

# **Town of Danbury**

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES**

### **Wednesday, October 15, 2025**

*Members present: Jessica Hatch, James Farmer and Frances Bliss, along with Administrative Assistant Holly Surgens*

*In attendance: Lexus Menzies, Ruben Sanchez, Nicole Crowell, Bruce Bourassa, Diane Blasotto, Edward Esty, Maggie Winn, Lenny Ryan, Peter Brigham, John LaVorgna*

*Jessica Hatch opened the meeting at 6:02pm*

#### **Appointments**

- John LaVorgna @ 6pm to discuss roofing on fire station and roller shed.
  - *John went over product proposed and what should be done for both buildings.*
- Diane Blasotto @ 6:30pm to discuss her interpretation of the Selectboard's role regarding private residences.
  - *Diane addressed the selectmen. No specific subject or questions presented.*
- Lexus Menzies/Owners of 52 Danbury Woods Rd @ 7:00pm to discuss outhouse and camper permit.
  - *Property owners, Lexus Menzies, Ruben Sanchez, Nicole Crowell, and Bruce Bourassa discussed with the selectmen their future plans for the property and continued use of campers on the property. Owners have indicated they do have future plans to build and will obtain a septic design within the next year to two years. They are requesting a permit to use a composting toilet until a septic system is installed. They only visit the property on occasional weekends. The selectmen also addressed complaints regarding sounds of shooting late at night and ATVs being used on the town road. The owners stated they do not shoot guns late at night and have since learned they cannot use the roadway for ATV use.*
- Jeremy Martin @ 7:30pm
  - *Discussion of Bristol ambulance contract with raised amount for 2026 and proposed safety building complex to be placed on warrant for 2026.*

#### **Consent/Signature Agenda**

- Payroll/Accounts payable
- Timber Yield Tax Levy – Parseghian - \$2,414.15
- Timber Yield Tax Levy – Swanson - \$1,079.70
- Timber Yield Tax Levy – Young - \$592.35
  - *Timber Yield Tax reports were tabled. Board asked that they be forwarded to timber assessor for additional review.*
- Purchase order – Holly – checks - \$580.97
- MS-1 Report
- Monthly Reconciliation Reports for July, August and September
- HealthTrust Benefits Renewal Package – Town provided Employee Health Insurance plan – *increase for 2026 from \$1,114 to \$1,190 per person.*
  - *Jessica Hatch made a motion to sign all items except for Timber Yield Tax Levy which will be forwarded to the timber assessor, seconded by James Farmer, all in favor.*

#### **Building/Driveway Permit Applications**

- 50-2025B | Brewer | 412-107 | 3 Lake Side Dr. | Demolition of existing home and construction of a new home 24' x 43.5' and construction of a 22' x 24' garage
  - *Jessica Hatch made a motion to approve the permit, seconded by James Farmer, all in favor*

- 56-2025B | Lindley | 411-118 | 10 Ragged Mountain Rd | Interior renovation of the first floor of home – to include floor replacement, bathroom remodel and replacement of kitchen cabinets
  - *Jessica Hatch made a motion to approve the permit, seconded by James Farmer, all in favor*
- 57-2025B | Deuink | 410-099 | 59 Buttrick Rd | Construction of 36' x 36' pole barn
  - *Jessica Hatch made a motion to approve the permit, seconded by James Farmer, all in favor*
- 58-2025B | Martin | 201-006 | 199 Old Turnpike Rd | 10' x 16' shed
  - *James Farmer made a motion to approve the permit, seconded by Frances Bliss, all in favor*
- 36-2025B | Cromwell, Menzies, Sanchez, Bourassa | 52 Danbury Woods Rd | RV use and storage
  - *Jessica Hatch made a motion to approve the permit with composting toilet to be used for one year and will return at that time with septic design, seconded by James Farmer, 2-1 in favor*
- 13-2025D | Taylor | 415-055 | Tommy Higgins Rd | Permanent Driveway application
  - *Jessica Hatch made a motion to approve the permit, seconded by James Farmer, all in favor*

## **Old Business**

- Updated meeting time with Kelby on 10/22

## **New Business**

- Fire station and roller shed roof replacement.

## **Selectmen – (materials in your personal folders)**

- From Kyle Levesque – Proposed schedule for Hazard Mitigation Plan Update
  - *Schedule reviewed – Will let Kyle know the dates are fine.*
- Walden Renewables Pilot program information (FYI)

## **FYI**

- Review quotes for Fire Dept roof replacement
- Town of Sanbornton – Notice of Hearing
- From HealthTrust – Open enrollment notices & resources email/Update regarding risk pools
- NHDOE Newsletter

*All Selectmen and FYI items reviewed*

## **Additional discussion**

- *Edward Esty spoke about assessing of properties affecting town tax revenues – property owners not allowing proper assessments for taxes.*
- *General discussion about improper trash dumping in town and transfer station revenues from fees.*
- *Peter Brigham spoke about Police Dept budget and set time to meet during budget meeting.*
- *Jessica asked Frances about status of Huyler subdivision approval and next scheduled meeting to further discuss plans.*
- *Jessica stated that additional roof estimates were needed before making a final decision on whether or not to move forward with repair this year.*
- *General discussion about final report from Brown Engineering regarding Ragged Mountain Road Improvement project and suggested final work to add more riprap around beehive and repair of two catch basins.*
- *Moderator needed for next voting session.*

***Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:17pm made by Jessica Hatch, seconded by James Farmer, all in favor.***

***Meeting minutes prepared by Holly Surgens and approved by the Selectmen on 11/19/2025***