

HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 11, 2023 @ 2:30 p.m.

Town Hall

Meeting called to order at 2:33. Members present were Nancy Gorski, Michele O'Toole, Don McDougall, Wayne Linsley, Walt Adametz and Elizabeth Disbrow, Jim McDonald

Nancy made a motion to approve minutes from the December 13, 2022 meeting, seconded by Jim. With no discussion, the minutes were approved unanimously.

New Business:

Due to PFAS issues at Town Hall, we are getting bottled water under state contract. This means all water coolers in town buildings will be replaced with those that are bottom loading. These will be easier to load and reduce the possibility of injury. Coolers will also be added to the EOC and any other buildings that need one.

Emergency panic buttons were tested on July 5, all were working properly.

A fire drill will be scheduled before our next meeting on September 12.

Nancy mentioned that lines should be painted in the parking lot at the library. Walt assured this will be done at the completion of chip sealing when the roads are painted.

There were no safety concerns at the EOC and library.

Wayne discussed safety protocol used during road work and mowing.

Don noted that CPR classes were taught at the library and churches. Letters were sent to local businesses to encourage their participation in classes.

Local emergency operations plans are being reviewed by the selectmen. Nancy is waiting for Brian Walsh's input. The final plan is due to the state in January, 2024.

Old Business:

Town fire extinguishers were serviced and recharged in May, this service includes all properties owned by the town.

The dog shelter has no electricity, options are being discussed on how to fix the problem. Digging up the driveway is necessary however with PFAS in the ground, this is not an easy fix.

Elizabeth asked Selectman Lou Annino to add a drop box by the front door. The wood is rotting at the bottom of the side light and it's a perfect place to add a secure, dry drop box.

Jim made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:04, seconded by Elizabeth. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele O'Toole