

**MINUTES OF SELECT BOARD MEETING**  
**Hope Select Board**  
**March 27, 2024**  
**5:30 p.m.**  
**Hope Town Office**

**Board Members Present:**

- Sarah Ann Smith, Charlie Weidman, Mike Brown, Wayne Luce, and Michael Schultz

**Others Present:**

- Samantha Mank

**Call to Order:**

- The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Sarah.

**Agenda Adjustments/Approval:**

- Charlie made a motion to approve the agenda as written. It was seconded by Michael.  
**Motion passed 5-0**

**Public Comment:**

- None

**Minutes:**

- March 12, 2024: Charlie made a motion to approve the 3/12/24 minutes with one spelling error correction. It was seconded by Michael.  
**Motion passed 4-0-1 (Michael)**
- March 19, 2024: Charlie made a motion to approve the 3/19/24 minutes as written. It was seconded by Michael.  
**Motion passed 4-0-1 (Mike)**

**Warrants 73, 74, & 75:**

- Charlie made a motion to approve and sign the Treasurers and Payroll warrants 73, 74, and 75. It was seconded by Michael.  
**Motion passed 5-0**

**New Business:**

- Cemetery Committee Application for Karen Orhon: Charlie made a motion to appoint Karen Orhon to the Cemetery Committee for the remainder of the term expiring on June 30, 2025. It was seconded by Wayne.  
**Motion passed 5-0**

**Old Business:**

- None

**Other Business:**

None

**Town Administrator Report:**

- The laptops for the Select Board have been ordered. The expected delivery date is April 2<sup>nd</sup>. I will get the necessary software downloaded on to each laptop before distributing them.
- An ad was placed to receive bids for the new winter maintenance contract for municipal facilities. No bids were received.
- The General Assistance Audit was conducted by the State on March 19<sup>th</sup>. The Town was found to be in compliance.
- Nomination papers are available. The deadline is April 12<sup>th</sup>. Crystal Robinson
- The CEO and I will be meeting with attorneys next week regarding a series of violations on a parcel on Loon Lane.
- The Code Enforcement Officer had issued a Notice of Violation for a parcel on Ludwig Rd.
- There were 7 building permits and 1 plumbing permit since the 3/12/24 Select Board meeting:
  - Chad Connors            1011 Camden Rd.      SFD
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  - Conrad Poirier            26 Penny Lane        Deck
  - Crystal Robinson        21 Gurney Hill Rd.    Home Occupation
  - Valerie Robinson        31 Gurney Hill Rd.    Home Occupation
  - Dan Ford                    267 Camden Rd.       Accessory Structure
- I will be out of the office from April 3<sup>rd</sup> through April 10<sup>th</sup>. Chelsea will be here for the April 9<sup>th</sup> Select Board meeting.
- There are 917 RE accounts for 2024, totaling \$1,477,055.29. The second half is due on April 30, 2024.
- There are 14 RE accounts for 2023, totaling \$33,293.25. Unpaid 2023 real estate taxes will automatically foreclose on February 11, 2025, if the accounts are not paid in full.

**Adjournment:**

- Charlie made a motion to adjourn at 5:34 p.m. It was seconded by Wayne.  
**Motion Passed 5-0**