

**Town of Benton
Select Board Meeting
Wednesday, October 23, 2023**

Select Board Members: William R. Darcy, Chair; Regina Elliot and Kim Carpenter
Also Present: Dwight Swauger, Treasurer; Michael Stiebitz, Town Clerk and Tax Collector; and Joe Boutin, Jr., road contractor

These draft minutes of the Town of Benton Select Board are believed accurate and correct, but they are subject to additions, deletions, and corrections by the Select Board at the next meeting when the Board votes its final approval of the minutes. These minutes are made available at this time to conform to the requirements of New Hampshire RSA 91-A:2.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Darcy at 6:31 PM.

Member Elliott moved approval of the October 9, 2023 minutes, seconded by Member Carpenter and approved.

Chairman Darcy reported that the revised estimated revenues were submitted to DRA, which is the final document needed for DRA to establish the tax rate.

Chairman Darcy noted that the Planning Board is considering a lot line adjustment on the lots adjacent to the Town Hall between property owned by Albert Boutin and Billy Jo Sackett.

The Board received a 5-year contract proposal for property assessing services from Avitar Associates which will be reviewed at a subsequent meeting.

Treasurer Swauger reported that there was \$68,749.84 in the operating fund at Woodsville Savings Guaranty Trust and \$421,183.57 in the NH PDIP account. The largest payment this month was \$75,000 to the Benton School District for payments due to SAU 23.

Joe Boutin reported that paving on Tunnel Stream Road and Howe Hill Road would be done within the week.

The next meeting will be November 6, 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM