



SELECTBOARD REGULAR MEETING

Monday, October 23, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Chris Letourneau Meeting Room and via Zoom

MINUTES

Zoom Details:

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Meeting ID: 616 584 3896 | **Passcode:** 5243524

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Selectboard Present: Carl Rosenquist, Devon Thomas, Nick Martin, Jamie Comstock, and Shannon Jenkins

Staff Present: Cheryl Letourneau

Public Present: Heather Grimm, Fred Grimm, Martha Jansen, Heather Dunsmore, Ken Minck, and Brian Dunsmore

Zoom Present: Dawn Penney, Karen Heinlein-Grenier, John Chagnon, Jana Thuesen, and Frank Gore

1. CALL TO ORDER at 6:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. CHAIR UPDATE

4. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

- Motion to include Covid on the agenda by N. Martin, seconded by S. Jenkins. All in favor.

5. SELECTBOARD MINUTES AND WARRANTS

A. Approval of Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes for 10.9.2023

- C. Rosenquist makes a motion to approve the 10.9.2023 minutes with changes, J. Comstock seconds. C Rosenquist asks about line 48 and if we need to clean up the language.
- K. Minck says that the agenda for today says 10.29.2023 and it should say 10.23.2023. S. Jenkins makes a motion to have the agenda for today corrected, N. Martin seconds. All in favor, motion carries.
- C. Rosenquist questions line 65 but it seems like it was clarified later. He questions line 88. He then speaks of Line 181 - 182, K. Minck asks about DEI going into Executive Session.
- J. Comstock says line 31 and 73 C. Branagan, and D. Thomas needs to have their names spelled correctly.
- C. Letourneau asks the board about an email from T. Cleveland.
- There is a discussion on how to show a conversation that was had in an open meeting. The board would like to have the names of the people listed who were invited into Executive Session.
- All in favor, motion carried.

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79 **8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**80 **A. Trail Ordinance – Action**

- 81 • C. Rosenquist says that K. Minck and he were not able to get together. K. Minck says he thinks
- 82 it is fine how it is. C. Rosenquist says they wanted clarity, and they had issues. He said that is
- 83 why he wanted to approve one trail at a time.
- 84 • K. Minck believes the way the policy is written now gives the landowner permission to use the
- 85 trail. If they need something in the deed it is between the board and the owner.
- 86 • J. Comstock asks about them driving on it and changing the classification of the road. D.
- 87 Thomas says that was discussed at the last meeting. He says everyone was supposed to come to
- 88 this meeting ready for action and they are not.
- 89 • C. Rosenquist says he still thinks it is fine to move this to the public.
- 90 • B. Dunsmore brings up the issue of firearms. D. Thomas says that state laws trump town law.
- 91 • C. Rosenquist makes a motion to approve the trails policy for #1, #3, #4 and #5 with the
- 92 understanding that it is going through the approval process, N. Martin seconds.
- 93 • H. Dunsmore asks about hunting and says you may need to talk about that with the town lawyer.
- 94 • B. Dunsmore says if you implement this then you will have to enforce this. How are we getting
- 95 the police to come to answer these calls if we cannot get them here now. S. Jenkins says they
- 96 can say no. C. Letourneau questions liability. D. Thomas says they can see what happens. K.
- 97 Minck says yes it could be difficult.
- 98 • D. Thomas, S. Jenkins, C. Rosenquist voted yes, J. Comstock abstains, motion carried.
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100 **B. St. Albans Watershed Association - Appropriation – Action**

- 101 • S. Jenkins makes a motion to pay Saint Albans what is budgeted, J. Comstock seconds.
- 102 • D. Thomas says they requested \$2,500 for work that has already been completed when they only
- 103 budgeted \$1,500.
- 104 • J. Comstock says they just did the work. They did not give us the heads up. S. Jenkins says it is
- 105 difficult to have a delineation to where Georgia is versus Saint Albans in the water. Kids are
- 106 getting sick; we have a lot of houses along the shore. D. Thomas says we did not budget the full
- 107 amount.
- 108 • N. Martin thanks them, and we will do what we can to budget more in the future.
- 109 • K. Minck says that the Conservation Commission may be able to talk about this to help. D.
- 110 Thomas asks if they want to make a payment then they can do it as a gift.
- 111 • All in favor, motion carried.
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113 **C. Bovat Rd. update**

- 114 • C. Letourneau says she spoke with the people involved and they have decided not to move
- 115 forward.
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117 **D. ARPA Funds update**

- 118 • C. Rosenquist says they have a meeting next week. He thinks they will have a budget meeting
- 119 and then see. These will all be warned meetings.
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