# TOWN OF SOMERS

#### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

### **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

# Thursday, March 20, 2025, at 6:00 pm Town Hall Auditorium

- A.) CALL TO ORDER: First Selectman Tim Keeney called the meeting to order at 6:00pm
  - 1. Pledge of Allegiance: All members participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.
  - 2. Roll Call: First Selectman Tim Keeney, Selectman Bill Meier, Trooper Justin Pruess and Police Administrator Kim Littig, Chief David Lenart, Land Use and Public Works Director Todd Rolland. Selectman Bob Schmidt was not available.

#### **B.) PUBLIC COMMENT:**

1. Public Comment: None

# C.) PRESENTATIONS BY THE FIRST SELECTMAN

First Selectman Tim Keeney has announced that the Board of Finance will hold a public hearing regarding the budget on April 22, 2025, at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium. Additionally, Mr. Keeney indicated that the Fire Chief will address the audience this evening concerning the four structure fires that have occurred in Somers in recent weeks.

#### D.) CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Board and Commissions: Appointments/Resignations
  - a) Appointment of Elaine Freedman to the Cemetery Commission with a term expiring on 12/22/29.

Mr. Meier made a motion to appoint Elaine Friedman to the Cemetery Commission with a term expiring on 12.22.29, seconded by Mr. Keeney. The motion unanimously passed.

b) Appointment of Shawn Curtis to the Zoning Board of Appeals as an Alternate member with a term expiring on 12/22/26

Mr. Meier made a motion to Appoint Shawn Curtis to the Zoning Board of Appeals as an alternate member with a term expiring on 12.22.26, seconded by Mr. Keeney. The motion unanimously passed.

# E.) OPPORTUNITY TO ADD URGENT AGENDA ITEMS

#### F.) FINANCE

- a) Transfers and Appropriations None
- b) CFO Finance Report/Updates Mr. Wissinger provided and update on the handouts of the monthly budget report.
- c) Presentation of Scheduled Payments

Mr. Meier made a motion to approve the Scheduled Payments in the amount of \$312,448.12, seconded by Mr. Keeney. The motion unanimously passed.

- G.) UPDATES FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSION: None
- H.) PENDING BUSINESS None

#### I.) NEW BUSINESS

 Local Traffic Authority Request: Request Approval of the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Soapstone Mountain Trail Race on Sunday, May 18, 2025, from 9am – 2pm for approximately 100 runners. Trooper Justin Preuss and Kim Littig Mr. Meier made a motion approve the Local Traffic Authority Request for the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Soapstone Mountain Trail Race on Sunday, May 18, 2025, from 9am – 2pm. Seconded by Mr. Keeney. The motion unanimously passed.

- Fire Department Staffing Request: Request to hire Sean Kodzis as a Part time
  Firefighter/EMT with a starting hourly rate of \$25.06 with a start date of
  March3/34/25. Chief David Lenart
  Mr. Meier made a motion to approve the staffing request to hire Sean Kodzis as a
  part-time Firefighter/EMT with an hourly rate of \$25.06, seconded by Mr. Keeney.
  The motion unanimously passed.
- 3. Accept resignation of Kyle Young, Maintainer Department of Public Works effective March 21, 2025. **Todd Rolland**Mr. Meier made a motion to accept the resignation of Kyle Young, Maintainer of the Public Works Department effective March 21, 2025, seconded by Mr. Keeney. The motion unanimously passed.
- 4. Adopt the Local Option Allowed Under Public Act 25-2 Section 7 to Increase the Depreciation Table for Motor Vehicle Valuation. Brian Wissinger

  Mr. Meier made a motion to approve adoption of the local option allowed under Public Act25-2, Section 7 (b) to elect to apply a modified schedule of depreciation as outlined in Public Act 25-2, Section 7 (b) with respect to motor vehicles based upon the manufacturer's suggested retail price of such motor vehicles, provided no motor vehicle shall be assessed at an amount less than \$500., seconded by Mr. Keeney. The motion unanimously passed.
- Approval of Minutes of February 27, 2025, Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

  The Board of Selectmen waives the reading of the minutes of the Regular

  Meeting from February 27, 2025, and that minutes of said meeting be approved.

Mr. Meier made a motion to approve the minutes of March 20, 2025, as presented, seconded by Mr. Keeney. The motion unanimously passed.

#### K.) ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Meier made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:47pm, seconded by Mr. Keeney. The motion unanimously passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.