

# Town of Danbury

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday November 16, 2022, 6:00 PM

**Members present:** Jessica Hatch, Chair, Tracy Shepard, Ruby Hill  
Also present Karen Padgett, Administrative Assistant  
Police Chief Warn

### Appointments:

6:30 Echo Glen residents: Kellie Mulherin, Ron Benoit, Bert Dauphinais, Judy Dauphinais, Vince Dusio, Rich Gamby, Cathe Kearney, Rob McDonald, Claire Tapply, Kameron Villa, Tony Villa  
7:00 Twila Cook, Treasurer  
7:10 Barbra Antonides re big trucks engine breaking in town( did not attend meeting)  
7:15 Ben Elder

At 6:00pm Jessica Hatch opened the meeting.

Jessica motioned to approve the October 31 minutes as written and November 2 minutes as amended for one correction for a repetitive paragraph and the due date for property taxes. Motion seconded by Ruby and passed 3-0.

### Consent/Signature Agenda

- Payroll and accounts payable
- October bank reconciliations
- Intent to Cut/Taylor 409-103,107, and 406-233/ North Road

Jessica motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Ruby. Motion passed unanimously.

### Building Permit Application

- **38-2022B SOMERS/537 US Route 4/409-077** for a 26 x 30 horse barn with metal roof  
Jessica motioned to approve, seconded by Ruby. Motion passed 3-0.

### Old Business

- The furnace replacement at the Town Hall is complete. There is an issue with heat in Police Department office. The plumber will be in tomorrow to fix it.

### New Business

- The MS-60 for 2021 year was reviewed. Ruby motioned to accept the revised auditors report, seconded by Tracy. Motion passed 3-0.

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#### Ruby

The Article 5 Committee has concluded their work and did not reach a consensus on a recommendation for a school funding formula. The Committee was formed for “investigation and consideration” and are not required to propose a suggestion.

**Tracy** summarized the electrical work done at the Town Hall by Offen Electric. New emergency exit signs were installed, outdoor lights on the front corners of the building, and a motion sensor light for the parking lot entrance.

Two quotes have been received to replace the fire alarm box.

There was a general discussion about uses for the remainder of the government building budget. The Board decided that the storage unit at the Highway garage should be purchased. The Town is currently leasing the unit. Also, the Board agreed to have Mango Security replace the fire alarm control panel this year.

For next year, projects include a window and a fan for the first floor of the highway garage. Without airflow, mold is forming in the building.

**Residents of Echo Glen** sent a letter, then scheduled an appointment with the Board of Selectmen to layout their concerns about certain activities and properties in their development.

Richard Gamby addressed the Board about the issues they see in the neighborhood. Their goal is to present their concerns, make the Board aware of problem areas and see what the Town can do to address and find possible solutions to these issues.

Chairman Hatch and Police Chief Warn responded to the group, addressing each issue. The residents thanked the Board for listening and for the information provided.

**Ben and Erin Elder** were in to discuss the letter sent to them regarding a building permit application. They plan to submit an application for their permanent residence and the RV to live in while they construct their home. However, they have concerns that the camper would be taxed. Chairman Hatch said that it would not be taxed. The purpose of the ordinance is to prevent people from living in a camper as a permanent residence.

Also, Jessica asked if the property was being used for anything commercial. He responded no, there is no commercial business at the property.

**Twila Cook, Treasurer**

The treasurer has had issues with treasurer mail being opened so is having all bank mail sent to her home address. The Board asked if she would change it back to the Town address and add “Attn Treasurer”. She agreed to do this.

**FYI**

- NH State Driveway permit for 870 US Route 4 412-051
- Auction payment received – summary of payment
- Letter sent to LRPC regarding commissioner appointments
- School district SB2 meeting schedule
- School building committee looking for members
- NRRRA notice regarding scrap metal loads/ charges will incur if not packed properly
- Recent RTK requests

At 7:59pm Jessica motioned to adjourn, seconded by Ruby. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

The next meeting of the Board of Selectmen will be held on Wednesday, November 30, 2022, at 6pm.

*Respectfully submitted, Karen Padgett, Administrative Assistant*