

SELECTBOARD- TOWN OF BRADFORD
Regular Selectboard Meeting
Bradford Academy Building Room 26 and via Zoom Web Conferencing
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 13, 2022, at 6:30p.m.

In Attendance:

Board Members Present: Daniel A. Perry III, Carole P. Taylor, Meroa S. Benjamin, Ryan Lockwood, Jelmifer Whitney

Others Present: Sonya McLam, Paul Hunt, Alex Nuti-de Biasi, Ryan Terrill, Jean Carlan (via web), Marcey Carver (via web), Nancy Jones (via web), Michael Wright (via web), Monique Priestley (via web),

Dan Perry, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Additions & Changes to the Agenda:

No BA use applications to be discussed.

Public Comment:

None.

Health Insurance 2023:

Ryan Lockwood made a motion to increase the health insurance premium by 6% and offer the same plans as 2022.

MOTION PASSED, UNANIMOUSLY.

Fuel for the Bradford Academy:

Ryan Lockwood made a motion to accept Dead Rivers quote for fuel at the BA in the amount of \$4.19 per gallon for \$7,000 gallons.

MOTION PASSED, UNANIMOUSLY.

Cotts Service- Renewal:

Meroa Benjamin made a motion to accept the hosted resolution services renewal for the Cotts system dated October 7, 2022, and authorized Dan Perry to sign.

MOTION PASSED, UNANIMOUSLY.

Highway Grant:

Carole Taylor made a motion to sign the Grants in Aid- FY23 agreement for Wrights Mountain Road ditching/culverts in the amount of \$27,000 grant agreement.

MOTION PASSED, UNANIMOUSLY.

Membership Applications:

Meroa Benjamin made a motion to appoint Cindy Blakeslee and Lisa Tremaine to the website committee.

MOTION PASSED, UNANIMOUSLY.

Jared Pendak put in an application for the Planning Commission, there are no current vacancies.

Parks and Recreation- Budget Amounts:

Ryan Lockwood made a motion to move \$1,596.03 (skate rink liner fee) from repairs and maintenance to the materials and supplies line item- parks.

MOTION PASSED, UNANIMOUSLY.

Ryan Lockwood made a motion to approve \$3,900 Shannon Youngs quote for electrical work, to do the LED lights at the Elizabeth's Park pavilion. \$1,061.27 to come out parks and recreation repairs and maintenance, the remainder will be funded through the Walter Lee grant.

MOTION PASSED, UNANIMOUSLY.

Listers- Errors and Omissions Certificate:

Meroa Benjamin made a motion to approve the listers errors and omissions for True Owl Ventures.

MOTION PASSED, UNANIMOUSLY.

BA Capital Fund:

Meroa Benjamin made a motion to move the \$1,530.78 roof money to the BA Capital Fund.

MOTION PASSED, UNANIMOUSLY.

Purchasing Policy Review:

The Selectboard reviewed the purchasing policy and discussed raising the \$200.00 limit to \$500.00 and discussed putting no reimbursements within the policy. Will discuss at future meeting.

BA Use Applications:

Carole Taylor made a motion to approve as a slate the following BA use application:

Oxbow Highway School to use gymnasium November-February 2:30p.m.-9p.m.

BA Alumni to use conference room on November 26, 2022

Journal Opinion to use the conference room on November 4, 2022.

MOTION PASSED, 4 VOTES IN THE AFFIRMATIVE, 1 VOTE (MEROA BENJMAIN) RECUSED HERSELF.

Purchase Orders:

Meroa Benjamin made a motion to approve the purchase order as presented in the amount of \$17,619.93 which includes:

Radio for the tanker- \$2,639.49

Forest Fire Gear (50/50 match)- \$2,483.96

2 LED Flashlights- \$611 (for engine one)

Batteries- \$163.86

2 Bunker Pants and Jacket- \$10,525.62

2 Fire Boots- \$1,196

(current gear is outdated by the end of the year)

Gear will be over the line item, but not over budget.

MOTION PASSED, UNANIMOUSLY.

Minutes:

Per Marcey Carvers request the planning commission items will be discussed at second meeting in October.

Meroa Benjamin made a motion to approve the minutes of September 22, 2022.

MOTION PASSED, UNANIMOUSLY.

Orders:

Carole Taylor made a motion to move the orders dated October 14, 2022, minus the swim program email until a list of children that attended the program is produced.

MOTION PASSED, UNANIMOUSLY.

Other Business:

Jennifer Whitney questioned the burn pile and if a bid was needed Phil Page takes care of the burn pile yearly and usually uses a mulching company when they're in town, this year the mulcher wasn't in town and he found someone to take the pile for \$1,000 less than budgeted.

Meroa Benjamin attend a conference and made notes about the first amendment policy that she shared.

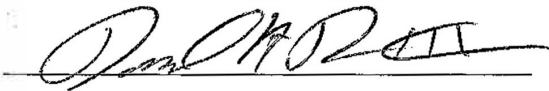
Personnel- Executive Session:

Meroa Benjamin made a motion that the Selectboard has determined that a personnel issue needs to be discussed in executive session because the premature public knowledge would place both the Town and the employee at substantial disadvantage.

MOTION PASSED, UNANIMOUSLY.

Meroa Benjamin made a motion to go into executive session at 7:45 p.m. to discuss a personnel issue as allowed by I V.S.A. Section 313 (a)(!) and invited Danielle Kingsbury.

The Selectboard came out of executive session and adjourned 8:00 p.m.



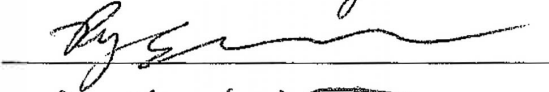
Daniel A. Perry III, Chair



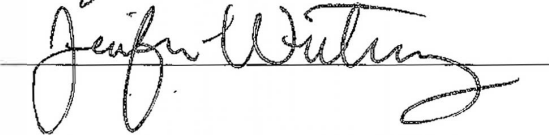
Meroa S. Benjamin, Vice Chair



Carole P. Taylor



Ryan Lockwood



Jennifer Whitney