

MINUTES - REGULAR SELECTBOARD MEETING

TOWN OF BARNET, VERMONT

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2024

Meeting convened at 7:00 p.m. in-person at Barnet Fire & Rescue Station (151 Bimson Drive) and via GoToMeeting telephone/online conference. This meeting was recorded via GoToMeeting.

Board members participating:

- **In-person:** Dylan Ford, Benjamin Gates (presiding co-chair), and Mark Jefferson.
- **Via GoToMeeting online video conference:** None.

Other Town officials and employees participating:

- **In-person:** Town Clerk Benjamin Heisholt, Moderator Dennis McLam, and Zoning Administrative Officer Shirley Warden.
- **Via GoToMeeting online video conference:** None.

Members of the public participating:

- **In-person:** None.
- **Via GoToMeeting online video conference:** None.

Approval of Minutes

1. Consideration of approval of minutes of regular meeting held February 12, 2024

- Mr. Jefferson moved to approve as presented the minutes of the regular meeting held February 12, 2024. Seconded by Ms. Ford and approved by voice vote.

Appearances by Members of the Public

2. Other business presented by members of the public

There was no other business presented by members of the public.

Appearances by Town Officers

3. Appearance by Road Foreman Mark Chase regarding Highway Department matters; take any action

Mr. Chase did not appear at this meeting. In his absence the Board considered the below-described matters:

- a. Consideration of, any take any action on, highway and bridge weight restrictions**
The Board reviewed a list of highway and bridge weight restrictions for the current year; these, which have already been applied commencing February 10, 2024, are the same as applied the previous year.

- Ms. Ford moved to ratify the highway and bridge weight restrictions as applied. Seconded by Mr. Jefferson and approved by voice vote.

- b. Consideration of, and take any action on, applications for Uniform Municipal Excess Weight Permits**

- The Board reviewed and approved the fleet applications of Bethel Mills, Inc., Consolidated Communications, and N.A. Manosh, Inc.

c. Other business

No other business was discussed.

4. Consideration of, and take any action on, Listers' Certificate of No Appeal or Suit Pending

The Board reviewed the Certificate, as signed by the Listers, certifying that there are no appeals pending from action of the Listers nor suits to recover taxes paid under protest.

- The Board signed the certificate.

5. Other business presented by other town officers

a. Moderator Dennis McLam regarding Annual Town Meeting

Mr. McLam appeared to discuss with the Board the Annual Town Meeting to be held March 5, 2024.

- No action taken.

New Business

6. Consideration of, and take any action on, next steps in Town Hall project

a. Progress report

Mr. Gates discussed recent developments in the renovation process, including construction of the second level of the vault, which is nearing completion. Mr. Gates's building working group is scheduled to meet the Monday following this meeting.

b. Other business

i. Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Amendment

The Board reviewed a proposed amendment to the GMP contract. The Amendment states the contract sum guaranteed by the Construction Manager is not to exceed \$1,127,255.00.

- The Board signed the amendment.

7. Warning: Annual Review of Ordinance for Regulating All-Terrain Vehicles to be held March 11, 2024

The Board reviewed a warning of the annual review to be held, pursuant to the ordinance, at the first regular Board meeting following Annual Town Meeting.

8. Other business presented by Selectboard

No other business was presented by the Selectboard.

Check Warrants

9. Consideration of approval of outstanding check warrants

- The Board reviewed and approved all outstanding check warrants.

Anticipated Executive Session(s)

10. Consideration of, and take any action on, zoning permit application for parcel #0014-01-70 (executive session anticipated pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 313 (a)(1)(E))

Zoning Administrative Officer Shirley Warden indicated that there was no new information to discuss or on which to take action regarding this matter.

- No action taken.

Adjournment

11. Adjournment

- Ms. Ford moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Jefferson and approved by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

A true copy. Attest: _____ *Town Clerk*