

TROY BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MONDAY MAY 22, 2023, 5:00 P.M.
TROY TOWN HALL

1 **1. CALL TO ORDER:** *Chairman Chasse called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.*
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3 **Selectmen present:** Chairman Chasse, Selectman Thackston, Selectman Hopkins

4 **Also present:** Mary Guild, Town Administrator
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6 **2. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:**

7 Selectman Hopkins – Planning Board met on May 17, 2023. The Town’s Master Plan is being
8 reviewed and updated. The next meeting is scheduled for June 7, 2023. Selectman Thackston
9 will fill in for Selectman Hopkins as Selectmen’s Representative.
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- 11 • The Recreation Committee had scheduled roller skating at Cutler School for Friday May
12 26. The event has been canceled.
- 13 • The Fishing Derby, sponsored by the Recreation Committee, was held Saturday May 20.
14 It was a successful event.
- 15 • The June Community Breakfast has been canceled.
- 16 • The Community Dinner will be held on June 10, 2023.
- 17 • Karaoke Night is scheduled for Friday evening, May 26, 2023 - BYOB. Food will be
18 available. There will be no door charge.
- 19 • Concerts on the Common begin on May 31 with Rick and the Red Head performing that
20 evening. The next scheduled concert is June 14.
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22 Selectman Thackston – Work on the Common has been completed for now. Mr. & Mrs. Sawyer
23 replanted daylilies in the North Triangle. The Board had previously elected to procure Elm trees
24 to plant on the common. Selectman Thackston has found that to be cost prohibitive. He
25 suggested planting a new Spruce tree to replace the pine tree that was recently removed. The
26 Spruce can be lit for the Christmas holidays. The other members of the Board agreed with the
27 idea. A repair is needed on one of the posts as it is sinking. The other item needed on the
28 Common at this time is to raise the curbing. Several layers of pavement have been applied to the
29 roadway and the curbing has remained at the same level. Some of the curbing is actually covered
30 by pavement. Selectman Thackston suggested a letter to the Governor and Executive Council.
31 John Coons, Road Agent, from the audience, volunteered to speak to someone at the State DOT
32 District 4 facility.
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34 On the State level, Selectman Thackston was present at the Legislative Sessions Day on Thursday
35 May 18. He reported on the expansion of Medicaid the House of Representatives is working on.
36 Selectman Thackston reported Medicaid assistance encompasses one-third of the state’s budget.
37 He also reported on the Parents’ Bill of Rights which passed in the Senate but was not voted on in
38 the House. The Bill cannot go before the House for two years now.
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40 Chairman Chasse attended the most recent Water & Sewer Commission meeting on May 10. The
41 next meeting will be on May 25, 2023. Sludge testing has been completed.
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43 The next meeting of the ZBA will be the second Tuesday of July, the regular quarterly meeting,
44 unless a request is received.
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46 The Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday May 29, 2023, starting at 10:30 a.m.
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49 **3. PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments

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51 At this time, the Board addressed agenda item **5.E.** Building Permit application submitted by Mr.
52 Herbert Drugg to reconfigure a home at 33 South Main Street, Map 13, Lot 70, adding two
53 additional dwelling units. No square footage increase to the property is planned. Mr. Drugg
54 asked for a two-year period for the work to be completed. **MOTION** to approve the permit
55 application, as submitted, for a two-year period at no additional cost, Selectman Thackston,
56 **SECOND** by Selectman Hopkins. **VOTES: 3-0-0.**

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58 Agenda item **5.A.** Demolition permit request from Mr. Ronald Cormier of 354 Richmond Road,
59 as Mr. Cormier was waiting for the decision. The permit is requested to remove the old house on
60 the property, Map 29, Lot 1. **MOTION** to approve the permit request, as submitted, Selectman
61 Thackston, **SECOND** by Selectman Hopkins. **VOTES: 3-0-0.**

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63 The Board continued with a few of the items under **NEW BUSINESS, #5.**

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65 B. Building Permit, M13, L9 (Addition) - **MOTION** to approve the permit application, as
66 submitted, Selectman Thackston, **SECOND** by Selectman Hopkins. **VOTES: 3-0-0.**

67 C. Building Permit, M14, L3 (Shed) - **MOTION** to approve the permit application, as submitted,
68 Selectman Thackston, **SECOND** by Selectman Hopkins. **VOTES: 3-0-0.**

69 D. Building Permit, M19, L187 (Solar Panels) – The Board reviewed the application, noting the
70 request is currently out of compliance with the Town Zoning Ordinance. Town Administrator
71 Guild will draft a letter to the property owner.

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73 **4. ROAD AGENT SCHEDULE DISCUSSION:**

74 Road Agent, John Coons was in attendance to report on the items the Highway Department has
75 completed so far this year. The first quarter of 2023 was challenging due to a major storm on
76 March 14 and being short staffed. The department is currently staffed appropriately, but more help
77 may be necessary in the future to accomplish all that needs to be done in town and to maintain
78 same. Selectman Thackston suggested Mr. Coons plan to add “parks” maintenance to his
79 department’s duties. The ice issue at the intersection of Dort Street and Monadnock Street was
80 discussed. Mr. Coons will be seeking a solution before cold weather season. Selectman Hopkins
81 expressed his opinion that Mr. Coons is doing a good job getting up to speed on the job.
82 Selectman Thackston asked if there are plans to re do the intersection of Longmeadow and South
83 Main Street. Mr. Coons stated that is a situation he is aware of and will create a future plan. There
84 was a discussion of the department truck. Mr. Coons has found one, but it is a 2022 truck, the
85 Warrant Article approved in March is for a 2023 truck. The 2022 model is brand new, just held
86 over from the prior year. The issue will need to be researched to ensure the proper procedure is
87 followed to purchase.

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89 **5. NEW BUSINESS:**

90 E. Building Permit, M18, L187, Solar – The Board discussed. **MOTION** to approve stipulating
91 that panels be removed from the surface of the dwelling and refitted to either a roof mounted
92 system or a ground system, Selectman Thackston, **SECOND** by Selectman Hopkins. **VOTES: 3-**
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94 F. Troy Historical Society Check Request – The THS requests a check in the amount of \$78 to
95 pay rental of the Post Office Box for one year. **MOTION** to approve the request, as submitted,
96 Selectman Thackston, **SECOND** by Selectman Hopkins. **VOTES: 3-0-0.**

97 G. Driveway Permit, M13, L70 – **MOTION** to approve the application, as submitted, Selectman
 98 Thackston, **SECOND** by Selectman Hopkins. **VOTES: 3-0-0.** The Road Agent had previously
 99 approved the application after reviewing the site with the applicant.

101 **6. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE:** A notice was received from the NH Department of
 102 Transportation letting the Town know the bridges construction for the bridge at the North end of
 103 the Common and at the intersection of Route 12 and Lawrence Road has been postponed until
 104 2025.

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 106 **7. CONSENT AGENDA:**

107 A. Recent Manifests -

Payroll & Accounts Payable Manifests to be Approved				
PR	Week Ending Date	Check Date	Total	Notes-
	5/7/2023	5/15/2023	\$17,357.91	
	5/14/2023	5/22/2023	\$16,535.41	
A/P	NA	5/4/2023	\$51,229.03	Includes NHRS
	NA	5/11/2023	\$ 4,977.85	
	NA	5/18/2023	\$ 3,820.27	

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 109 **MOTION** to approve the recent manifests, as submitted, Selectman Hopkins, **SECOND** by
 110 Selectman Thackston. **VOTES: 3-0-0.**

111 B. Previous Meeting Minutes –

- 112 **1. MOTION** to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2023 Board of Selectmen meeting, as
 113 written, Selectman Thackston, **SECOND** by Selectman Hopkins. **VOTES: 3-0-0.**
 114 **2. MOTION** to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2023 Board of Selectmen meeting, as
 115 written, Selectman Thackston, **SECOND** by Selectman Hopkins. **VOTES: 3-0-0.**

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 117 **8. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:**

118 Town Administrator Guild reported that resident, William Covenos was into the Town Hall and
 119 assessed two benches he feels need reinforcement. He has volunteered to repair them. The Board
 120 is very interested in Mr. Covenos’s assistance and very much appreciates his volunteerism.

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 122 The Board discussed plans for Water & Sewer financial operations to be fully incorporated into
 123 the Selectmen’s office. As there was never a Warrant Article to make the department
 124 autonomous, the Board feels there is no need for one to add the department to the Town’s
 125 oversight.

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 127 A change to the Building Permit application was discussed. **MOTION** to remove item #1e. from
 128 the actual application, Selectman Thackston, **SECOND** by Selectman Hopkins. **VOTES: 3-0-0.**

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 130 **9. NEXT MEETING – JUNE 9, 2023**

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 132 **10. NON-PUBLIC SESSION, NH RSA 91-A:3, II, (c):**

133 **MOTION** to enter Non-Public Session under NH RSA 91-A:3, II, (c), Selectman Thackston,
 134 **SECOND** by Selectman Hopkins. **By Roll Call Vote:** Chasse, Yes; Hopkins, Yes; Thackston,
 135 Yes.

137 The Board entered non-public session at 6:23 p.m.

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139 **MOTION** to exit Non-Public Session under NH RSA 91-A:3, II, (c), Selectman Thackston,
140 **SECOND** by Selectman Hopkins. **By Roll Call Vote:** Chasse, Yes; Hopkins, Yes; Thackston,
141 Yes.

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143 The Board exited the non-public session at 7:04 p.m.

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146 **11. ADJOURNMENT:**

147 **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting Selectman Hopkins, **SECOND** by Selectman Thackston.

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150 *The Board of Selectmen meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.*

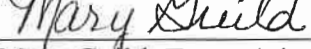
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152 **TROY SELECT BOARD:**

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157 Mary Guild, Town Administrator

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TJ Chasse, Chairman

Curtis Hopkins


Richard H. Thackston, III