

## Minutes of the Roxbury Selectmen meeting June 26, 2017

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## Minutes of a Special Town Meeting June 26, 2017

In attendance at the regular meeting: Selectmen Gerry Davis, Tim O'Brien and Jim Rousmaniere; Police Chief Rob O'Connor, Emergency Management Director Chip Drogue, Treasurer David Jewett, Anthony Kline of Nye Hill.

The meeting opened at 7 p.m. Minutes from the meeting of June 19 were approved.

The Selectmen thanked Anthony Kline for a communication that announced Nye Hill Farm's plans to open its farm stand for the season on the town hall parking lot in the next week or so.

Following brief administrative discussions the selectmen interrupted their regular meeting to gather with others in the main hall for a special town meeting at 7:30 p.m. that was related to the storm-induced delay of this year's annual meeting by one day in March; minutes for that special meeting appear below these minutes for the regular selectmen's meeting.

Following the special town meeting, the selectmen returned to the selectmen's office at approximately at 7:45 p.m. to resume their regular weekly meeting.

The Selectmen forwarded to Treasurer Jewett two invoices related to grant-funded telecommunications upgrades (one for \$4,000 and another for \$1,380) for the police department.

The selectmen discussed the possibility of employing a contractor to paint all or part of the exterior of Town Hall. Selectman O'Brien will draft request for bids for discussion at a subsequent meeting.

Selectman Davis prepared the manifest of bills to be paid; the manifest was signed by the selectmen.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. since there were no members of the public awaiting their attention.

Minutes of the regular meeting approved by the selectmen.

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## Minutes of a special town meeting June 26, 2017

In attendance at the special meeting: Selectmen Gerry Davis, Tim O'Brien and Jim Rousmaniere; moderator Mark Funk, Emergency Management Director Chip Drogue, Josh Hicks and Joy Richards.

Moderator Funk called the special meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. He announced that there would be two items on the agenda – (a) special action required by state law that was related to the town's delay by one day of the holding of the March, 2017 annual meeting and (b) the holding of a procedural defect meeting that was related to signatures on the 2017 town meeting warrant.

- (a) Town meeting delay: Moderator Funk read the following to explain the purpose of the meeting: **“Pursuant to Chapter 20:6, Laws of New Hampshire 2017, the Town of Roxbury will hold a special town meeting to vote to legalize, ratify and confirm the results of the March 15 annual meeting.”**

It was explained that the 2017 town meeting was formally scheduled to be held March 14, but was delayed by one day due to safety concerns regarding townspeople driving in a severe snow storm. The one-day delay was noticed on the town's web site on the day of the storm. This meeting today was properly posted in The Keene Sentinel, on the town hall bulletin board, on the town web site and in minutes of a prior selectmen's meeting.

Moderator Funk asked for discussion. There being no discussion, he asked for a vote. The vote was unanimously in favor of legalizing, ratifying and confirming the results of the March 15 annual meeting.

- (b) Procedural defect meeting: Moderator Funk read the following to explain the purpose of the meeting: **“Pursuant to RSA 31:5-b, the Town of Roxbury will hold a hearing and meeting to ratify the results of the March 15<sup>th</sup> annual meeting even though the posting requirements were not met.”**

It was explained that, due to a misunderstanding regarding procedures associated with the signing of the town warrant in advance of the town's annual meeting, the Selectmen incorrectly assumed that the cursive font listing of their names at the bottom of the warrant was satisfactory. The purpose of the meeting today is for the selectmen to affix their actual signatures on the town warrant as it was originally approved and posted on February 22, 2017. The new action does not require a vote by the town, but in any case there was no objection voiced to the formal signing of the warrant. In the presence of those in attendance, the selectmen signed their names to

the 2017 warrant; the signed document will be sent to the state Department of Revenue Administration.

There being no further business, Moderator Funk adjourned the meeting at 7:41 p.m.

Minutes of the special meeting approved by the selectmen.