

Town of New Haven Selectboard Meeting
7:00 pm
Tuesday, November 15, 2022
Town Offices

Selectboard: Chair, John Roleau, Vice Chair, Bruce Many, Kathy Barrett, Taborri Bruhl and Steve Dupoise (via zoom)

Selectboard Assistant: Pam Kingman

Visitors: Dean Gilmore, Beth Ekroos and Eric Smith

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA: Hannaford Career Center / Town Hall application / Beeman PTO skiing /

VISITORS BUSINESS:

1. **Beth Ekroos** said she and Lynn and Michael Madden met with Dean Gilmore and has reviewed blueprints for a new fire station, they looked at a possible site and went through financials. Beth said the Maddens would possibly fund a portion of the project. She may have additional information in December, and will attend the December 20th Selectboard meeting.

ADJUSTEMENTS TO AGENDA:

1. **Hannaford Career Center** has several students interested in learning about working on a road crew. This is called Cooperative Work Experience. They would like to send students 1 or more at a time to shadow our road crew. Eric Boise had no problem with having students shadow the road crew. Kathy Barrett made a motion to authorize students from the Hannaford Career Center to shadow our Road Crew. The students are covered under the HCC insurance and parents of students sign a Cooperative Work Experience Agreement with the Career Center. Motion seconded by John Roleau. Vote by roll call 5 yes / 0 no
2. **Town Hall Application:** Taborri Bruhl made a motion to approve Mt. Abe Middle School Mini Metro basketball team to practice in the Town Hall gym on Wednesday nights from 5:30 - 7:00pm for the month of December. Estimated attendance is 10 -12. New Haven contact is Adam LaPerle. Fee / deposit waived. Motion seconded by Steve Dupoise. Vote by roll call 5 yes / 0 no

3. **Beeman PTO skiing:** there was a recent plea on Front Porch Forum for donations to the Beeman PTO to help the kids go skiing, either at Rikert Ski Center or the Snow Bowl. There is sports money in the budget that has gone untouched this year, and Danielle and Pam wondered if some of that money could help the PTO out with skiing this winter. The Board asked Pam to get a request of Funds from the PTO.

UPDATES ON:

1. Roads:

- Plank Road has been paved and the shoulders were filled in today
- The road crew is having some culvert issues that have become plugged due to debris. They want to remind homeowners not to plug the ditches along the roadside with yard debris.
- Last week Lime Kiln Rd. and Leduc Rd. experienced heavy truck traffic because DOT was set up on Route 7 in Vergennes. Our Road Crew put up some signs to detour traffic back to route 7.
- John Roleau has been talking to the Sheriff's Dept. in regard to our roads being properly posted.

2. Town Buildings and Land:

- Sewage Odor in Town Hall: This was noticed setting up for the November Election and again on Election Day. Pam Kingman spoke with the lunch staff at Beeman, and they said they have been smelling it for months and have reported it to the Superintendent's office. Pam will call Facilities management at the Superintendent's office to get information.
- The front porch light on the Town Hall does not work. Pam is meeting with Vermont Integrated Architecture on Thursday to review drawings. After she will call East View Electric to see if they can rewire it or find a temporary solution

3. Train Depot update given by Steve Dupoise:

- The Depot was moved onto the foundation this week.
- Steve Dupoise made a motion to accept Task 4 which is the Masonry Contract through Case Street Redi Mix. Motion seconded by Kathy Barrett. Vote by roll call 5 yes / 0 no

AUTHORIZATIONS:

1. Taborri Bruhl made a motion to approve payroll for the week ending 11/5/22, in the amount of \$6,139.19, seconded by Bruce Many. Vote by roll call 5 yes / 0 no

2. Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve payroll for the week ending 11/12/22, in the amount of \$4,215.90, seconded by John Roleau. Vote by roll call 5 yes / 0 no
3. Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve the pay orders for the week ending 11/15/22, in the amount of \$810,882.26, this includes the school payment and Case Street Redi mix payment for the Train Depot foundation. Motion seconded by Taborri Bruhl. Vote by roll call 4 yes / 1 abstention (Dupoise)
4. Wage Sheet for 2023 – defer until the end of the meeting to discuss personnel in executive session.
5. Kathy Barrett made a motion to set the term limit for Ellie De Villiers to the Conservation Commission for a 2-year term. Motion seconded by Steve Dupoise. Vote by roll call 5 yes / 0 no
6. Kathy Barrett made a motion to approve the minutes from 10/18/22, seconded by Taborri Bruhl. Vote by roll call 5 yes / 0 no
7. Steve Dupoise made a motion to approve both minutes (Bike Loop Local Concerns and regular meeting) from 11/1/22. Motion seconded by Kathy Barrett. Vote by roll call 4 yes / 1 abstention (Bruhl)

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. **Budget Meeting Schedule:** Tuesday, November 29, 2022 @ 6:00 pm, provided Treasurer, Danielle Hubbell is available. Tuesday, December 6, 2022, the budget meeting will begin at 6:30pm followed by the regular meeting.

Kathy Barrett made a motion to go into executive session at 7:51pm to discuss personnel. Motion seconded by Taborri Bruhl. Vote by roll call 5 yes / 0 no

Taborri Bruhl made a motion to come out of executive session at 7:59 pm, seconded by Steve Dupoise. Vote by roll call 5 yes / 0 no

Taborri Bruhl made a motion to set wages for 2023 at 5%, and for sidewalk maintenance, (Harry Tricou) at \$17.00 per hour. Motion seconded by Bruce Many. Vote by roll call 5 yes / 0 no

Adjourn: 8:01 pm

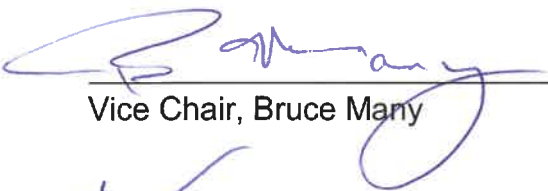
Respectfully submitted:

Pam Kingman

Approved on _____



Chair, John Roleau



Vice Chair, Bruce Many



Kathy Barrett



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Steve Dupoise