

**Town of Benton
Select Board Meeting
Monday, June 19, 2023**

Select Board Members: William R. Darcy, Chair; Regina Elliot, and Kimberli Carpenter
Also Present: Dwight Swauger, Treasurer

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 May 3, 2023 and June 4, 2023 minutes, seconded by Member Carpenter and approved.

Chairman Darcy discussed the meeting with numerous FEMA officials and our Emergency Management Director Scott Matz about reimbursement for the expenses caused by the December 2022 storm.

Chairman Darcy stated he will be out of state and incommunicado on a hiking and camping vacation in July but we need to set a schedule of meetings for the next three months. The Board agreed to meetings on July 3 and 17; August 7 and 21; and September 11 and 25.

Chairman Darcy stated we need to send dues to the NH Old Cemetery Association and the Board agreed to send a little more in appreciation for their help with Mountain View Cemetery. Member Elliott says she had arranged for a cemetery repair contractor to view the cemetery in July.

Chairman Darcy showed a picture of a proposed Town Hall fence with lattice work at the top and the Board agreed that such a fence was acceptable.

Treasurer Swauger asked about invoices for insurance coverage from Primex and Chairman Darcy stated he would look into it.

Treasurer Swauger reported that there was \$152,072.36 in the operating fund at Woodsville Guaranty Trust and \$413,812.52 in NH PDIP.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 PM