

**Monday, November 14, 2022 6:30 PM**  
**Regular Session**  
**Dalton Select Board**

Call to order at 6:33 pm by Jo Beth Dudley. Select Board members Jo Beth Dudley, Carol Sheltry and Tamela Swan were present. Town Admin, Jeanette Charon present and note taking.

Public attendees: Jon Swan, Vic St. Cyr, Cathy Dubreuil, Tom Dubreuil, Eric Pilotte, Robin Pilotte, and Pam Kathan as well as others who chose not to sign in.

The Select Board signed an Intent to Cut for Timber (Yield) Tax.

The Select Board reviewed and approved meeting minutes from the meeting on October 31, 2022, as amended. Tamela motioned, Carol second and approved by roll call.

October 31, 2022 non-public session minutes #1 were approved, motioned by Tamela, seconded by Carol, and approved unanimously via roll call vote.

The Select Board reviewed and approved working session meeting minutes from the meeting on November 12, 2022, as edited. Tamela motioned, Carol second and approved by roll call.

Friends of the Town of Dalton lease is up for renewal. Motion to approve and sign the lease was approved at a prior meeting, however a notary is required for the signatures. Doris Mitton and Terri Parks were here to sign as tenants and a notary was in attendance at the meeting to witness signing of the lease.

The Sewer pump flow meter and monitoring system installations are still pending completion this year, as is a site visit from the EPA regarding qualification for a cybersecurity grant opportunity.

The Board discussed the Upper Connecticut River Mitigation and Enhancement Fund (NH Charitable Fdnt) grant opportunity. Jeanette noted that the area where the Johns River enters the Connecticut River is considered an area of high environmental priority. She will forward the grant opportunity to the Conservation Commission.

HealthTrust provided additional benefit information for full time employees. FSA (Flexible Spending Account) was reviewed in detail and Tamela motioned to approve this additional benefit to start 1/1/2023. The option of the 2 ½ month grace period was chosen for the program by the Board.

The Town's medical benefit probationary period for new employees has been changed from 60 days to 30 days. Tamela motioned with Carol second and an approval by roll call.

The Board discussed other benefits, such as Dental, Short and Long Term Disability, and Life Insurance, with further discussion and decisions to occur at a subsequent meeting when more specific cost information is available from HealthTrust.

Jeanette presented an option to purchase recycling bins for resale. The cost for ≤100 bins is \$6.50 each. The Board discussed ordering 20 bins initially. Jeanette will seek additional input as to interest prior to a decision.

A Wi-Fi café was brought up by Jo Beth for use by our community, as a follow-up from the last Planning Board meeting. At that PB meeting Economic Development opportunities were discussed with Kaela Travers from the North Country Council as part of the Master Plan update. One of the suggestions, based on demographics and commuter data, was to provide a place with good internet service for

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residents to use for remote work. It was mentioned that the gymnasium or the storage room could be used. More to come on possible locations and funding opportunities.

The Select Board discussed the purchasing of secure external mail boxes for town committees and departments to access mail outside the Select Board's office. Jeanette presented a possibility. The Select Board will look at space available and then decide on the units to purchase. They may revisit the type of box prior to approval of purchase in our next meeting.

Jeanette gave an update on the November 8<sup>th</sup> General Election outcome. We had nearly 67% of registered voters come out to vote. Poll workers were happy and the day went great. The Board expressed appreciation for all of the great work by all of the poll workers and election officials.

No update on the fuel and propane contracts. Jeanette still has not heard anything from CN Brown or Rymes.

Jo Beth made a motion to enter non-public session at 7:52pm. The motion was seconded by Carol and approved by roll call.

Jo Beth motioned to re-enter public 8:12pm. Tamela seconded, approval by unanimous roll call vote.

Jo Beth made a motion to seal the minutes of nonpublic meetings. Second by Carol and approved via roll call.

Jo Beth made a motion to ask the Treasurer to start processing a TAN Note for \$400,000. Carol second with an approval via roll call. Jeanette will follow up with Linda.

Jo Beth made a motion to sign the Sewer Warrant for 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. Second by Carol and approved via roll call.

Jo Beth made a motion with a second by Tamela to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 pm. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Minutes Respectfully submitted by Jeanette Charon.

Minutes Approved On: 11/28/2022 (date)

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