

## UNAPPROVED

### SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 20, 2024

This meeting was called to order by Todd Davidson, Chair, at 6:00 pm at the Town Office in Dummerston, Vermont & on Zoom.

**Members present:** Todd Davidson, Maria Glabach, Alex Wilson, Tom Nolan, Paul Adler

**Members present on Zoom:**

**Members absent:** none

**Also present:** Gail Sorenson, Ruth Hoffman, Lee Chamberlin, Jack Manix

**Also Present on Zoom:** Paul Normandeau

The Board and Lee discussed the possibility of creating a separate paving fund. This would pull the line item out of the Highway budget. Creating a separate fund would need to be approved at Town Meeting. Todd will look into maybe adding paving as a line item in the Capital Plan or to the Structures Fund.

Lee and the Board also discussed speeding in Town. Alex mentioned lowering the speed limit to 30. Lee didn't think it would make a big difference. He felt the layout of the road controls speeding. Paul Normandeau said this was an issue every Selectboard has been dealing with for 30 plus years.

**Farmland Protection:**

Jack Manix talk with the Board regarding the budget request of \$5,000. The Farmland Committee feels protecting farmland is an important part of keeping property taxes reduced.

**Fire Department:**

The Board discussed the proposed budget request of \$110,364. Todd will send them a list of line item questions and invite them to the budget meeting on December 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Library:**

The Board discussed the proposed budget. Alex sent an email to Catamount with questions and is waiting on a response. Todd will invite them to the budget meeting on December 4<sup>th</sup>.

**General Fund:**

The Board continued reviewing General Fund line items. Paul would like the Board to consider using some of the remaining ARPA funds to pay for additional Sheriff hours for a year.

If a new fund is set up for paving, then that line item would be removed from the budget. Also, the line painting line would be removed until the year that actual paving would take place.

There being no other business to come before the Board, Maria made the motion and second from Alex, the meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.

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Approved

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Todd Davidson, Chair

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Alex Wilson, Vice-Chair

Submitted by Maria Glabach, Clerk