

Town of Danbury

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday December 28, 2022, 6:00 PM

Members present: Jessica Hatch, Chair, Tracy Shepard, Ruby Hill
Also, Karen Padgett, Administrative Assistant
Road Agent Cornell
Fire Chief Martin

At 6:00pm Jessica Hatch opened the meeting.

Ruby motioned to approve the December 21, 2022, minutes as amended, changing the amount of \$92,000 to \$75,000 as the amount for the loader to be raised by taxation or paid with a two-year note. Motion seconded by Tracy. All in favor.

Consent/Signature Agenda

- Payroll and accounts payable
- Intent to Cut -Walker 414-007 Walker Brook Rd – Access on Barker Road

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

BP Application

- Nile 410-066/1192 Murray Hill Rd – RV while building home/Jessica motioned to approve, seconded by Tracy. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

- The Pemi Baker Solid Waste dues increased over the estimated amount of \$1,709. The dues for 2023 will be \$1,839.
- The insurance appraisal for the 2015 truck repairs is \$6,350.29. The deductible is \$1,000. The Town will receive a check for \$5,350.29 from NH Primex.

New Business

- Jessica motioned to request \$1,000 from the Cemetery Trust Fund for annual maintenance of the cemeteries. Ruby seconded and the motion carried.
- The Town received a notice from NH Department of Environmental Services regarding reports needed for the “Danbury Municipal Landfill”. There was discussion about this, with no one having any knowledge off a landfill in Pine Drive. At one time there was a landfill in South Danbury but that was privately owned. Karen will follow up with the State.

Road Agent Cornell

- An invoice was submitted for the purchase of a plow attachment for the loader as was discussed at the previous meeting. The Board approved the purchase of the plow attachment in the amount of \$22,746.
- Jessica motioned to approve a purchase order for \$1,969.99 to buy an air floor jack. Motion seconded by Ruby and passed unanimously.

Chief Martin

- The Chief wants to use the remainder of his budget to purchase air pac tanks. Because prices have increased, there is not enough money in the airpac capital reserve fund to replace the tanks that are expiring. A purchase order to IPS in the amount of \$5,700 was presented. Jessica motioned to approve the purchase order, seconded by Ruby. Motion passed unanimously.
- Jessica motioned to approve a \$2,100 purchase order to IPS for 2 helmets and a piston intake valve for E3, seconded by Tracy. Motion passed 3-0

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Ruby received information from SAU 4 regarding the decision to move Danbury 5th graders to Bristol Elementary for the next school year. Per SAU Business Administrator Robin Reinhold, there is an empty classroom at BES and Danbury is short on space. The cost of furniture for what she calls “the sixth classroom” is \$7,440. Regarding the possibility of a mobile classroom in Danbury, the facilities director, Jason Torsey, estimated the cost between \$500K and \$700K. Melissa Suckling is Danbury’s School Board representative. She is happy to attend a Selectboard meeting to apprise the BOS of the situation and suggested inviting Pierre Couture, Superintendent of Schools, and Norma Ross, DES principal, to attend as well.

The Board of Selectmen discussed and finalized warrant articles to place on the ballot for March elections. These include deposits to the bridge, property revaluation, and highway equipment funds, purchasing a loader, establishing a road construction fund, and finally a fund for a safety services complex.

At 7:45pm Jessica motioned to adjourn, seconded by Ruby. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

The next meeting of the Board of Selectmen will be held on Wednesday, January 4, 2023, at 6pm.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Padgett, Administrative Assistant