

Starksboro Selectboard Special Meeting  
Minutes of 3/8/22  
Unapproved

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**Board members present:** Nancy Boss, Carin McCarthy, John Painter, Eric Cota, Koran Cousino  
**Others present:** Rebecca Elder, Amy McCormick, James Carroll

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The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Koran Cousino at the Robinson Elementary and via Zoom.

Attendees were asked to sign in as either a listener or a speaker. The sign in sheets are attached to these minutes for the record.

John Painter read opening statement from the Selectboard. Attorney James Carroll read aloud the oath to all attendees to only make statements or present evidence that are the truth.

**Speakers:**

Herb Olson  
Jennifer Lovett  
Chris Zeno  
Margi Gregory  
David Livingston/MASSC  
Jeff Dunham  
Dennis Casey  
Tim Lyon

Annie Thomas  
Gabe Meader  
Steve R...  
Monique Thurston  
Steve Eustis  
Scott de Pinto  
Wendy Livingston

Once public comment concluded after roughly one hour of discussion, the board ended the public comment period and explained the process going forward. The board will conduct an executive session with legal counsel this evening and will then announce a future date for deliberation in public meeting and then a final decision will be provided to the public in written form and published on the town website. There is no set timeline for these next steps. The town website will be updated as dates are set.

James Carroll explained that this was not a quasi-judicial proceeding. The board will provide findings and conclusions in writing in the future.

**Motion:** John Painter made a motion to enter executive session finding that premature general knowledge would clearly place the Selectboard or other parties at a substantial disadvantage regarding legal counsel to discuss the snowmobile access request as warned per 1 V.S.A. §313(a)(1).  
**Motion approved unanimously.**

**Motion:** made a motion to enter executive session at 7:00 pm to discuss confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the body per 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(E) and (F). James Carroll and Rebecca Elder were invited into the executive session. **Motion approved unanimously.**

**Motion:** John Painter made a motion to exit executive session at 7:35 pm. **Motion approved unanimously.**

No action was taken as a result of this executive session.

**Motion to adjourn at 8:00 pm:** Eric Cota moved. Nancy Boss second.  
**Motion approved unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Rebecca Elder, SB Assistant