



**TOWN OF
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SELECTBOARD**

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*Minutes
Selectboard*

Wednesday, October 4, 2023

Selectboard members present: Eddie Arnold, Brendan Denchy, Steve Russo, Ed Perry, and Brian Rater along with Town Administrator Scott Butcher.

6:00pm *Eddie opened the public meeting and moved, seconded by Brendan, to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A:3 II (a) personnel; Voted Yes 5-0.*

6:29pm *Eddie moved, seconded by Ed, to come out of non-public session and seal the minutes; Voted Yes 5-0.*

6:30pm *Eddie resumed the public meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and read the ground rules for hybrid meetings.*

Public Input and Announcements

Brendan announced there will be no parking allowed from 9:00am on Saturday October 14th through noon time on Sunday October 15th on Scabbard Mill Brook Road from Route 13 up to #10 during the Ghost Train Race.

Approve Minutes

Steve moved, seconded by Brian, to accept the public minutes from the Tuesday, September 5th meeting as amended; Voted Yes 5-0. Brendan moved, seconded by Steve, to approve the public minutes from the Monday September 18th and September 25th meetings as written; Voted Yes 5-0. Brendan moved, seconded by Steve, to approve 8 sets of non-public minutes from the Monday, September 18th meeting as written; Voted Yes 5-0. Brendan moved, seconded by Ed, to approve 3 sets of non-public minutes from the Monday, September 25th meeting as written; Vote Yes 5-0.

Approve Warrants

Steve moved, seconded by Ed, to approve Accounts Payable Warrant #39 in the amount of \$1,106,287.69, Revised Payroll Warrant #40 in the amount of \$76,935.02, and Police & Fire Detail in the amount of \$3,163.13; Voted Yes 5-0.

Conservation Commission Appointment

Brendan moved, seconded by Brian to appoint Drew Kellner as Full Member to the Conservation Commission until March 31, 2025; Voted Yes 5-0.

Welfare Officer Position Opening

The Town Welfare Officer position will be open effective January 1, 2024. The position pays an annual stipend of \$7,500 for 8-10 hours a week. Interested residents can apply to Town Administrator **Scott Butcher** by October 27, 2023.

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Bond Street Bridge Engineering Oversight Presentations

Weston & Sampson, Greenman-Pedersen, and Quantum Construction Consultants, respectively, presented the details of their bids for the Bond Street Bridge Engineering Oversight Project. The Selectboard plans to award the bid at the next meeting on Monday, Oct 16th.

Discuss Town Hall Repairs

Scott said Team Engineering and the slate roofing company have made recommendations for aluminum gutters vs copper, downspouts, snow brakes and slate roofing. The Board needs to decide which is the most durable yet economical way to go. **Scott** will reach out and get material pricing for the next meeting. **Scott** reviewed options for dealing with 2 dry wells discovered outside the building and other issues.

HR Project Update

Scott reviewed the pros and cons of the short and long versions of the employee questionnaire from MRI. He said we also said we need to decide what peer towns to use for comparison. Next meeting with MRI is Friday October 13th.

Update on TAP Project Schedule

Scott updated the Board on the most recent change orders and said the completion date is October 27th. Next meeting is tomorrow at 2pm.

Board/Committee Updates

MPMC **Eddie** updated the Board.

NRPC **Steve** updated the Board.

Visioning Committee **Brendan** updated the Board.

Conservation Commission **Brendan** updated the Board.

Cemetery Trustees **Brian** updated the Board.

Perambulation Committee **Ed** updated the Board.

Any Other Old/New Business

The Board signed a Mutual Aid Agreement with the Town of Townsend Police Department and the Brookline Police Department.

Review Items for Next Meeting's Agenda

Town Hall Repairs

HR Project

Bond St Bridge

Tap Update

Meet with Library

Budget Review

DRA Letter Unassigned Fund Balance

Review Mail Folder

The Board reviewed the mail folder.

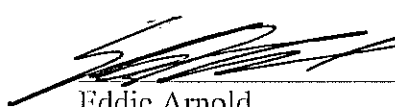
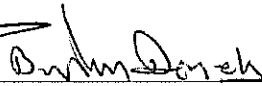
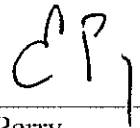
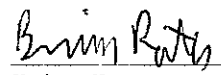
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9:35pm *Eddie moved, seconded by Ed, to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A:3 II (a)personnel (c)reputation and (l)legal, potentially others; Roll Call Vote Yes 5-0.*

10:27pm *Eddie moved, seconded by Brendan, to come out of non-public session and seal the minutes; Roll Call Vote 5-0.*

10:28pm Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Sharon Sturtevant

 _____ Eddie Arnold	 _____ Brendan Denchy	_____ Steve Russo
 _____ Ed Perry	 _____ Brian Rater	