

Mayor and Selectmen Meeting Minutes of
June 3, 2024
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TOPIC		Discussion
PRESENT:	Mayor Seney, Deputy Mayor Simmons, Selectman Hayes, Selectwoman Marion, Selectman Pempek, Selectman Pomes, and Selectman Paquin	
ABSENT:		
1.	Call to Order	Mayor Seney called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM
2.	Pledge of Allegiance	Led by Mayor Seney
3.	Public Comment	3 – minute maximum per person None
4.	Approval of the Minutes	A. Minutes from May 20, 2024, Board of Selectmen Meeting Deputy Mayor Simmons made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 20, 2024, Board of Selectmen Meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Selectman Paquin and passed unanimously.
5.	Petitions & Communication	None
6.	Reports of Special Committee	None
7.	Reports of Standing Committee	A. General Government Committee None
8.	Unfinished Business	None
9.	Grant Considerations & Updates	None Deputy Mayor Simmons made a motion to add item 10. E, Property Tax Exemption to the agenda. The motion was seconded by Selectman Pempek and passed unanimously.
10.	New Business	A. WPCA Lead Service line. Deputy Mayor Simmons made a motion to table the subject until after Atty review. The motion was seconded by Selectman Pomes and passed

		unanimously.
		<p>B. Combining the Planning & Zoning Commission, Set the date for Public Hearing and Special Town Meeting.</p> <p>Deputy Mayor Simmons made a motion to send the combination of the Planning & Zoning Commission to public hearing on June 17th at 6:30 PM and a Special Town Meeting on June 17th at 6:45 PM, at the Putnam Municipal Complex, Room 109. The motion was seconded by Selectman Paquin and passed unanimously.</p> <p>C. Approval of space for dumpster needs of Union at 26-28 Union Street</p> <p>The Mayor and Selectmen discussed the approval of space. An MOU will be drawn up for Selectmen approval, requiring a privacy fence around the dumpsters, a lock and insurance requirements.</p> <p>D. Use of ARPA funds for 800 Megahertz radios for East Putnam Fire, Putnam Fire, Putnam Police, and all Town vehicles.</p> <p>East Putnam Fire requested the amount of \$80,288.85, to purchase new radios, 5 of which will have 800-Megahertz capability. The Board discussed having an ad hoc committee established to discuss town/state- wide communication equipment.</p> <p>Selectman Paquin made a motion to approve the use of ARPA funds, in the amount of \$80,288.85 for station #79, East Putnam Fire, to purchase radios as requested. The motion was seconded by Selectman Pempek and passed unanimously.</p> <p>Deputy Mayor Simmons made a motion to allow Mayor Seney to select an Ad-Hoc committee to address the larger communication’s issue. The motion was seconded by Selectman Paquin and passed unanimously.</p> <p>E. Property Tax Exemption for Veterans</p> <p>Mayor Seney wanted to inform the Selectmen about the new Public Act regarding property tax exemption for Veterans. Mayor Seney stated the Assessors office is still obtaining information regarding the issue and it does not begin until October 1, 2024.</p>
11.	Public Comment	<p>3-minute maximum per person</p> <p>None</p>
12.	Adjournment	Selectman Hayes made a motion to adjourn at 7:48 PM. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Simmons and passed unanimously.
		Respectfully submitted: Denise A. Geeza, Executive Assistant

