

**Town of Benton**  
**Select Board Meeting**  
**Monday July 26, 2021**

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

Also Present: Dwight Swauger, Treasurer

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The meeting was called to order by Chairman Darcy at 6:30 PM.

Member Elliott moved approval of the July 12, 2021 minutes, seconded by Member Carpenter and approved.

Chairman Darcy noted that the Board noticed a Special Town Meeting to join the Northern Grafton Communications District planning committee, but that legislation passed this month only requires Selectboard approval. He therefore moved that the Board join the Northern Grafton Communications District and appoint William Darcy and Scott Matz as the Town's two representatives on the District. The motion was seconded by Member Elliott and approved.

Chairman Darcy reported receipt of the first half of the ARPA federal grant money, the acceptance of which was the subject of a public hearing earlier today.

Treasurer Swauger reported the operating account balance of \$247,429.19 and the ICS account balance of \$233,572.77. The Board signed checks prepared by the Treasurer.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the last quarterly report of the Trustees of the Trust Accounts.

The Board signed a two-year road maintenance contract with Joe Boutin & Son.

The Board's next meeting is August 9, 2021.

The meeting was adjourned at 7.06 PM.