

UNAPPROVED

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 26, 2023

This meeting was called to order by Zeke Goodband at 6:00 pm at the Community Center in Dummerston, Vermont.

Members present: Zeke Goodband, Maria Glabach, Terry Chapman, David Baxendale

Members absent: Rebecca Lotka

Also present: Brian Guerino-BCTV

Minutes:

On a motion by Terry and second from David the Board voted 4-0 to approve the minutes from January 11, 2023 and January 18, 2023.

Warrants:

On a motion by Terry and second from Maria the Board voted 4-0 to approve the payment of warrants 15 & 15P.

The warrant includes an ARPA payable of \$1,350.00 for the Community Center building inspection.

ARPA Funding: None

Public Comments: None

Road Foreman's Report:

FEMA update: None

Road crew has been working on storms, with no breakdowns to report. Lee met with Dan Jenks regarding the covered bridge decking. Lee will be at the next meeting.

Correspondence for Information: None

Correspondence for Discussion and/or Action:

Windham County Sheriff Department will be hosting a discussion on Regional Policing on February 9th. Terry will attend.

The Board received an email from the Conservation Commission regarding the Boards vote at the January 11th meeting to not proceed with the town permitting for the covered bridge steps. The motion failed on a 2-2 vote. The Commission requested a meeting to discuss. Maria will resend to the Board an email received from Bob Fisher, Town Attorney.

Windham Regional Commission will be facilitating a Municipal Energy Resilience Grant Program (Act 172). David will be the point person and will let WRC know.

New Business:

ARPA Updates & Discussion: Zeke is waiting on more information regarding the warning lights for the covered bridge. The Board as received and will review the building inspection report for the Community Center. At first glance, the building is in good shape. Rick Davis will put together a proposal to install a new hot water heater and pressure tank.

Terry will be meeting with PACIF to review the insurance coverage for the Community Center and the Historical Society building.

On a motion by David and second from Terry the Board voted 4-0 to approve the Farmland Protection Committee request for \$3500.00 for a property appraisal. Terry will let Charlotte know and Zeke will let Jack Manix know this was approved.

On a motion by Maria and second from Terry the Board voted 4-0 to appoint Lew Teich as the alternate representative to Rescue, Inc. Zeke will let him know and Terry will let Harold Newell know.

On a motion by Maria and second from Terry the Board voted 4-0 to approve voting by Australian ballot on all articles usually presented at the March 2023 Town Meeting as allowed in Act 42.

On a motion by Terry and second from David the Board voted 4-0 to authorize the Town Clerk to mail absentee ballots out upon request from voters. Terry will let Laurie know.

On a motion by Terry and second from David the Board voted 4-0 to approve the FY 2024 proposed budget. Maria will send it to the Auditors, Laurie and Charlotte.

On a motion by Maria and second from Terry the Board voted 4-0 to approve the Town Meeting Warning.

The Board will hold a Zoom Town Meeting informational meeting. This must be held within 10 days prior of March 7th. Zeke will check with Cindy Jerome and BCTV to see if March 1st at 7 pm works for them. Roger Jasaitis will host the Zoom meeting.

Unfinished Business: None

There being no other business to come before the Board, Maria made the motion and second from Terry, the meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Approved

Zeke Goodband, Chair

Terry Chapman, Vice-Chair

Submitted by Maria Glabach, Clerk