

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Meeting Minutes
October 7, 2021
6:00 PM
Selectmen's Conference Room**

Call to Order: First Selectman Bud Knorr called the meeting to order at 6pm.

Members Present: First Selectman Bud Knorr, Selectmen Tim Potrikus and Tim Keeney, Assistant Finance Director Brian Wissinger. DPW Director Todd Rolland, Town Sanitarian Steven Jacobs, Library Chairman Andy Philips, Town Attorney Carl Landolina. Also in attendance Bill Meier and Ralph Williams

Pledge of Allegiance: All members participated.

Staffing - Library Director: Chairman Andy Philips came to the Board of Selectmen with a recommendation to hire Joanne Nichting. Mr. Knorr recommended that he meet with the candidate and he will make his recommendation to the Board with regards to Salary and recommendation to hire.

Eagle Scout Projects: Mr. Rolland presented the three Eagle Scout candidate projects to the Board for approval.

1. Benches at Heard Lake

Mr. Potrikus made a motion to approve the installation of the Benches at Heard Lake for purposes of discussion, seconded by Mr. Keeney. The motion passed.

2. Kiosk at Field Road Park

Mr. Potrikus made a motion to approve the Kiosk at Field Road Park for purposes of discussion, seconded by Mr. Keeney. The motion passed.

Mr. Potrikus suggested that some Eagle Scout branding go on the Kiosk could help stop vandalism.

3. Gaga Pit (Octagon shaped ball pit)

Mr. Keeney made a motion to approve the Gaga pit at Field Road Park, seconded by Mr. Potrikus. The motion passed.

Set Town Meeting Date – Separation Payouts:

Mr. Keeney made a motion to set the Town meeting date on 10/21/21 at 6:00pm, seconded by Mr. Potrikus. The motion passed.

Proposed Ordinance – Reserve for Separation Benefits Fund & Set Public Hearing:

Mr. Marinaccio presented the proposed Ordinance for Separation Benefits Fund and explained how the restricted fund would work, the Board of Finance, the Actuary and the auditors are in favor of this Ordinance. Attorney Landolina is in favor of the wording of the Ordinance. A lengthy discussion followed. Item Tabled for Labor Attorney review.

WPCA – De-Chlorination Process:

Mr. Knorr Made a motion to add the agenda item WPCA – De-Chlorination Process to go into Executive Session, Mr. Keeney seconded. Mr. Potrikus opposed.

*Mr. Knorr made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:35 pm those in executive session will be Steve Jacobs, Mike Marinaccio, Brian Wissinger, Attorney Carl Landolina and Board of Finance member Bill Meier, seconded by Mr. Keeney. Tim Potrikus opposed going into Executive Session.
Executive Session ended at 7:21pm*

Authorization of Scheduled Payments:

Mr. Potrikus made a motion to approve the payments in the amount of \$257,117.56, seconded by Mr. Keeney. The motion passed.

Adjournment:

Mr. Keeney made a motion to adjourn at 7:21pm, seconded by Mr. Potrikus. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Kim LaFleur

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Video of this meeting can be found at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uWqywN77sMI>