

Town of Benton
Select Board Meeting
Monday May 9, 2022

Select Board Members: William R. Darcy, Chair; Regina Elliott; Kimberly Carpenter

Also Present: Dwight Swauger, Treasurer; Mike Stiebitz, Town Clerk and Tax Collector; Joe Boutin, Jr., road contractor and Surveyor of Wood & Lumber; and Albert (Sam) Boutin

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 6:33 PM.

Member Elliott moved approval of the April 18, 2022 minutes, seconded by Member Carpenter and approved.

The Board signed DRA forms MS-60W, MS-232 and MS-535 which Chairman Darcy will upload to the DRA web portal.

Treasurer Swauger reported the operating account balance was \$309,166.16 and the ICS account had \$233,767.33.

School Board member Swauger reported on the last meeting of the Benton School Board. One notable item was the Superintendent's intent to provide free school lunches to all students, a practice started during the COVID pandemic which she proposes to continue.

The Board discussed continuing the cemetery and town hall mowing with Daryl Brooks.

The Board approved a building permit for Sam Boutin's erection of a breezeway over his deck of 8x20 feet.

The Board approved a disability tax exemption for Kenneth D. Bullard.

Joe Boutin presented a Notice of Intent to Cut Wood or Timber for a 1,200-acre plot off Tunnel Stream Road to be logged by Cersosimo Lumber, which was approved by the Board.

Chairman Darcy reported that he completed the necessary online registration and reporting of ARPA grant expenditures for the last year.

Mike Stiebitz reported on a likely land dispute on Bradley Hill Road concerning a subdivision which preceded Benton's zoning regulations.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.