

Town of Richmond Selectboard Meeting Minutes of August 15, 2022

Members Present: Bard Hill, David Sander, Jay Furr, Jeff Forward, June Heston

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Josh Arneson, Town Manager; Duncan Wardwell, Assistant to the Town Manager; Linda Parent, Town Clerk; Benjamin Herrick, Interim Police Chief

Others Present: Meeting was recorded by MMCTV, Allen Knowles, Angela Cote, Ann Naumann, Anthony Cambridge, Cara LaBounty, Christopher Cole, Connie Van Eeghen, Gretchen Paulsen, Laurie Dana, Lisa Kory, Mary Houle, Michele Morris, Rod West Susan Wells, Tom Lyle, Wafic Faour, Warren Myers

Call to Order: 7:00pm

Welcome by: Heston

Public Comment:

Houle: I spoke to Josh about a couple of errors found on the new website. Has the Town approached George Gibbs about his property?

Heston: I contacted them, and they were not willing to pursue that project.

Houle: I will never support another parking lot. Keep in mind the neighbors when we talk about parking lots on Cochran Rd.

Furr: There will be a hearing about the Hillview Road cut. The State is running a hearing here about the wetlands review this Wednesday at 5 pm.

Angela: I have a prepared statement. There is new Zoning language coming from the Planning Commission. They are considering creating an airport overlay district upon request of the Burlington Airport. It would require the owners of 11 residential properties to complete an FAA form anytime they want to alter structures on their property. I proposed questions to the Planning Commission and Airport representative and their answers did not convey confidence that this impact is being considered. The map is unenforceable. It is unnecessary. How can we impose these regulations without the ability to oversee and enforce. I am one of the property owners and it would negatively impact an easement as current ordinance protects air space above 30 feet. I contacted Williston and they do not have an airport overlay map. as planes approach runway 133. They have a simple statement for all property owners in the area approaching runway 133. They also have a 100-foot height requirement where or not they should file that form. The airspace above my property is already protected. There is nothing to change but it affects me, I do not want it, nor is it necessary.

Furr: Angela brings up some really good points. The Planning Commission needs to hash this out further. The entire property should not be considered if only a small portion

is part of the overlay district. The upcoming Planning Commission meeting is on the 17th.

Houle: I stacked and restacked all the lumber and separated so there is airspace between.

Forward: Is that lumber still there? I will bring it to my barn to store them. I will take pictures for inventory.

Additions or Deletions to Agenda: None

Items for Presentation or Discussion with those present

Presentation from Chittenden Solid Waste District regarding Materials Recovery Facility

Morris: We are presenting to Selectboards and will be holding Public Forums as well (https://www.richmondvt.gov/fileadmin/files/Selectboard/Meetings/3a_20220802-CSWD_PowerPoint_Final.pdf). This is about a new materials recovery facility. We are a Municipal District, CSWD. A MRF is a Material Recovery Facility. CSWD owns MRF building, property, and equipment. We need a new MRF for many reasons including at maximum capacity and losing valuable recyclables. The new MRF will provide decades of affordable, in-State processing. The MRF will continue to preserve landfill space and benefit workers. There is not cost to taxpayers as CSWD will pay back the loan over 25 years through operational revenue. CSWD is seeking voter approval during this year's November General Election to borrow \$22 million to build the new MRF. To vote visit the My Voter webpage after August 31st to request a ballot or vote in-person at your regular polling place. For more information and to stay up to date visit <http://www.cswd.net/mrf-bond>.

Furr: The CSWD ballot is not mailed out with the General Election.

Morris: We will do direct mailers and posting information and will provide the template for how to get the ballot.

Parent: The Town Clerks were surprised that it was added on to the General Election. We have a 75-80% rate in Richmond and we need extra ballots.

Morris: We will compensate postage but not so much as a per mailer.

Hill: How will this expense influence the CSWD fees.

Morris: It does not impact CSWD annual expenses as the MRF is budgeted to cover expenses through operating revenue. We have some debt service that is being funded to cover that. The investments we would need to put into the current MRF would out-strip the revenue provided. We can provide actual numbers from our models. Our Board will meet to decide what to do with the old MRF and equipment.

Parent: Will you send out a postcard before the ballots come out. People might think they will have to pay for it.

Hill: We need to give the context of the \$22 million for the MRF as opposed to a school budget.

Morris: There will be no impact on taxes and absolutely it is a green initiative.

Announcement of closure of Cochran Rd. at the railroad crossing in Jonesville on August 23 and 24

Heston: VTrans and the Railroad will be replacing the railroad crossing on Cochran Rd. This will necessitate a road closure in that area of Cochran Rd. on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 23 and 24.

Arneson: The Jonesville end of Cochran Rd will be closed to address the crossing before Rt. 2 project. It will take about two days and they put up signs last week. They have been in touch with Pete about paving. VTrans is coordinating between the different projects along Rt. 2.

Consideration of approving a contractor for the Bridge St. bridge repair

Billingsley: East Engineering looked at a quick turnaround for the bid phase based on the time of year. The lowest and only bid came in from CCS Construction with about 3 minutes to spare. It was higher than expected (\$93,000) but it is a niche project with keeping the lane open, the sidewalk, and the unique bridge and color. October is penciled in to be able to start the bridge. They will do it in two weeks. There are only a few contractors in the State who can do a repair like this.

Arneson: VLCT stated that bridges like this are not covered under our insurance services. They are helping us connect with the company's insurance for the driver. They have the police report and bid.

Billingsley: The accident was a Waterman's excavator being towed on a Mcelwain Contracting truck.

LaBounty: In a worse case scenario we could tap into the Bridge & Culvert fund.

Arneson: Yes, or unassigned funds for Highway so that it is covered until we get paid back from insurance.

Hill: Is there an alternative to not do the repair?

Billingsley: It is more of an aesthetic fix as bridges have built in redundancies. I am not sure of the insurance consequences if you do not fix it for a year or so. Most iron bridges have hit and run scenarios where there is nothing to do.

Hill: The bridge will not be closed because it is not structural unsound.

Houle: Waiting does not get us anything so let's get it done.

Forward moved to award the contract for the repair of the Bridge St. bridge to CCS Construction in an amount not to exceed \$93,000. Furr seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Forward, Furr, Heston, Hill, Sander in favor. Motion approved.

Consideration of making an appointment to the American Rescue Plan Act Committee

Heston: Tom Lyle has applied to be appointed to the American Rescue Plan Act Committee. His application and letter of interest are included in the packet.

Lyle: I look forward to contributing some time to our community.

Furr moved to appoint Tom Lyle to the ARPA Committee to fill a vacant seat with a term expiring in 2023. Forward seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Forward, Furr, Heston, Hill, Sander in favor. Motion approved.

Consideration of approving additional ARPA funds for American Rescue Plan Act mailing

Furr: The ARPA Committee is holding 3 public forums in September (10, 13, 28) to solicit input from our residents. We decided to out-source the cost of printing for the cards we are mailing out to residents.

LaBounty: This color flyer has index sized cards for suggestions to drop off at Town Center. It also includes instructions about the public hearings and online options for submitting suggestions. It will cost a little bit more with the color printing and postage. We are sending two cards to each address.

Furr: We will be at Richmond Farmers Market this Friday and directing people to the mailings.

LaBounty: The online format requires you to confirm that you are a Richmond resident.

Hill: What is a plan to synthesize the different input.

LaBounty: We will consolidate all the data into a spreadsheet.

Furr: We will consolidate opinions to summarize information like "seventeen people wanted a hockey rink" but that doesn't mean that is what we will recommend.

Forward moved to approve a total of \$3,000 in ARPA funds for an informational mailing regarding ARPA. This motion replaces the motion made on July 5, 2022. Hill seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Forward, Furr, Heston, Hill, Sander in favor. Motion approved.

Consideration of entering into an agreement for the FY23 Grants in Aid

Arneson: This is money made available annually by the State in compliance with the Municipal Roads General Permit for mitigating storm water runoff from roads into rivers. This grant does come with a 20% match but will provide \$35,500 of funds toward \$44,375 worth of work. This is work that is in the budget and we plan to do some road segments every year. The grant paperwork is included in the packet.

Hill moved to approve entering into an agreement with the State of Vermont for the FY23 Grants in Aid program. Forward seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Forward, Furr, Heston, Hill, Sander in favor. Motion approved.

Consideration of approving a liquor license

Heston: This liquor license is for Vermont Fine LLC which will be located at 1840 West Main St. at the former location of the Kitchen Table. The application is for first- and third-class licenses. First Class licenses are to serve beer and wine on site. Third Class licenses are to serve spirits on site. The application is included in the packet.

Hill moved to approve the first- and third-class liquor licenses for Vermont Fine LLC doing business as Vermont Fine. Furr seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Forward, Furr, Heston, Hill, Sander in favor. Motion approved.

Consideration of approving a purchase order for Breathing Air Compressor system

Arneson: Our current system for the Fire Department is 20 years old and no replacement parts are available. We need new equipment to fill the breathing air bottles and we called around to Milton to confirm comparable cost of \$45,729.00. We are looking into adjusting the capital fund. We had planned to purchase a Brush Truck in FY23 for \$200,000. In discussions with Chief Gile, it turns out that the Brush Trucks are over a year out for delivery. A new brush truck will not show up in this budget year. We can still carry out the capital plan with no change to money raised from taxes from the capital plan that was recently approved.

LaBounty: We should review this on our Capital Plan for future purchases and the length of service.

Arneson: We will look at the Capital Plan and adjust every year. The current Capital Plan made this decision easier.

Furr moved to approve Purchase Order #4274 to Reynolds Supplies for an air bottle filling system in an amount not to exceed \$45,729.00. Hill seconded

Roll Call Vote: Forward, Furr, Heston, Hill, Sander in favor. Motion approved.

Consideration of approval of Operations and Maintenance Agreements for projects at Andrews Community Forest

Arneson: VYCC actually had two Operatives and Maintenance agreements to have completed for work in 2021 and 2022. I was informed by Kristen Balschunat of the VYCC that the agreement that was signed for 2021 had errors on it and a corrected version needs to be approved and signed. There is also an agreement for the current

year's work which is requested to be approved and signed. Both agreements are included in the packet.

Houle: How much is this going to cost with or without grants?

Arneson: It costs the Town nothing. VYCC is getting paid \$6,100 for water-quality crews to perform yearly work. The grant also covered the culvert as well the 24 water bars.

Houle: The VYCC pays nothing in taxes.

Forward moved to approve the Operations and Maintenance Plan with the Department of Environmental Conservation for trail work that was performed in the Andrews Community Forest in 2021. Hill seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Forward, Furr, Heston, Hill, Sander in favor. Motion approved.

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Consideration of approving an increase in the cost for architectural services for the Town Center Building project

Forward: The Selectboard had previously approved entering into an agreement with Black River Design for architectural services for the Town Center Building project in an amount not to exceed \$50,000. This is due in part to the level of detail needed from each subcontractor to provide a detailed estimate for a bond vote, and to rising prices in general from subcontractors who are in short supply and high demand lately. We received more detailed pricing from subcontractors that determined the price would need to increase to \$65,000. Josh & I met with the architect, John Hemmelgarn, and The Town Center and Library Committee reviewed this at their last meeting and recommends moving forward with the increased cost.

LaBounty: Did you do a bid process the first time around?

Forward: We looked for qualifications for design and selected Black River Design. They had lower hourly rates compared to Breadloaf, the other firm we interviewed. It is atypical for a school or a municipal project to do that without a bond. We need to do a conceptual design before a bond and then do a final design. Breadloaf did a building assessment for us back in 2018.

LaBounty: How much of that \$65,000 is for landscape architecture? We budget \$1,500 per year on landscaping.

Forward: About \$12,500 for a multi-million-dollar project on the site that includes the campus with the Library.

LaBounty: We spend a lot of money on designs.

Houle: Please ask for trees that are suitable to the campus like fruit trees or bushes. It has to provide trees that provide more than raking up leaves.

Forward: We have a robust community engagement in the Town Center and Library buildings. The design team will provide everything.

Furr moved to increase the not to exceed amount for an agreement with Black River Design for architectural services for the Town Center Building project to \$65,000 with funds to come from the Town Center Reserve Fund. This motion replaces the motion that was made on July 5, 2022. Hill seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Forward, Furr, Heston, Hill, Sander in favor. Motion approved.

Update on the Huntington Rd. section of the sidewalk scoping study

Cole: The Transportation Committee looked at a variety of alternatives. This project links Johnny Brook trail where the Hinesburg Rd sidewalk ends for bicycles and pedestrians. The Farr's had concerns about transportation to link the Village with Johnny Brook and near misses with farm equipment. The Transportation Committee developed a no-build initiative, but we need to take Farr's concerns in a holistic fashion along those S-curves for a safety review. We are going to take a more comprehensive look at in conjunction with the Regional Planning Commission.

Forward: This is more complicated than the sidewalks designated for Bridge St and up to Valley View. There is no action to do tonight. Is there a sense of when these projects might happen.

Cole: We need to get a grant approved from VTrans. We are looking for a debrief on our previous application. We have feasibility studies that we will be looking into next year.

Furr: The section between Valley View and the Cumberland Farms is terrifying.

Houle: Absent a walking monitor, we need to consider many safety concerns.

Follow up on exploring options for Police Department structure

Heston: I met with Bard, Josh, Interim Police Chief, Benjamin Herrick, along with Hinesburg's Selectboard members (Merrily Lovell, Phil Pouech), Town Manager (Todd Odit) and Police Chief (Anthony Cambridge). We made some headway. Trevor Whipple, the law enforcement consultant from VLCT was also present. We are talking about next steps. It is suggested we come together as a full board separate from other regular meetings.

Arneson: Todd Odit and I did some research on a joint municipal district. Attorney Joe McLean has experience with this topic and would be willing to talk with the Selectboards. Attorney McLean has suggested that the joint session be held in executive session as he would technically be providing legal advice to both towns. I think we should do it in open session as gathering general information to formalize statutes. He would be willing to do that.

Hill: I also discussed this with Charlie Baker of the Regional Planning Commission. This resonates with dispatching and other issues, so he is willing to participate. We should be open to an Attorney representing both Towns.

Heston: In an Open Meeting, we cannot discuss how it might pertain to the Richmond or Hinesburg Police Departments. The conversations will need to be about the process.

Forward: We should share the costs of the Attorney.

Arneson: We want to track everything and have an agreement.

LaBounty: Are we looking at both options of a united district or just hiring them as a service for Richmond.

Heston: This initial meeting will give us that information. There is not police department that can take on another Town as they do not have enough coverage. We have not yet made a determination. There are more than two lanes.

Naumann: Are you still exploring this topic?

Heston: Yes, we are bringing to two Selectboards together to explore if this is a topic we want to pursue.

Naumann: The Richmond Racial Equity group has been working hard to provide local input to our Police. We do not want to lose that input.

West: Are we still exploring just hiring a new Chief of Police?

Heston: Yes. We do not have all the information yet until we have the joint meeting. We are not rushing into anything, and we have an Interim Chief.

West: We should post the job for Chief. We need a full time Chief until we decide how we proceed. You need to serve the Town while you follow this other thread.

Heston: I have considered what is right for Richmond at this time. We have an opportunity to ask questions. We know that policing is different today compared to 2-3 years ago.

Houle: If we had a full Police force then we would not be having these discussions.

Forward: Another example might be the Essex Junction and Essex Town Police collaboration.

Heston: We have many questions we have to ask first as it pertains to regionalization.

Forward: There will be lots of discussions which is why it should be in an Open Meeting.

Heston: There is no change that will eliminate jobs for police officers in this Town. It sounds like we want an Open Meeting

Arneson: Maybe Aug 29 would work for a meeting with our Richmond, Hinesburg, and other members.

Discussion of request to create a policy to include the Itemized Property Costs sheets for each property in the property file

LaBounty: The assessor's files and cover sheet are public record. If someone wants to appeal the assessed value, then they need more than the cover sheet. They need to argue with what their assessed value should be compared to fair market value. You need comparables in your own Town, so I have to do research. It is more transparent to have both of these pieces of paper in the file. I would like the Town to have those detailed sheets in each file. If I come in to see what the assessors have changed, I can see the pre- and post-adjustment. Residents need that data to check their own files. Since we are doing a reappraisal then it will accurately update.

Hill: The two we are talking about are the Property Record Card and the Itemized Property Cost Sheet.

LaBounty: Those two should match.

Arneson: A lot of those changes are on the Property Record Card. Talking with Lisa Truchon, the Itemized Property Cost sheet is not saved in the system each time a property is re-valued. They are only available when the Assessor is calculating the cost of the property to generate a Property Record Card.

LaBounty: The unit cost is not available on the Property Record Card. Once a property is reappraised, these rates are locked in even though the Fair Market Value might change. You want a base for everyone and then re-appraise. Be as transparent as you can be. When they do a reappraisal, they print 2-3 additional pages and then file them.

Houle: It should be there anyways. It is off-putting to have to ask for it.

West: NEMRC left me a sheet about a month ago that told me I could log in to look at my appraisal. It only came up with a diagram and the property code. It didn't have the full information from the 1st sheet or the 2nd sheet. There is a lot more information I would like to look at for public records. I am not sure what we are currently making available, but it looks like slim pickings. I suggest you talk to Lisa Truchon and come back at the next meeting.

Forward: Moving on, we should consider what we keep as a paper copy versus a digital copy.

Arneson: The Property Record Card is currently available online. Getting a .pdf of a Itemized Property Cost sheet online would be a bit more labor intensive. It would be easier to print it out and put it in the file.

LaBounty: I want to make the process transparent for all the residents of Richmond. I think this part is necessary even if the lister/assessor does not agree. NEMRC provides helpful tips for determining value.

Hill: I would like to hear the process and work required to get this done.

Heston: We should talk about the process to digitize it as well. The next step will have Lisa come to a meeting to help us determine how we proceed.

Update on traffic calming efforts on Cochran Rd.

Arneson: We are looking at the western end of Cochran Rd and applying the 3 phases of traffic calming of education, temporary changes, and permanent changes like speed bumps. We have looked at many pedestrian and bike suggestions to help develop Cochran Rd. We also talked about the eastern end of Cochran Rd. The Richmond Police Department have continued directed patrols mostly on the west end of Cochran Rd. The speed cart records vehicle speed on the west end of Cochran Rd. the weekend of August 13 – 14. It will begin recording the speed of cars entering Cochran Rd. from the Round Church area and will then be turned around to record speeds of cars travelling from the 45 mph section of Cochran Rd. into the 25 mph zone on the west end of Cochran Rd. The Feedback lights have been turned off to see if it influences those actual speeds.

Herrick: I will turn on the Feedback lights in a few weeks. I will be able to share data in a report format for different times of the day.

Wells: The speed is still really high, and vehicles are zooming by, so I hope that data is being collected. The speed sign is right before the cemetery. I would like the speed cart closer to the Bridge St. intersection.

Kory: There is even more traffic with the Rt. 2 construction. Even with signage, I don't think people realize the decrease in the speed limit. The fixed solar sign is often shaded and does not always flash the vehicles current speed.

Herrick: Maybe the battery needs to be replaced. That sign is not capable of collecting data as it is an older model.

Hill: Maybe we should upgrade our model on that end?

LaBounty: If we can enforce speeding tickets then people will slow down.

Herrick: The Chittenden County Sheriff's Office is currently not available to provide support for enforcement. We do not have somebody to keep an eye on a police car that is parked on Cochran Rd to scare people.

Wells: I think we need more than a couple of days to collect speed data. Fridays are way different than other days. When will be able to see the data.

Herrick: We will get weekend and weekday data for each direction on Cochran Rd. I will give the data to Josh as I get it. It can be presented at the next Selectboard meeting.

Then we can turn the Feedback lights back on to see if there is a dramatic change. I am collecting data on all 7 days, not all consecutive.

Naumann: I think we should do some education on Front Porch Forum and at Cochran's where there are lots of bike riders.

Hill: Maybe someone from Cochran's could help us educate and remind their users of the speed limits.

Houle: The constable could sit in an extra Police car to help inform people who are using Cochran's trails.

Update on parking enforcement on Cochran Rd.

Arneson: This is a staffing issue with Police on Cochran Rd and Dugway Rd on weekends. The Sheriff's office says they do not have staff but are getting back to us.

Heston: It is important to Benjamin Herrick to talk to the Sheriff's office to confirm the hours of service (weekends, 9 am – 5 pm) and dispatching.

Herrick: I will reach out again. I do not know if the Williston State police will be available much like the Sheriff's office.

Furr: The Richmond Land Trust held a meeting and the people who live by Bombardier are not in favor of the parking. The lawn is encouraging too much commercial access without any permits. Bombardier Field does not actually have a Conditional Use permit. The Land Trust and residents are not enthusiastic about the Bombardier Field parking.

Arneson: The Land Trust is still debating if they want to apply for a Conditional Use permit.

LaBounty: The Land Trust has the power to determine commercial use. The Selectboard has the power to tell Umiak that they cannot unload customers from Cochran Rd to the Bombardier Meadow. They can remind them to use Overackers.

Forward: I would like to hear from the Parking Advisory Committee to recommend to the Land Trust and Selectboard on how best to proceed.

Hill: The Transportation and Parking Committees might consider commercial use as it pertains to traffic.

Forward: Staffing should happen between noon to 6 pm on a hot day.

Arneson: It gets complicated if we use our Constable to write tickets as it pertains to labor laws in addition to his regular duties.

Forward: If our Constable is acting as a Police Officer with a uniform and a gun then I have many concerns.

Discussion of amending personnel guidelines to include Juneteenth as a holiday and to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day

Heston: When we met with the Department Heads, they had some questions on why all Holidays would not be floating. We should look at the entire employee handbook to make changes to what defines the different types of days.

Arneson: The Personal Guidelines are ~20 pages and were adopted the Spring of 2018. The last few years, we have reached out to VLCT regarding a volunteer Fire Department and other topics for some potential changes.

Heston: We discussed forming another Committee with 2 Selectboard members and Josh. Jay Furr and I agree to develop something for Selectboard approval.

Hill: Start with the Holidays.

Heston: We do not want to add an extra Holiday. We will put in Juneteenth and determining floating Holidays.

Follow up on refund from Green Mountain Power related to LED Streetlights

Forward: The reason we have LED streetlights is because the Richmond Climate Action Committee advocated for us to look into this. This helps us reduce our carbon footprint and save energy. It also saved us tangible money of \$21,043.70 from Green Mountain Power over a five-year period.

Arneson: That revenue will be split between offsetting the FY22 costs that should not have been spent and the remaining amount for unassigned funds.

Staffing update

Arneson: Every quarter we review the staffing update. Highway hired Dan O'Shaughnessy as a Heavy Equipment operator. The department is now fully staffed. In the Police Department, Chief Kapitanski has resigned and left for an officer position with Shelburne and Officer Benjamin Herrick was made Interim Police Chief. The Library Director, Rebecca Mueller reports minimal staffing needs have been met. Stacey Symanowicz will help on the webpage and cataloging, but she doesn't want to work more than 15 hours. She doesn't want to give up her hours as co-director in Huntington. In the meantime, she'll be the one that will carry out most of the IT/tech functions of setting up machines, WiFi, network admin, hooking up new devices, installing driver updates for them and so on. The Water and Sewer department is still looking for an Operator in Training and has received several applications. Water and Wastewater Superintendent Kendall Chamberlin is reviewing the applicants, one of which has relevant experience.

Approval of Minutes, Warrants and Purchase Orders

Warrants

Arneson: While working on the minutes from the August 1 meeting it came to my attention that a motion was never made to approve the warrants. Since they were signed,

we did not hold up sending out the checks, but I do want to get an official vote from the Selectboard on the warrants from August 1, 2022.

*Hill moved to approve the warrants as presented from 8/1/2022. Furr seconded.
Roll Call Vote: Forward, Furr, Heston, Hill, Sander in favor. Motion approved.*

Arneson: Chittenden Unit for Special Investigation (CUSI) finally invoiced the Town for FY21, FY22 and FY23. We have not yet closed the books for FY22 so that is included in the FY22 warrant. The books have been closed on FY21 so there is a separate warrant for the FY21 CUSI invoice. Traditionally when appropriation invoices have been received after the fiscal year has been closed the invoices have not been paid. If the Board would like to make an exception in this case, this invoice will be billed to the FY22 CUSI line and that line will be overspent. The amount for FY21 is \$7,736. They investigate a lot of sex crimes.

Heston: I sit on the CUSI Board as a member of the Richmond Selectboard. The Board asks us to contribute to these types of investigations.

Hill: I recommend we pay FY22 & FY23 but wait on paying FY21 until we hear from CUSI why we were invoiced so late and how they will prevent it from happening again.

*Hill moved to approve all the warrants except for the 2021 CUSI as presented from 8/15/2022. Furr seconded.
Roll call vote follows discussion.*

Forward: I have a question about the Chargepoint invoice in FY23 for \$333.00. We have a 5-year warranty.

Wardwell: The part wasn't covered in the warranty, but I will look into it again. The warranty covered the labor.

Roll Call Vote: Forward, Furr, Heston, Hill, Sander in favor. Motion approved.

Purchase Orders

*Furr moved to approve PO# 4407 to J&M Concrete for concrete curbs, sidewalks, and mats not to exceed \$76,480.00. Hill seconded
Roll Call Vote: Forward, Furr, Hill, Sander in favor. Heston abstained. Motion approved.*

*Furr moved to approve PO# 4445 to NEMRC for Town Wide reappraisal not to exceed \$64,500.00. Hill seconded
Roll Call Vote: Forward, Furr, Hill, Sander in favor. Heston abstained. Motion approved.*

*Furr moved to approve PO# 4446 to NEMRC for annual listing services not to exceed \$22,980.00. Hill seconded
Roll Call Vote: Forward, Furr, Hill, Sander in favor. Heston abstained. Motion approved.*

Minutes

Arneson: The Minutes from 8/1/2022 were not included in the packet for this week's Selectboard meeting. The new website just lists the Minutes with the meeting date. In the future, I will send a link to the meeting agenda packet and a link for the previous meetings minutes.

Heston: I have not read the minutes of 8/1/2022 so we can wait to approve at next meeting.

Hill: I am stuck on why it goes from August 15 meeting and then click Previous Post, you would think it would go to August 1, 2022. Instead, it goes to July 18, 2022 then Previous Post August 1, 2022.

Wardwell: I will double check the chronological sorting of the website.

Discuss Items for Next Agenda

- *Parking Committee
- *CUSI Update
- *Outdoor Construction Permit
- *Personnel guidelines

Adjournment

*Furr moved to adjourn. Forward seconded
Roll Call Vote: Forward, Furr, Heston, Hill, Sander in favor. Motion approved.*

Meeting adjourned at 10:57 pm

Chat file from Zoom:

02:02:38 Connie van Eeghen, she/her: Could you provide an example of how a combined PD would be governed by two different Selectboards?

02:11:22 Ann Naumann: Does the SB see this as something that they would bring to voters ?

02:14:00 Ann Naumann: As we explore options it seems we should find ways to let our current police force know of their importance to us/the town

02:15:29 Connie van Eeghen, she/her: Thank you, June, Bard, and Jeff; that was very helpful

02:59:49 Ann Naumann: It is so busy with walkers, runners, cyclists and is unsafe now. I'm concerned that someone is going to get hurt

03:10:49 Ann Naumann: Thank you everyone for working to address this issue

03:12:05 Ann Naumann: in the mean time Dave and I are shouting at speeders

03:12:50 Lisa Kory: Let's not forget the trucks on Cochran Road. They are also much more numerous now and seem mostly oblivious of the speed limit.