

**TOWN OF LEMPSTER  
BOARD OF  
SELECTMEN  
Approved Meeting Minutes  
July 9, 2024**

**Board Present:** Mark Lightner, Everett Thurber and Phil Tirrell

Administrative Assistant Robin Cantara

**Others Present:** Mindy Chadwick, Lynda Perry, Jennifer Gildner-Blinn, Scott Goodspeed and David Richards.

Mark called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The Board reviewed and approved the payroll and accounts payable manifest.

Approve/Amend Minutes of the June 25, 2024 Selectmen's Meeting.

Phil moves to accept the minutes as printed, seconded by Everett; all in favor.

**Old Business**

**Highway Department:**

Culverts – Daryl was not present, Everett updated that the FEMA culverts are complete and he believes there are approximately 23 additional culverts in need of routine maintenance replacement. The Board and Scott discussed various culvert locations cited for repair.

Mark asked Scott if there were any issues with the equipment, Scott had spent half a day working on the CAT backhoe repairing the turbo muffler bracket.

**New Business**

Machine voting – Phil inquired if we had gotten a price on the ballot machine, Mark stated we had not, he had reached out to Sharron and then dropped the ball.

**Department Reports**

**Conservation Commission:**

Lynda Perry announced the CC had cleaned up the Duck Pond Trail last week and are planning to clean Lady Slipper this week, weather depending.

**Administrative and Correspondence**

Phil asked if we got the letter out to the Claytor's, Mark explained that we have not yet, we are still working out the fine details.

Mark stated we were however successful with the non-compliant culverts at 284 Long Pond Road in conjunction with the Planning Board. The driveway culvert will be replaced by the owner's contractor by Friday July 19<sup>th</sup>.

Phil asked if we had heard from the State in regards to approval of the work completed at the Long Pond Beach; we have not heard yet. Phil spoke on behalf of the Long Pond Beach Association inquiring if they could remove some of the stakes to allow for handicap accessibility. The Board will check with the State prior to allowing any movement of the stakes.

### **Administrative and Correspondence continued**

Mark talked about the Unlined Landfill Maintenance seminar that he attended and all that he learned, he feels Lempster for now is in pretty good shape but the regulations are becoming more stringent. The Board discussed having the highway department finish up this year's cleanup of the landfill.

The Board will meet with Melanie Kraus – July 11, 2024 at 8am at the Long Pond Beach.

### **Public Participation**

David Richards asked if the Fire Department could have a bon fire to burn the brush, he explained that it will serve as an opportunity for the Fire Department families to get together for a barbeque. Phil makes a motion to allow the department to burn, seconded my Mark; all in favor.

Mindy Chadwick inquired of the status of the crosswalk from the Town Office to the Library. Mark stated he had reached out to the State and did not receive a response, he will reach out again.

There being no further business, Mark announced the Board will suspend the public meeting to move into non-public at Everett's request. At 7:28 PM, Everett moves to enter non-public seconded by Phil; all in favor.

At 8:08pm the Board returned to open session, Phil moves to adjourn the regular session at 8:09pm, seconded by Everett; all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Cantara  
Administrative Assistant