

**TOWN OF GRANBY  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR MEETING**

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**February 21, 2023**

Members Present:      First Selectman Mark H. Fiorentino  
                                 Selectman Kelly O. Rome  
                                 Selectman Margaret Q. Chapple  
                                 Selectman Mark C. Neumann  
                                 Selectman Frederick A. Moffa

Others Present:        Erica P. Robertson, Town Manager  
                                 Kirk A. Severance, Public Works Director  
                                 Kimi Cheng, Finance Director – Via Zoom  
                                 Scott A. Nolan, Town Clerk

The Hon. Mark H. Fiorentino, First Selectman called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

**I.    PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Selectman Frederick A. Moffa led members of the Board of Selectmen in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II.   MINUTES**

**A.   Approval of Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Minutes**

Selectman Mark C. Neumann made a motion for the adoption of the following resolution:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Granby Board of Selectmen hereby approves the minutes of the Board of Selectmen meeting of February 21, 2023.

The motion was seconded by Selectman Kelly O. Rome and after discussion regarding numerous typos in the meeting minutes the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote (5/0/0) **MOTION CARRIES**.

**III.   APPOINTMENTS**

First Selectman Mark H. Fiorentino noted that the Board of Selectmen had not received any further recommendations to fill vacancies on Boards and Commissions.

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**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Technology Plan**

Erica P. Robertson, Town Manager updated members of the Board of Selectmen about the Technology Plan and noted that it is important to keep up with current technology, maintain the technology infrastructure, and ensure that staff have the required hardware and software to be efficient and effective in their work be a strong focus.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Consideration of Budget Amendment for CT Fair Plan Grant**

Erica P. Robertson, Town Manager informed members of the Board of Selectmen that the Granby Fire Marshal's Office has received a grant in the amount of \$105.00 provided by the Connecticut Fair Plan Anti-Arson Committee for the purpose of purchasing equipment.

Selectman Frederick A. Moffa made a motion for the adoption of the following resolution:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Granby Board of Selectmen hereby authorizes increases of the Misc. Revenue and Grant Expense line items in the General Fund budget by \$105.00 to purchase needed equipment relating to the prevention, investigation, or prosecution of arson fires and forwards this request to the Board of Finance to approve.

The motion was seconded by Selectman Kelly O. Rome which passed by a unanimous voice vote (5/0/0) **MOTION CARRIES.**

**B. Consideration of Budget Amendment for Donation to the Dog Fund**

Erica P. Robertson, Town Manager informed members of the Board of Selectmen that the Granby Animal Control Officer has received a generous \$1,000.00 donation from a Granby resident who has expressed that the money be used for the well-being of animals in the care of our Animal Control Officer.

Selectman Mark C. Neumann made a motion for the adoption of the following resolution:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Granby Board of Selectmen hereby authorizes increases of Donations and Kennel Supplies line items in the Dog Fund budget by \$1,000.00 to purchase items and services to be used for the well-being of animals in the care of the Granby Animal Control Officer and forward this request to the Board of Finance to approve.

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The motion was seconded by Selectman Margaret Q. Chapple which passed by a unanimous voice vote (5/0/0) **MOTION CARRIES.**

**C. Consideration of Amendment for Street Light Repair**

Erica P. Robertson, Town Manager noted to the members of the Board of Selectmen that in the summer of 2022, a resident notified the Department of Public Works of a problem with the light poles along the Route 10 sidewalks. Erica P. Robertson, Town Manager explained that it was determined that several poles were leaking voltage and the power needed to be disconnected and that throughout the troubleshooting process, the Town's electrical contract, along with Eversource tried to find the reason for the voltage leaking to the exterior of the light poles but found no easy explanation. Erica P. Robertson, Town Manager explained that the Department of Public Works staff and the Town's electrical contractor, Antonucci Electric, believe that each light pole will need to be tested for bad grounds or wiring faults. After discussion, the Board of Selectmen decided that they would like to consider the quote and that they would take action at their March 6, 2023, Board of Selectmen meeting.

**VI. TOWN MANAGERS REPORT**

**A. Budget Operations**

Erica P. Robertson, Town Manager reported to members of the Board of Selectmen about the Budget Operations noting that the tax collection is at 94% (vs. 95% last year). Erica P. Robertson, Town Manager also reported that STIF rate continues to be strong and that the expenditures year to date is consistent with last year.

**VII. FIRST SELECTMAN REPORT**

First Selectman Mark H. Fiorentino thanked Selectman Margaret Q. Chapple and Selectman Frederick A. Moffa for attending the Board of Selectmen open house event with him and noted that residents had questions mostly about public safety, affordable housing, and composting. First Selectman Mark H. Fiorentino also noted that a resident suggested that the Board of Selectmen offer a "Get to Know Your Town" event to help residents learn how to use the Town Website.

**VIII. SELECTMAN REPORTS**

Selectman Margaret Q. Chapple informed members of the Board of Selectmen that she had recently attended the Wells Road 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Concert and noted that it was well attended with standing room only and that the students did a great job. Selectman Margaret Q. Chapple also took an opportunity to wish First Selectman Mark H. Fiorentino a "*Happy Birthday*".

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**IX. PUBLIC SESSION**

Raymond Harder (*23 Spring Glen Drive*) addressed members of the Board of Selectmen about the condition of the road in front of his house and explained that the road has continued to deteriorate and needs to be repaved. Mr. Harder explained that chunks of asphalt are being thrown on his lawn when snowplows go by and that he has lived at the address for 40 years and that the last time the road was resurfaced was about 30 years ago.

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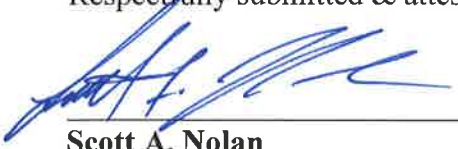
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**X. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no more business to come before the meeting, Selectman Mark C. Neumann made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectmen Meeting at 7:46 p.m., which was seconded by Selectman Kelly O. Rome and passed by a unanimous voice vote. **(5/0/0) MOTION CARRIES.**

Respectfully submitted & attested,



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**Scott A. Nolan**  
Town Clerk

Received for Record February 22, 2023, at 11:28 AM  
By SCOTT A. NOLAN, Town Clerk