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Selectmen: Jeffrey Northgraves Sue Snow John Spear

Selectboard Minutes Date August 31, 2023, 4:00 PM at the Municipal Building Items Are Often Taken Out of Order to Accommodate Schedules

Note: A listing as present does not denote attendance for the entire meeting.

South Thomaston Selectboard Present: John Spear, Jeff Northgraves, Sue

Snow

Others Present: Hannah Moholland, Sandra Wallace

Via Zoom: Catherine Lerme

I. Call to Order

Northgraves called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Northgraves led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Adjustments to Agenda

No adjustments

IV. Public Comment for Items not on the Agenda

No Public Comment

V. Old Business

a. Update on Possible Land Purchase

Spear moved and Snow seconded a motion that pursuant to the authority granted to the Selectboard by Article 7, as passed at the 2023 South Thomaston Annual Town meeting, that the Selectboard, in the name of the Town, purchase three parcels of land from Jeffery T. Smith for the sum of \$50,000. Said parcels of land, consisting of 118 acres, more or less, identified on the town's tax map as Map 008 Lot 005, Map 009 Lot 006 and Map 013 Lot 006 and as are more particularly described in deeds from Irving F. Smith and Marilyn K. Smith, dated December 21, 1998, found at Book 2310 Pages 183 and 185. I further move to authorize the Town Treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$50,000 to the James Strong Trust Account upon delivery of two

deeds from Smith for said parcels that are satisfactory to Attorney James Strong.

Motion passed 3-0.

Lerme questioned the survey information on the plots to which Spear stated that they have the preliminary survey, however, do not have a certified/signed copy of the survey.

Lerme also stated that if there were a fee for the survey, they would need documentation certifying the requirements and standards of LMF with the least possible cost and that one of the conditions of LMF was that the plots be free from any liens or disputes. Spear mentioned that they will get the title opinion from Jim before closing and that the property taxes would be prorated, Smith just like Cline will pay the first 54-58 days and then the balance will be brought to the next Select Board Meeting and for the selectboard to then abate the cost. Northgraves replied that they will not get a survey until they need one.

V. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:12 PM

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