

**MINUTES**

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
TOWN HALL**

**March 11, 2024  
6:30 PM**

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**ATTENDEES:**

**Select board members:** Leon Rideout, Shane Beattie, Kathy-Jean Lavoie

**Others in Attendance:** Charity Baker

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Selectman Leon Rideout.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**REVIEW OF MINUTES:** March 4, 2024

Motion made by Kathy-Jean and seconded by Shane to approve the March 4, 2024 meeting minutes. Leon abstained as he did not attend that meeting. Shane and Kathy-Jean voted in favor. Motion carried.

Board met to discuss items on the budget.

Kathy-Jean wonders if the pay wage increases have been calculated so they definitive numbers in case questions come up during town meeting. The board is concerned with how tight the budget and if they will be able to cover any of the new hires that will be taking place like the new fire chief and town manager.

**Motion made by Shane and seconded by Kathy-Jean that all wage/salary increases will not take effect after town meeting until further action from the board. All in favor. Motion carried.**

Shane is concerned that the employees will get the wrong impression of this action. He would like to talk with all of the department heads at the next meeting to express that the board is not back tracking on the increases, they just need to get a handle on what the increases will be in order to manage the budget efficiently in the absence of a town manager.

Kathy-Jean reminded the others that the deadline for the town manager screening committee is Wednesday, March 13, 2024.

**Motion made by Kathy-Jean and seconded by Shane to adjourn. All in favor. Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Selectmen

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Charity M. Baker

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Leon Rideout

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Shane Beattie

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Kathy-Jean Lavoie