

Starksboro Selectboard Special Meeting
Minutes of 11/2/20
Approved

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

Unable to attend: Nancy Boss

Others present: Rebecca Elder

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m.

The board reviewed the agenda for any changes or additions:

1. Town website update
2. MAUSD meeting follow up

The introductory statement regarding open meeting law and how public meetings are being conducted in the Town of Starksboro due to the State of Emergency declared by Governor Scott as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and pursuant to Addendum 6 to Executive Order 01-20 and Act 92, this public body is authorized to meet electronically.

In accordance with Act 92, there is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously, however the meeting was conducted with public access via internet or telephone with the ability to listen/interact contemporaneously.

Current Business:

The board communicated with the town attorney regarding a question on the warrant for a bill at the previous meeting.

Motion: John Painter made a motion to approve the BCBSVT bill and to pay the amount in full. Carin McCarthy second.

Motion carried (KC, JP, CM) (E. Cota abstained.)

Town website:

The website is experiencing technical difficulties and can no longer be updated. Rebecca and Carin will follow up on recommendations for a new web platform that is more secure. More information will be provided at the next regular meeting.

MAUSD conversations:

John Painter and Carin McCarthy met with Patrick Reen at his request to discuss the value of the Robinson school as a community center, beyond its role as the elementary school. A complete report and discuss will take place at the regular meeting on 11/10. Herb Olson has requested time on the agenda to present information from a group of residents.

Motion to adjourn: John Painter moved, Carin McCarthy second.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Elder
Selectboard Assistant