Fee waiver for Town Hall rental
2. Contract for Abenaki Environmental Services
3. Gould House Repairs – update and estimates if available

MISC. CORRESPONDENCE

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR NOTES –

NON-PUBLIC SESSION – if necessary

ADJOURNMENT



Article 01 Elections

To choose by ballot all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 02 Adopt RSA 466:30-a Dog Control Law

To be chosen by ballot. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 466:30-a which make it unlawful for any dog to run at large, except when accompanied by the owner or custodian, and when used for hunting, herding, supervised competition and exhibition or training for such? Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 03 Operating Budget - Town Administration

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the \$653,815.00 for general municipal operations, This article does not include special or individual articles addressed. Majority vote required. Recommended by Board of Selectmen.

Article 04 Highways

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$280,300.00 for winter and summer maintenance, emergencies, and planned repairs of Town roads and bridges. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 05 Solid Waste

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$263,900.00 for all recycling, solid waste and related expenses for the ensuing year for the Stoddard Transfer Station, use of the Washington Transfer Station by certain residents and for hazardous waste disposal services provided by the City of Keene and Town of Washington. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 06 Fire Department

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the the sum of \$131,800.00 for the operating budget of the Stoddard Fire & Rescue Department. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 07 Police Department

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$70,231.00 for the operating budget of the Stoddard Police Department. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 08 Davis Public Library

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$48,913.00 for the operation of the Davis Public Library. [Per RSA202-A:11, the funds raised and appropriated, other than payroll and utilities, shall be paid over to the Library Trustees pursuant to a payment schedule as agreed upon by the Library Trustees and the Selectmen.] Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.



Article 09 Lake Host Program

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,500.00 for the Lay Monitoring, Lake Host Programs and water testing. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 10 Cemeteries

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,595.00 for the operating budget of the cemeteries. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 11 Ambulance

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 for providing ambulance services and other related services. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 12 Conservation Commission

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 for the operating budget of the Conservation Commission. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 13 Emergency Management

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,400.00 for the operating budget of Emergency Management. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 14 FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Fire/Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve fund previously established. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 15 Home Healthcare

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800, to Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services to support the continuance of visiting nurse and home health services being provided to the residents of Stoddard. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 16 Monadnock Family Services

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,717.00, for Monadnock Family Services, a non-profit agency which provides quality mental health services to residents of Stoddard, which is requesting said amount to help underwrite the cost of services provided to residents. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.



Article 17 Community Kitchen

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00, for support of The Community Kitchen, Inc., located in Keene, New Hampshire. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 18 Red Cross

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000, for support of the New Hampshire Region of the American Red Cross. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 19 Southwestern Community Services

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,549.00, for support of Southwestern Community Services. [Explanation: A non-profit agency which facilitates fuel assistance, weatherization and other related services to residents of Stoddard.] Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 20 100 Hundred Nights Shelter

To raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00, for the support of Hundred Nights, Inc. located in Keene, New Hampshire, for services provided to Stoddard residents. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 21 Building CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000, to be placed in the Building Expendable Trust, established in 2013. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 22 Roads and Bridges CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000, to be placed into the Bridge and Roadway Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 23 Emergency Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in the Emergency Capital Reserve Fund, previously established, for the purpose of funding unexpected losses or repairs to town buildings or equipment that require immediate attention and cost over \$5,000. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.



Article 24 Con Com Land Purchase

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$63,000.00 in support of the purchase of 40 acres, more or less, of land located on the shore of Highland Lake, referred to as the Little Big Forest with monies expected to be returned to the General Fund no later than December 31, 2024. Majority Vote Required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 25 Community Volunteer Transportation

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the purpose of funding the Community Volunteer Transportation Company. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 26 250th Celebration

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000 for the purpose of funding the town's 250th birthday celebration, which shall be non-lapsing until the start of fiscal year 2025. The total budget for the celebration is \$36,000, with expenses beginning in 2023. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 27 Establish Recreation Trust Fund

To see if the town will vote to establish a Parks and Recreation Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for maintenance of municipally owned parks and support of community-wide recreational and entertainment events and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,683.00 to be placed in this fund from the existing Parks and Recreation Fund. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Majority Vote Required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 28 Readopt the Optional Veterans Tax Credit

Shall the town readopt the OPTIONAL VETERANS TAX CREDIT in accordance with RSA 72:28, II, for an annual tax credit on residential property of \$500.00? Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 29 Readopt All Veterans Tax Credit

Shall the town readopt the ALL VETERANS TAX CREDIT in accordance with RSA 72:28-b, for an annual tax credit on residential property which shall be equal to the same amount as the standard or optional veterans tax credit voted by the town under RSA 72:28? Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 30 Transfer Station Fees

To see if the town will institute a pay schedule at the Transfer Station for all "Construction and Demolition" materials, including but not limited to tires, appliances, furniture, mattresses, construction debris. Excluded from the pay schedule would be household waste and recyclable materials (e.g. paper, cardboard, plastic, metal and aluminum cans). The fee schedule will be set by the Select Board and be commensurate with the fee schedule of surrounding towns. Submitted by Petition. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.



Article 31 Other

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.