

Location: Carmel Town Office

Selectmen Present: Daniel Frye, Suzan Rudnicki, Isaac Raymond, Jared Fitts and Timothy Richardson, Jr.

Rec. Secretary: Coreen Sylvester

Guests Present: Glennis McSorley, Toby Pelletier, Budget Committee members Nancy Dysart, Laurie Murphy, Evelyn L. Smith, David Richardson, Bryan Roy, Jeannie Savoy and Kevin Keith

5:30 PM: Daniel Frye called the Selectmen's meeting to order.

NEW BUSINESS:

Public Comments Regarding 2024 Budget: Chairman Daniel Frye called for public comments regarding the increase of the contingency account (from \$15,000.00 to \$30,000.00) on the 2024 town meeting warrant. There were no comments from the floor. No action taken.

Updated 2024 Town Meeting Warrant: Isaac Raymond made a motion to approve the 2024 Town Meeting warrant with the updated amount for the contingency account article. Suzan Rudnicki seconded. Five voted in favor.

MINUTES: Jared Fitts made a motion to accept the minutes of January 31, 2024 as written. Timothy Richardson Jr. seconded. Five voted in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

Interim Code Enforcement Officer, LPI and E911 Addressing Officer: Isaac Raymond made a motion that we as a board appoint Jordan McLaughlin as interim Code Enforcement Officer, and E911 Addressing Officer effective February 12, 2024 and to not exceed an agreed upon end date of May 13, 2024 or until a permanent candidate is appointed by the select board members. Appointee shall be an hourly employee and be present and available at the Town of Carmel Municipal Building weekly every Monday for a minimum of 8 hours and to assist with the planning board meetings as requested. Suzan Rudnicki seconded. Five voted in favor.

Isaac Raymond made a motion that we as a board appoint Annette Merrithew as a consultant to interim code enforcement officer and E911 Addressing Officer Jordan McLaughlin effective February 12, 2024 and to not exceed an agreed upon end date of May 13, 2024 or until a permanent candidate is appointed by the select board. The Appointee shall be an hourly employee and shall be available to assist with planning board meetings as needed. Suzan Rudnicki seconded. Five voted in favor.

Isaac Raymond made a motion that we as a board appoint Jordan McLaughlin as interim LPI (Plumbing Inspector) as of February 12, 2024 and until May 13, 2024 or until a

permanent candidate is appointed by the select board. Appointee shall be paid 75% of all plumbing permit fees and inspect on Mondays while present for code enforcement duties. Timothy Richardson, Jr. seconded. Five voted in favor.

Update on Memorial for Kevin Howell: Sue Rudnicki said the is a celebration of life memorial for Kevin will be at the Grange Hall on February 10, 2024 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. There will be additional parking at the town office and elementary school, with a shuttle bus available.

WARRANT: Isaac Raymond made a motion to accept the payroll warrant of **February 5, 2024** in the amount of **\$14,679.14**. Jared Fitts seconded. Five voted in favor.

WARRANT: Isaac Raymond made a motion to accept the accounts payable warrant of **February 5, 2024** in the amount of **\$18,007.46**. Tim Richardson seconded. Five voted in favor.

Next Meeting: Selectmen scheduled the next Selectmen's meeting for Wednesday, February 7th at 5:30 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Daniel Frye made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to 1MRSA § 405(6)(A) to discuss a personnel matter. Timothy Richardson seconded. Five voted in favor. Selectmen went into executive session at 5:57 pm. Tim Richardson made a motion to reconvene in regular session. Isaac Raymond seconded. Five voted in favor. Selectmen reconvened in regular session at 7:50 pm. No action taken, informational only.

ADJOURNMENT: Sue Rudnicki made a motion to adjourn. Tim Richardson seconded. Five voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.