

Town of Danby
Select Board Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2024
Town Office, Danby, VT 7:00pm
<https://www.danbyvt.org/government-information>
ZOOM MEETING ID: 834-6028-2318

Public Present – D. Stoddard, B. Thompson, D. Garceau, W. Greer

Virtual Present – D. White, G. Derr, L. Dever, B. Richardson, S. White, A. Smith, C. Hardaway, T. Parker, R. Aylward,

- Call to order at 7:00pm
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
 - Abbott, Powers, Fuller, Haines, Bender – present
- Procedure for Remote Access Attendance Statement
 - Beth Thompson
- Motion to set agenda
 - Additions have been made
 - Motion by Haines Seconded by Powers
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Public Comment
 - Will Greer
 - Field organizer for Flavors Hook Kids Vermont
 - Tobacco prevention efforts
 - Flavored tobacco products
 - Will send information to the town to review
 - Looking for support from the town
 - Focus on holding producers accountable
 - Annette Smith
 - Tree cutting on Tinmouth Pond Rd
 - Stumps left high?
 - Will stump everything when the ground isn't frozen
 - Much easier on the machine with more leverage
 - Road closure sign?
 - Trying to limit travel on the road
 - Safer for workers and those who have to travel the road
- Motion to adopt minutes of Select Board Meeting December 14, 2023
 - Motion by Haines, seconded by Fuller
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Appoint Fire Warden
 - Motion to Appoint Kenneth G Abbott as Danby town Fire Warden
 - Motion by Powers, Seconded by Fuller
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Executive session
 - Motion by Fuller, seconded by Powers
 - Session begins at 7:16pm
 - Session ends at 7:27pm
- Treasurer's Report: J. Millard
 - Working on getting more information on the Treasury Bills for investments
 - \$500,000 in a 3 month period and \$500,00 in a 6 month period
 - Dump stickers
 - Samples received

- Are in the works and should be here soon
 - Adopt the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2025 in the amount of \$ 1,370,835 for expenses, raised by taxes \$1,107,325 subject to review by the treasurer
 - Motion by Abbott, seconded by Haines
 - Motion passed unanimously
- Ratify Union Contract
 - Duration of agreement 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2026
 - Retirement adjustments
 - Personal leave adjustments
 - Vacation adjustments
 - Rate adjustments
 - Motion by Fuller seconded by Abbott
 - Motion in favor - 4
 - Haines abstained
- Road Commissioner's Report: T. Fuller, Jr. –
 - Sign Certificate of Highway Mileage
 - Motion by Haines, seconded by Fuller
 - Motion passes unanimously
 - Approve Fleet Permit for Barrett Trucking
 - Motion by Powers, Seconded by Haines
 - Motion passes unanimously
 - Discuss Bridge 7 Project
 - State had wanted to replace the bridge
 - Originally agreed to do a rehab on the bridge
 - State Update – would prefer to go with a new bridge now
 - Share from town goes from 2.5% to 5%
 - Would give more longevity
 - Should the state be invited to a meeting to discuss further
 - Construction potentially to begin 2027
 - High Bridge did not cost nearly as much and was a much greater project
 - Update current projects
 - Brush cutting
 - Working on winter storm management
 - Plowing and truck maintenance
 - Town crew doing a great job
 - Discuss trees in brook
 - Several areas with trees in the brook that could potentially create much larger issues
 - Potential summer project
 - Need state input for what can be done
 - Can't damage habitat
 - But hazards need to be taken care of
 - Identify areas to discuss with Josh from the state
- Old Business
 - none
- New Business
 - Sign Select Board Letter
 - For town report
- Motion to adjourn 7:58pm by Fuller, Seconded by Haines
 - motion passes unanimously

Respectfully Submitted by:

Drea Stoddard - Minute Taker