

Town of Benton
Select Board Meeting
Monday June 7, 2021

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

Also Present: Dwight Swauger, Treasurer; Joe Boutin Jr., road contractor; Joe Boutin III, Chairman of Benton School Board; Harry Burgess, Surveyor; Gil Richardson, Moderator

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 6:32 PM.

Member Elliott moved approval of the May 24, 2021 minutes, seconded by Member Carpenter and approved.

The Board discussed arrangements for the Town Meeting to be held on the next evening. There was discussion of some Town and School Board warrant articles.

Surveyor Harry Burgess presented a draft gravesite survey to the Board. There was discussion of the survey, which resulted in a reduction in gravesites in a rocky area and some areas were designated with smaller sites for burial urns. Joe Boutin noted more work on the land was required before gravesites could be offered for sale. There was also a need for revisions to the fee schedule and cemetery regulations.

The Board approved a permit application for a shed at 294 Tunnel Stream Road after recommendation by the Planning Board and referred a permit application to the Planning Board by the McMahons to erect a building at 203 Coventry Road on a lot behind the Town Hall.

The Board voted to designate ARPA funds for broadband and signed a letter to NHEC and Grafton County asking for their help bringing broadband internet to the Town.

Treasurer Swauger reported the operating account had \$177,478.62 and the ICS account \$233,533.76. The Board signed checks prepared by the Treasurer.

The Board signed a notice of intent to harvest timber on Bradley Hill Road by Mark Spaulding.

June 21 is the next scheduled meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 PM.