

Town of Benton
Select Board Meeting
Monday November 25, 2019

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

Also Present: Dwight Swauger, Treasurer; and Joe Boutin, 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 11, 2019 minutes, seconded by Chairman Darcy and approved.

Chairman Darcy reported on the receipt of the “No Parking” sign for the Long Pond Road snowplow turnaround area. He also stated that he talked to the USFS chief engineer and that he expected Long Pond Road to be finally open in the Spring. USFS also wants to do some reconstruction work on Tunnel Brook Road to mitigate future flood damage and will be making a presentation to the Selectboard in the future. The amendment to the Cooperative Road Agreement was also discussed.

The Board agreed on the need for annual servicing of the Town Hall furnace and generator.

Chairman Darcy noted an upcoming deadline for the latest grant submission deadline for the Tunnel Steam Road culvert project and the difficulties in meeting the deadline.

Treasurer Swauger reported an operating account balance of \$17,496.52 and an ICS balance of \$233,069.37. Checks for bills prepared by the Treasurer were signed by the Board.

Annual bills from Grafton County, the NH Municipal Association and North Country Council were received. Also noted was receipt of approval from the State of our forest fire warden appointment of Ken Kealey and the Board signed papers for the appointment of a deputy forest fire warden.

Member Elliott made arrangements for the NH Old Cemetery Association to present a seminar next Spring.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 9, 2019.

The meeting was adjourned at 7.03 PM.