

Town of Benton
Select Board Meeting
Monday December 6, 2021

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

Also Present: Dwight Swauger, Treasurer; Mike Stiebitz, Town Clerk and Tax Collector; Joe Boutin III, School Board Chair, 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 6:30 PM.

Member Elliott moved approval of the November 22, 2021 minutes, seconded by Member Carpenter and approved.

Members discussed the tiny lending library proposed and approved on the condition that it be located as approved by the Board on the Town Hall lot, that maintenance is the obligation of Marguerite Christopher and that it will be given a 30 day trial period after it is installed in the Spring.

The Board signed the previously approved two year assessment contract with Avitar, which will require more money be set aside in the 5 year revaluation trust fund.

The Chairman reported he left a phone message for the Bullocks regarding the verification of the tax exemption requested.

The Board approved the annual accounting firm contract with Plodzik & Sanderson for filing the MS-535 and MS-60 audit and financial reports.

There was a discussion of the proper account code in which to place an expense.

Treasurer Swauger reported the operating account balance of \$179,055.09 and the ICS account balance of \$233,651.48. The Board signed checks prepared by the Treasurer.

Joe Boutin Jr. presented a notice of intent to cut timber which was signed by the Board for Ossipee Mountain Land Company for a White Mountain National Forest timber cut off of Tunnel Stream Road.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 20, 2021.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 PM.