Town of Croydon

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Tuesday, September 12, 2023, at 7:00 PM

Town Hall, Croydon NH

1. CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 pm
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL
    a. Chairman: Amie Freak
    b. Selectman: Ed Spiker
    c. Administrative Assistant: Melissa Prunier

4. APPROVE PREVIOUS MINUTES
    a. Review and approve minutes from August 22, 2023; reviewed, signed, and filed.
5. CORRESPONDENCE:
    a. Joe Marko resigned as Selectman as of August 30, 2023.
6. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA
7. OLD ITEMS:
    a. Fire Department Contract: Amie Freak was asked to speak with our Attorney regarding one of the employees being an offender. The attorney said that because we are issuing into a contract with them, we have the right to do background checks. Amie does not feel comfortable entering into a contract at this time.
        i. We will be looking into this further and decide how to proceed at a future meeting.
    b. FEMA updates with Jason Rook – No word from FEMA yet, the Governor turned down the declaration and refused to sign and it is going no further at this time. Hope Damon clarified that he, the Governor, would not declare an emergency but that he has submitted to the President.
    c. Streaming and recording update: Ed Spiker met with Town Hall Streams to check on the building and our options. Acoustics are not great at the Town Hall so we would need to purchase new equipment, “bound mics” vs the mics we have for

$1250. The monthly fee would be $250.00 to stream and store recordings for 5 years.

i. This charge does not include the fee for Starlink, which would be an initial payment of $600 for equipment and then $90-120 a month depending on accessibility. Once the agreement is signed and submitted, Town Hall Streams could begin installation and we would start the streaming services.

ii. Amie made a motion to accept the proposal from Town Hall Streams, Ed 2nd; voted unanimously to accept the proposal from Town Hall Streams and update internet to Starlink.

8. NEW ITEMS:

a. Budget Committee – in lieu of filling the vacant Selectman seat, Amie would like to form a budget committee. Amie made a motion to form a budget committee with one Board member and 2 or 3 members of the public; Ed 2nd; voted unanimously to form a budget committee.

b. Table & chair rental fees- Several people have inquired about renting the tables and chairs from the Town Hall. We need to determine a set price per day to rent.

i. Discussion around rental of Town Hall per day and tulip insurance coverage that would be charged back to the renter. Ed will find out what the charges are from the Insurance company.

ii. Amie made a motion to charge $20 a day for use of the tables and chairs, Ed 2nd; voted unanimously to charge $20 a day for rental of the Town Hall table & chairs.

9. Public Comment:

a. Hope Damon – would like clarification on Budget Committee – is this to fill the vacant seat with a person with a financial background. She would prefer to see the seat filled within the next 30 days.

i. Seat will not be filled tonight – it will be discussed further on whether to be filled before March or not.

10. NON-PUBLIC (if needed): n/a

11. ADJOURNMENT: Ed Spiker made motion to adjourn; Amie 2nd; adjourned the meeting at 7:20 pm.

12. Next meeting: Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at 7:00 pm

13. To Do / Follow up items:

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Prunier

SIGNED MINUTES AVAILABLE AT THE TOWN HALL

Chairman signature Date

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Selectman signature Date

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Selectman signature Date