

# SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

6:00PM



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**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:00 PM

**ROLL CALL:** Gary Ferrill, Chair, Lee Bryant, Vice, Geoff Johnson, Dennis Harvey, Gerald Folster *(All present)*

Debbie Hodgins, Administrative Assistant & Nicole MacFarline, Clerk *(Both present)*

*Gary Ferrill read meeting rules regarding the public comment section of the Select Board (SB) meetings. He told the public that the Select Board will hear comments only on items in the current agenda, if a resident has a concern that is not on the agenda then they must present it to the Town Administrator by the Friday before SB meeting, concerns about the town's contractors must be submitted in writing to the SB and will be addressed at the next SB meeting, any concerns regarding town's employees must be submitted in writing to the SB. All Select Board members' email addresses will be available on the town website. He also stated that any profane, abusive, offensive, disrespectful or disparaging comments will be grounds for immediate and permanent expulsion.*

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** This was moved to the end of the meeting due to the Executive Session happening first. Frank Arisimeek, Linda Graban, Cindy Grant and John Williams spoke. Those who had questions were asked to email the Select Board.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None

**APPROVE THE SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES:** *Lee/Dennis 5/0 Accepted*

December 13th, 2023, meeting minutes

January 24th, 2024, meeting minutes

**GUEST:** None

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT REPORT:**

1. Welcoming the Town of Clifton's new Code Enforcement, Alexandria Jesiolowski – *Gary welcomed Alex as the new CEO. She will be letting everyone know how to contact her and what time she will be in the office.*
2. Tree Growth withdrawal penalty - Map 15 Lot 40 – *Lee/Geoff 5/0 Signed/Approved as written*
3. Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles- Vote to approve as written Needs signatures – *Geoff/Lee 5/0*
4. Set a date for Public Hearing on the budget – *Lee/Gerald 5/0 Public Hearing for the budget will be March 13<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. The notice will be posted March 6.*

## **TOWN CLERK:**

Annual Appointments – *Lee/Gerald 5/0 Signed/Accepted*

## **MISCELLANEOUS MONTHLY REPORTS: *Lee/Dennis 5/0 Accepted***

All Informational see attached if available.

Animal Control – See report - Informational.

Cemetery Committee – Minutes January meeting - Informational

Code Enforcement – See report.

Eddington Fire – See report.

School Board Member – See report.

Sheriff – See report - Informational.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

*Lee will be posting roads this Saturday. He would like a letter to go out to residents on the Chick Hill Road within the next couple of weeks regarding tree cutting that will be happening.*

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Trash contract. – Discussion, Vote to accept as written – *Lee/Dennis 5/0 Accepted Casella's contract*

Snowplow Contract & Mowing - Discussion

*Mowing- Lee/Gerald 5/0 Accepted*

*Snowplow – Lee/Gerald 4/1 Accepted Year 24-25 \$85,962, Year 25-26 \$88,540.59, remaining 3 years will be set at \$101,821.68 15% increase*

**PLANNING BOARD:**

1. Draft copy of the December & January meeting minutes – *Next meeting will be Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Minutes accepted as written Lee/Gerald 5/0*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** *Motion to go into: 6:03pm Lee/Dennis 5/0 Motion to go out: 6:19pm Gary/Lee 5/0 Tim Pease and Robert Vanderpool from Rudman & Winchell were present.*

Motion to enter executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S. 405(6)(E), consultations with Town Attorney, regarding duties and responsibilities concerning assessment of personal property tax.

*6:19pm motion to resume regular meeting Lee/Geoff 5/0*

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: Lee/Geoff 5/0

Time: 6:46pm