

**Town of Benton
Select Board Meeting
Monday, January 6, 2025**

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

Also Present: Dwight Swauger, Treasurer and School Board Chair; Micheal Stiebitz, Town Clerk and Tax Collector; and Joe Boutin, Jr., road contractor.

These draft minutes of the Town of Benton Select Board are believed to be 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.

Chairman Darcy called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM.

Member Carpenter moved approval of the December 23, 2024 meeting minutes, seconded by Member Elliott. and approved.

The Board signed a contract, effective July 1, 2025, with Woodsville Ambulance, which included a fee increase.

The Board scheduled a budget workshop for the following week and agreed to a joint public hearing on the budget with the Benton School Board for January 29, starting at 6:00. There was a discussion of the SAU 23 and Benton School Board proposed budgets.

Treasurer Swauger reported \$225,137 in the operating account and \$429,159.91 in the NH PDIP account. The Treasurer submitted checks for payment.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 pm.

