

Selectboard Minutes
February 11, 2025

Present: Jenn Jones, Chair
Andy Artimovich
Jon Morgan
Paul Kleinmann
Letty Bedard

At 6:00pm, Jones called the meeting to order.

The Board signed the payroll and accounts payable summary register.

Artimovich motioned, seconded by Kleinman, to accept the consent agenda which consisted of public minutes from February 4th, non-public minutes from February 4th, which are sealed, and the following building permits:

- Childs Family Rev Trust, 9 Vahey Drive, Electrical
- Childs Family Rev Trust, 9 Vahey Drive, Plumbing
- Kevin B King Rev Trust, 55 Middle Road, Plan Examination
- Rick & Gail Desjardins, 96 Three Ponds Drive, Electrical
- Brigid & George Secchiaroli, 270 Middle Road, Plan Examination
- Kevin B King Rev Trust, 55 Middle Road, Plumbing

All were in favor. Motion carried.

At 6:03pm, Jones opened the meeting up to public comment.

Seeing none, Jones closed public comment at 6:03pm.

A public hearing was held February 4th regarding the removal of Jack Garber from the Zoning Board of Adjustment, Mr. Garber was not present at that public hearing and would like the opportunity to come back due to the short notice of the public hearing and would like to be considered for reinstatement. Mr. Garber apologized to the Selectboard, and the individuals involved in the incidents that led to Garber's removal from the ZBA. Mr. Garber stated that those behaviors are out of character for him, and he enjoys his position on the ZBA. Morgan motioned to reinstate Mr. Garber to the ZBA, seconded by Kleinman. Morgan and Kleinman – aye, Artimovich, Bedard and Jones – nay, motion failed.

The Board discussed updating the Town's Clerk's software. There are three contracts, the software purchase and installation is \$14,900 plus \$500 for the boat module, a onetime fee of \$15,400; the website deployment and hosting agreement is \$1,500 yearly; the invoice Cloud online presentment and payment integration \$1,500 setup and then \$100 monthly. The municipal operations software capital reserve fund is currently at \$120,716. Morgan motioned to approve signing the contracts and moving forward with the purchase of the Town Clerk's Avitar software for \$18,400, seconded by Artimovich. The motion is amended to state that Town Administrator, Hansen, will sign the contracts. All in favor, motion carried.

The front-end loader cannot be repaired as hoped. Road Agent, Wayne Robinson was present to discuss his options. A new offer has come in since it was originally discussed. Robinson is looking into the new offer and machine. The current warrant article will stand unless Robinson decides on a machine for a lower price at which time it will be amended.

The Board is in receipt of a public notice/letter of intent from the Cemetery Trustees. Remains were accidentally disinterred

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several years ago, these remains have been reinterred, and the Cemetery Trustees are looking to declare that area an abandoned cemetery, the end result being that the Town will declare the burial ground a Town cemetery. The notice can be found at the end of these minutes, it was posted in 2 public places, was in the Brentwood Newsletter and was online.

There was a discussion regarding filling open seats on the Zoning Board of Adjustments. The selectboard has tried to fill all board seats so that terms end in the summer. The Board is discussing whether or not to leave the positions of the ZBA open until summer or should they reopen the process for the ZBA now that it has an open seat. After some discussion the Board was in favor of posting the open positions.

The Board announced that they have hired a building inspector, Robert Donovan, he will start February 24th.

The Board will review the comp time, earned time and sick pool policy and this will be discussed in the near future.

Kleinman requested an update on debt financing and the Town's bonds.

Jones gave an update on the Budget Committee.

At 6:51pm a motion was made by Artimovich, seconded by Bedard to enter nonpublic for hiring and legal. Roll call vote: Artimovich -aye, Kleinman – aye, Bedard – aye, Jones -aye. Motion passes.

Nonpublic convened at 6:51pm.

At 7:34pm Kleinman motioned to leave nonpublic, seconded by Artimovich. Roll call vote: Artimovich -aye, Kleinman – aye, Bedard – aye, Jones -aye. Motion passes and public meeting reconvened. Kleinman motioned to seal the minutes, seconded by Artimovich. Roll call vote: Artimovich -aye, Kleinman – aye, Bedard – aye, Jones -aye. Motion passes.

At 7:34pm Jones motioned to adjourn, seconded by Kleinman, all in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jillian Benedix