

Starksboro Selectboard Meeting
Minutes of November 29, 2022
Approved

Board members present: Koran Cousino, Eric Cota, John Painter, Carin McCarthy, Nancy Boss

Others present: Rebecca Elder, Robert Turner

Chair Koran Cousino called to the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at the town clerk's office and via Zoom.

Additions/Changes to the Agenda

Addition of discussion of fire department request

Budget FY23-24 planning discussion

- Robert Turner updated the board on conversations with NEMRC accountants and Interim Treasurer Danielle Hubbell about the status of accounts and fund balances.
- Josh presented his budget projections and requests for the highway department.
- Rebecca and Amy prepared projections for the town clerk's office, zoning, and IT.
- Rebecca will input the data and work with Robert on a shared spreadsheet for the next budget planning meeting.
- Robert will work on the reserve fund balances and projections to discuss next.
- The Selectboard will consider salaries, benefits, and cost of living increases later in the budget planning process.
- Discussion of fire department request. The next truck that needs to be ordered will be going up significantly in cost. Tom recommends placing a deposit to hold a truck at the lower rate. He will attend the next meeting to provide more details for consideration.
- Board and administrative staff will ponder larger project planning and if any funds for matching grants or capacity grants can be considered in this budget cycle.
- Major maintenance: Rebecca and Amy to research last painting projects and what other repairs or maintenance is needed. Present at future meeting.

Motion: John Painter made a motion to enter Executive Session per 1 V.S.A. §313(a)(7) a. contracts; and/or b. labor relations agreements with employees. Carin McCarthy seconded. Rebecca Elder was invited into the session.

Motion approved unanimously.

Motion: Carin McCarthy made a motion to exit Executive Session. Eric Cota seconded.

Motion approved unanimously.

The Board will make revised employment offers for the finance position and for the Town Administrator.

Motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.: Nancy Boss, Eric Cota seconded.

Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Rebecca Elder
Selectboard Assistant

