## Town of Danby DRAFT Select Board Meeting Minutes August 15, 2024 Town Office, Danby, VT 7:00pm <u>https://www.danbyvt.org/government-information</u> ZOOM MEETING ID: 813-2851-1750

Public Present – D. Stoddard, Q. Pearce, T. Porter, R. Porter Virtual Present – G. Derr, A. Smith, R. Aylward, D. Coburn,

- Call to order at 7:00pm
- Roll Call
  - Abbott, Fuller, Haines, Bender present
    - Powers Absent
- Motion to set agenda
  - $\circ$  Include appointment for a representative at the tax sale on Sept. 17
  - Discussion on remote access
  - Striping on North and South Main Street
    - And any additional ARPA fund projects
  - Motion to set Agenda
    - Motion by Fuller Seconded by Abbott
      - Motion passes unanimously
- Award Depot St. Drainage Project Contract
  - Sent out new spec sheet
    - Markowski no response
    - Hermann is too busy
    - Hunter didn't respond after specs but gave quote originally
    - Quint Pearce Q. Pearce Excavation
      - \$70,125
    - Hunter Excavating
      - \$154,764
    - When would Q. Pearce be able to start
      - 2 to 4 weeks
  - Motion to aware bid to Q. Pearce Excavating
    - Motion by Fuller, Seconded by Abbott
      - Abbott yes
      - Fuller yes
      - Haines- abstained
      - Bender- yes
- Balance of ARPA \$154,491
  - Radio quote review
    - Wondering about antenna compatibility and needs
    - On the phone with Mark Denis
      - About \$30 for antenna for new truck
        - And for other trucks if need replacing
        - Subject to radio installation
      - Motion to buy radios Capital Digitronics Inc. for \$6856.42, there could be an additional increase of \$30 per antenna if needed
        - Motion by Fuller, Seconded Haines
          - Wondering about timeline for installation
          - Motion passes unanimously
  - Fire Department gave a deposit for the Tower installation of \$5,000
    - The town will be using the repeater from the tower

- Along with Manchester Rescue
- Concern of fire department being a private organization
  - If deposit could be returned and billed to the town
  - Project total is \$32,000
- Waiting on pricing for excavator replacement
  - Will have number from
    - Capital Tractor
    - G Stone Motors
    - Milton Cat
    - United Construction and Forresty
- Would line striping qualify for ARPA funds
  - \$6,230.40 for yellow line striping on Main Street
  - Road safety, line loss from increase of traffic
    - Could potentially come out of special projects in the budget
    - Motion to hire L & D to stripe North & South Main street for \$6,230.40
      - Motion by Fuller Seconded by Haines
        - Motion passes unanimously
- Remote Access Moving Forward
  - Drea okay with doing remote access along with minutes
    - Okay with doing as long as meetings aren't large attendance anticipated
  - Adding a line item in the budget since it is mandated
  - o Annette Smith
    - Public comment required
      - Format is different for special meetings
    - Danby voted for it and petitioned for it
    - Would like video available as well
      - Easier to see who is in the room, presentations etc.
    - How tall is the tower
    - 50ft
  - o Gary Derr

- Video would be helpful
- Makes meeting more enjoyable and present for those who cannot attend in person
- Back to remote access under mandate
  - Someone needs to be present to meet new laws
  - Drea okay with it, unless it is a very large meeting regarding topics
    - May be better to hold in a different place
- o Motion to have Drea to take minutes and facilitate remote access
  - Motion by Haines Seconded by Abbott
    - Motion passes unanimously
- Tax sale representative on September 17<sup>th</sup>
  - Motion to have Brad represent the town at the tax sale
    - Motion by Haines, Seconded by Fuller
      - Motion passes unanimously
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- Other Business found necessary when met
- Motion to adjourn 7:45pm by Fuller, Seconded by Abbott
  - motion passes unanimously

**Respectfully Submitted by:** 

Drea Stoddard Minute Taker