

**MINUTES – SPECIAL SELECTBOARD MEETING  
TOWN OF BARNET, VERMONT  
MONDAY, AUGUST 16, 2021**

**Meeting convened at 10:00 a.m. in the conference room of the Barnet Fire & Rescue Station.**

**Board members present:** Dylan Ford, Benjamin Gates (presiding co-chair), and Mark Jefferson.

**Other Town officials and employees present:** Road Foreman Mark Chase and Town Clerk Benjamin Heisholt.

**Members of the public present:** None

**1. Consideration of, and take action on, candidates for employment for full-time Highway Department position**

- Ms. Ford moved to enter executive session to consider candidates for employment for full-time Highway Department position pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(3). Seconded by Mr. Jefferson and approved by voice vote. Entered executive session at 10:00 a.m. Those present in executive session: Ms. Ford, Mr. Gates, Mr. Jefferson, Road Foreman Mark Chase, and Town Clerk Benjamin Heisholt.
- Ms. Ford moved to exit executive session. Seconded by Mr. Jefferson and approved by voice vote. Exited executive session at 10:14 a.m.
- Ms. Ford moved to offer a full-time Highway Department position, with a six-month introductory probationary period, to Christopher Bunnell. Seconded by Mr. Gates and approved by voice vote.

**2. Consideration of, and take any action on, Town Hall boundary line research, discussion, and negotiations (executive session anticipated pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(F))**

- Ms. Ford moved that the Board make a specific finding, pursuant to 1 V.S.A. Section 313 (a)(1)(F), that premature public knowledge of discussion concerning Town Hall boundary line research, discussions, and negotiations, including confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the Board, would clearly place the Town of Barnet at a substantial disadvantage. Seconded by Mr. Jefferson and approved by voice vote.
- Ms. Ford moved that the Board enter executive session pursuant to 1 V.S.A. Section 313 (a)(1)(F) to discuss Town Hall boundary line research, discussions, and negotiations, including confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the Board, as premature public disclosure of which would clearly place the Town of Barnet at a substantial disadvantage. Seconded by Mr. Jefferson and approved by voice vote. Entered executive session at 10:20 a.m. Those present in executive session: Ms. Ford, Mr. Gates, Mr. Jefferson, and Town Clerk Benjamin Heisholt.
- Ms. Ford moved to exit executive session. Seconded by Mr. Jefferson and approved by voice vote. Exited executive session at 10:35 p.m.
- Ms. Ford moved sign a Settlement Agreement and Boundary Line Agreement as received from Town Attorney Steven Adler and signed by Suzann Duquette and Jan Enthoven August 3, 2021. Seconded by Mr. Jefferson and approved by voice vote. The Board signed the agreement.

**3. Other business**

No other business was discussed.

**4. Adjournment**

Ms. Ford moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Jefferson and approved by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

*A true copy.*

*Attest:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Town Clerk*