

Town of Danbury
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
January 26, 2022, 6:00 PM

Members present **Jessica Hatch, Chair, Jim Phelps, Tracy Shepard**
Also, present **Karen Padgett, Administrative Assistant**

Checks/Applications/Signatures)

- **Payroll & accounts payable** were signed.
- Jim motioned to approve the minutes of January 19 as presented. Motion seconded by Tracy and passed unanimously.
- Jim motioned to approve the 2022-2023 tax map contract with CAI for \$1500, seconded by Tracy. Motion passed 3-0.

Old Business

- Letters were sent to and received by Mr. and Mrs. Baptista and Ms. Gofferje regarding the warrant articles proposing the closing of the roads that go only to their residence.
- Jessica will work on the Selectmen’s report for the 2021 annual town report. Dedications were discussed.
- Reed Truck Services has offered to buy the 2008 truck for \$2,500 plus forgiveness of the repair bill and cost of parts to diagnose the current issue(which amounts to \$1500-\$1600). No other offers were received for the truck. Jim motioned to accept the offer from Reed Truck Services, seconded by Tracy. Motion passed 3-0. The radio and other items will be removed by the Road Agent.

New Business

- D Aylward made a request to have the Town hold a Meet the Candidates night.
“Relative to candidates running for open elected positions, for voters’ informed decision-making, I’m requesting the town hold a ‘Meet the Candidates’ open public forum where candidates can introduce themselves, and summarize relevant education, training, and experience for holding public office positions, and field any questions from citizens.”

Jim stated that anyone can hold a meet the candidates night. Very few residents sign up to run for local office and it’s difficult to fill vacant positions. Jessica noted that the sign-up period ends on Friday, and at that time there will be more information as to who is running.

Selectmen Items

- Draft warrant articles were reviewed and discussed. Questions were raised about recommendations. Karen will get information as to whether recommendations can be added to non-monetary warrant articles.
- The warrant article for the Danbury/Alexandra police department merger was discussed. The warrant would grant the Selectmen the authority to do it but does not obligate them if agreeable terms cannot be worked out. Alexandria has put a date of July 1 into their warrant article. Danbury Selectmen are not in favor of adding a date to the warrant article that might obligate them to a deadline. Jessica said that this will give the townspeople the opportunity to make their approval or disapproval known.

Jessica motioned to adjourn at 6:55, seconded by Jim. Motion passed 3-0.

FYI

- D. Aylward RSA 91-a requests and responses (3 requests received)
- 2021 Transfer Station tonnage
- December 2021 property sales
- Information re property adjacent to Town Highway garage – got 2 calls this week for information
- Zaccaria Dredge & Fill Application/state needs more information

Respectfully submitted, Karen Padgett, Administrative Assistant