

Town of Winchester

Board of Selectmen

Special Meeting

Wednesday August 21, 2023

Item 1 **Call to Order**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Todd Arcelaschi at 3:54pm

Attending Members	Todd Arcelaschi (Mayor)	Jonathan Morhardt (Selectman)
	Candy Perez (Selectman)	Jack Bourque (Selectman)
	Candace Bouchard (Selectman)	Linda Groppo (Selectman)
	Steve Sedlack (Selectman)	

Staff Members	Glenn Albanesius (Town Clerk)
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Item 2 **Executive Session**

A) Town Manager

Item 3 **Discussion and Possible action on Executive Session Item**

* A motion was made to enter Executive Session at 3:55pm.

Motion - Sel. Perez / Second - Sel. Bouchard

Vote to approve - Unanimous (7 - 0)

* The Board returned from Executive Session at 5:23pm with Mayor Arcelaschi reading the following prepared statement.

"It is with regret that the Town of Winchester Board of Selectmen accept the resignation of Town Manager Josh Kelly effective October 20, 2023. Josh Kelly was the right person at the right time to take over the leadership of the town.

There have been many challenges and success during his tenure. We are appreciative of his skills in grant writing bringing Winchester/Winsted over 6 million in two years, completing our move to a AA Bond rating, establishment of business recruiting with startups and façade improvement, of his ability to move forward and complete an employee policy handbook, implementing various software programs and the Winsted Wire to improve community communication and connection, and the multimillion dollar road improvement work. He has been an asset to the Town and we wish him well.

The Board of Selectmen has arranged for former Town manager Robert Geiger to serve as the interim manager while we conduct a thorough search for Winsted's next leader. We anticipate the search process will take between four to six months. We are confident the Town will continue our forward progress."

Item 4

Adjournment

* Motion - Sel. Perez / Second - Sel. Bouchard

To adjourn the meeting at 5:26pm

Vote to approve - Unanimous (7 - 0)

ATTEST:

Glenn Albanesius, Town Clerk

These Minutes are subject to formal approval at the next scheduled meeting. Any amendments, corrections or revisions will be noted in the next Meeting Minutes.

