Starksboro Selectboard Meeting December 16, 2025 Unapproved

Board members present: Carin McCarthy, David Schmidt, Tony Porter, Eric Cota

Board members absent: Koran Cousino

Others present: Amanda Vincent – Town Administrator, Amy McCormick – Town Clerk, Karen Lueders

Eric Cota called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. at the Starksboro Town Clerk's office.

Review agenda: David Schdmidt suggested removing moderator for the agenda. Amanda Vincent added a discussion about road grants under Town Office Updates.

Public comment: Karen Lueders is the new state representative for Starksboro. Priorities for Starksboro include funding for Jerusalem Schoolhouse & Fire Station #2, Better Back Roads Grants, Emergency Response needs, Robinson School, Bylaws & Town Plan updates.

Current Business:

Term Changes: Amy McCormick proposed that the Delinquent Tax Collector and Moderator change to a three-year term.

Budget: The Selectboard discussed the budget.

Tony Porter mentioned that the tractor for roadside mowing and PTO generator needs to be replaced. A garage generator and pickup truck are also on the list for the near future.

Ongoing Projects:

Jerusalem Schoolhouse & Fire Station #2: Fire Station #2 will need some sort of a sprinkler system. This expense wasn't included in the budget.

Action: Amanda Vincent to regroup with the grant writing team.

Action: Amanda Vincent to work with Road Crew and Selectboard members to write a grant for guardrails for the Small Scale Local Safety Grant Program.

Motion: Tony Porter motioned to approve AP and Payroll. David Schmidt second. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion: Carin McCarthy motioned to approve the minutes from 12/2. David Schdmit second. Motion approved unanimously.

Selectboard Roundtable: The Selectboard discussed a few items.

Upcoming Agenda Items: Budget

Motion: Carin McCarthy motioned to enter executive session for personnel. David Schmidt seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion: Carin McCarthy motioned to exit executive session. David Schmidt second. Motion approved unanimously.

Action: Eric Cota to follow up with Road Foreman for a progress update and ask him to attend our January 6th meeting.

Motion: Tony Porter moved to adjourn. Second by Carin McCarthy. Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Amanda Vincent, Town Administrator