

**Merrimack Town Council
Nonpublic Minutes
October 13, 2022**

Present: Chairman Finlay Rothhaus, Vice Chairman Nancy Harrington, Councilor Tom Koenig, Councilor Hunter, Councilor Nancy Murphy, Councilor Barbara Healey and Councilor Lon Woods. Also in attendance were Town Manager Paul Micali and Human Resources Director Sharon Marunicz

Chairman Rothhaus called the meeting to order at 6:15pm

MOTION – Vice Chairman Harrington moved, seconded by Councilor Hunter to enter into nonpublic session at 6:16 PM for, **RSA 91-A:3, II (a) - Personnel and RSA 91-A:3, II (d) - Consideration of acquisition, sale, or lease of real or personal property.**
Motion passed by roll call vote 7-0-0.

RSA 91-A:3, II (a) - Personnel

Town Manager Micali updated the Town Council the five (5) grievances the Town received from AFSCME 2986:

- AFSCME 2986-
 - Posting of Positions (both internally and externally at the same time)
 - Working Out of Class (teamster Employee doing AFSCME work)
 - Contracting out services (Maintenance at WWTF)
 - Hiring Part-time employees (Mechanic WWTF)
 - Wells – 16 hours of overtime on a day he is scheduled to work

Manager Micali informed the Town Council of a Police investigation related to one of the Town's officers. The officer falsified records on a federal grant. The County Attorney is opening an investigation into the officer's conduct

In addition, Manager Micali updated the Town Council on the progress on the Reorganization of Wastewater and Environmental Engineer:

Town Manager Micali met with Sarita Croce and she is interested in accepting the position. We are currently working on a job description for the new Deputy Director of Public Work's position. Town Manager Micali estimated the new position description will be ready by November.

RSA 91-A:3, II (d) - Consideration of acquisition, sale, or lease of real or personal property

Town Manager Micali discussed with the Town Council the conversation that he had with Jack Longa. Mr. Longa would like at least three (3) years to work the land. He would like the deal to get done sooner rather than later. When discussing the purchase, Town Manager Micali said the Town would be more than willing to name something after the Longa's whether it is a field or a building. The tract of land is 102 acres and has an assessed value of \$1,181,402 (the land is far more valuable to the Town than the current assessed value). Manager Micali feels that a good starting point is \$2,250,000 with a three (3) year lease back for the Longas to clean up the property.

Manager Micali also stated that the Longas would be responsible for a Level II environmental review. A discussion on how to proceed occurred. The Town Council said they would be willing to look at some type of agreement to enter into the purchase of the land. If an agreement is in reach the Town Council would like to see it before any purchase and sale is signed.

MOTION – Councilor Koenig moved, seconded by Councilor Murphy, to close the nonpublic session at 7:00 PM.


Motion passed unanimously by roll call 7-0-0

MOTION – Councilor Hunter moved, seconded by Councilor Healey, to seal the nonpublic minutes

Motion passed unanimously by roll call 7-0-0

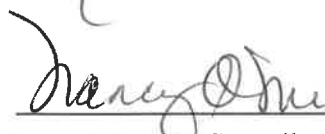
MOTION – Councilor Woods moved, seconded by Councilor Murphey, to adjourn the public session at 7:01 PM.

Motion passed unanimously by roll call 7-0-0

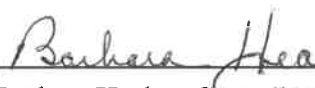


Finlay C. Rothhaus, Chairman

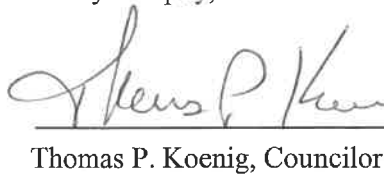
Nancy M. Harrington, Vice Chair




Nancy Murphy, Councilor



Barbara Healey, Councilor



Thomas P. Koenig, Councilor



Lon Woods, Councilor



Andy Hunter, Councilor

Respectfully submitted by Paul T. Micali