



CHESTER BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
and ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
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**Monday, August 14, 2023**

Open meeting—This meeting was held at the Chester Town Hall, in the Auditorium with a virtual option.

Selectboard members present, John Baldasaro and Andy Sutton, Brian Forgue was on virtual. Town Hall staff present included Administrative Assistant Terry Donovan, Finance Committee member Andy Myers, Water Commissioners Bob Daley, Town Collector Mary Ann Pease, Highway Super Chip Dazelle, BOH members, Liz Massa, and Nick Chuisano and COA Directors, Kiersen Broman and Ann Daley and Fire Chief Henry Fristik.. Also attending Craig Gauthier, Pat Post, Elaine Gilmore, John and Wilma Foley, Bob Broga, Shelly and Rich Holzman, Ritchie Small, and Ellen Colson.

John opened the meeting after the Special Town Meeting at 6:20pm, warrants, minutes and all correspondence were signed.

- **Chip Dazelle Highway Superintendent update:**

See notes attached. Rich Holzman approached Chip letting him know that the Sheriffs Dept. would come help clean the cemeteries and paint if time permits. Rich wants DPW to cart away brush. Brian Forgue also stated he spoke to Jessica Slatcher and Rich about this and thinks it's a good idea. Brian stated the DPW is adamant about not helping. Chip responded he would love to help but it needs to be a directive from The Town Admin or selectboard to do it and schedule it. He told Rich that and Rich said he would not talk to Don about it. John and Andy said a request like this needs to come to the selectboard so they can see if Chip can schedule it in. Chip cannot do special requests for everyone and needs to be scheduled.

- **Mary Ann Pease-Hilltown Community Ambulance**

Budget has been signed. They have purchased a new vehicle, a 2011 Ford X650 used, from NC. You will see it in use soon, will be Hilltown Ambulance colors of blue and white.

- **Co-Directors of COA progress report and Update on Code of Conflict**

Ann said she has reached out to 65 COA Directors and is waiting for their feedback on a code of conflict. She said when it is done she will submit to legal for his feedback.

Keirsen submitted one to Don last week but Ann didn't like that one. Keirsen said it had been a bad week in the COA, but that they did have a talk today and Keirsen wants to back down from what she is doing.



Ann wanted to know why the selectboard chose co-directors, John said because each showed good qualities, Ann the more clinical side and Keiresn the social side. And the residents want more social activities.

Bob Daley interjected that this should aired out in an executive session. You are whacking around a pinata who is my wife. He also called the selectboard a kangaroo court. John stated this did not qualify for an executive session.

Rich Holzman suggested making someone an assistant director.

Pat Post spoke about how Ann badgers people, nags veterans, never greets people, there is no joy in the COA.

Elaine Gilmore said Keirsen wants to do things and Ann says no, add more meals, Ann says no. Elaine said she wants her senior center back.

Ann said there have been Physical and verbal threats to both her and Keirsen. Andy asked from a resident? Ann said no from town employees.

John wants the three members of the selectboard present to discuss further. Tabling this for now.

- **Town Administrator Report**

Don said the invoices that the BOH wanted him to do can only include the demolition costs, per town consul.

Liz said ruling on Crane rd. will be on Thursday she will send to Don when she receives it.

Mary Ann said she received a letter from Emery st owner stating she will be walking away from the property. Maryann will forward to everyone.

Don and Chief Henry will be meeting with Blandford to discuss shared Chief.

The theater will be out by August 25<sup>th</sup>.

Bids on fuel, oil and propane will be emailed to selectboard

Waiting for bids from auditors

Town credit card- still researching, plan is a bit cumbersome right now

Faded Flowers public meeting om 8/22 at Emery Field, John motion to approve, Andy seconded.

- **Public Comment**

Andy Sutton informs us there is a DEP awards banquet at the train station next Tuesday at 11:00, the town will be getting money to help with the culvert repair on Abbott Hill Rd

Andy Sutton also stated there is concern from the Chief Financial Officer (Andy Myers) about the town administrator and his inability to comprehend financial issues surrounding his job, John said to put that on as an agenda item for next meeting.

Ann Daley said she was over to the old school and the ceiling tiles are bowed from water leaking, pools of water in the basement, ceiling tiles are moldy and need to be removed. Nick said he would take a look to see if anything is leaking but thinks its just from dampness.

Craig Gauthier said there are low hanging wires on Emery St , Ann said they are comcast lines and they have been called, can Don call and see if he can get more of a response.

John called to adjourn , Andy seconded, Meeting adjourned at 8:02pm

## Select board meeting 08/14/23

- 1] Patches have been completed on Bromley and Johnson hill
- 2] Mowing is still going east river, skyline, Bromley
- 3] Excavator has gone out for a new track
- 4] Ditches on Bromley are scheduled to be repaired with in 2 weeks by cemetery
- 5] Maynard hill at the bottom culvert will be replaced by the lower in the road with more room where it washes the road out.
- 6] Have 2 estimates for security cameras at the highway
- 7] Catch basins have been cleaned thru out the town
- 8] Had a citizen call me Friday 8/11/23 and say he has the sheriff dept coming to work in Bromley Road cemetery and I will have highway with equipment and manpower to help. Told him to talk to Don and schedule, he said he is not talking to don. I do not schedule work by citizens unless approved by the board or I determine it needs to be done.

**Skyline Alarms, LLC**

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 Blandford, MA 01008  
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 MA LIC # 20010-C1  
 CT LIC # ELC.0207921-C5

Quotation	
Quote #	Date
6	5/26/2023
Customer ID	Valid Until
2	7/1/2023

**Customer Information**

Chester Highway Department  
 Chip Dazelle  
 (413)-977-2434  
 highwaysuper@townofchester.net  
 2 Town Rd  
 Chester, MA 01011

**Discription of Work**

We will be installing a new CCTV system.

Itemized Costs	QTY	Unit Price	Amount
Capture NVR- R2-NVR8C2TB	1	\$390.00	\$390.00
Capture Monitor- 0E-20LED2	1	\$260.00	\$260.00
Capture Back Box	4	\$32.50	\$130.00
Capture Camera- R2-5MPBLMTRZ	4	\$215.80	\$863.20
Cable- 0E-CAT5RWH	1	\$130.00	\$130.00
Labor	18	\$110.00	\$1,980.00
<b>Thank you for your business!</b>		<b>Subtotal</b>	\$3,753.20
If this quote is signed and paid for before 7/1/2023 we will take off 25% of the total balance, equaling <b>\$2,946.15</b> .		<b>Other</b>	\$175
		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,928.20</b>

This quotation is not a contract or a bill. The customer will be billed after indicating acceptance of this quote. Downpayment of 50% will be due prior to the delivery of service and goods. The remaing 50% will be due upon completion. Please print, sign, date, and return the accepted quote via email.

**Customer Acceptance**

X		
Signature	Printed Name	Date

If you have any questions, please contact Kris or Steve at skylinealarmslc@gmail.com



**Chester Highway Department**

Prepared by: deRenzy Business Technologies  
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**Security Camera System**

**Upgraded NVR System with Increased Storage:** **\$1,800.00**

Includes 5 cameras with 4, 4k cameras and large PTZ camera and upgraded (12 TB) storage capacity.

**Misc. Products:** **\$395.00**

43" smart TV

2 5-port PoE switches

**Labor and Materials:** **\$1,600.00**

13 hours labor

**To Include:**

NVR and camera firmware/software updates. Prestaging.

Upgrading, installing and formatting of new storage drives.

Camera mounting, setup, and configuration.

Cable runs, mounting and termination.

User training.

6x Cable Runs @ \$50 each

Ethernet cable, keystone jacks, rj45 connectors, cable boots, cable ties.

HDMI Cable


**Total:** **\$3,795.00**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

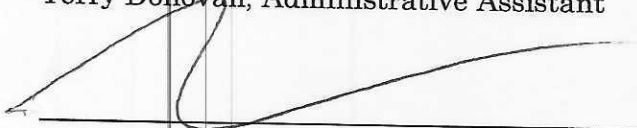


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Respectfully Submitted

  
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Terry Donovan, Administrative Assistant

8/28/23  
Date Signed

  
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John Baldasaro, Chairman

8/28/23  
Date Signed

  
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Andy Sutton, Vice Chairman

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Date Signed

  
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Brian Forgue, Clerk

8/28/23  
Date Signed