

## Office of Board of Selectmen

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Selectmen's Work Session Minutes

Monday, February 28, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

Belmont Mill, Tioga Meeting Room

Present were Chairman Ruth Mooney, Selectman Jon Pike, Selectman Claude Patten, Jr., TA Jeanne Beaudin, Assistant TA Alicia Jipson, DPW Director Craig Clairmont, Police Chief Mark Lewandoski, General Assistance Director Donna Cilley, TC/TC Cynthia Deroy, Fire Chief Mike Newhall, B&G Supervisor Patrick Golden, Town Planner Sarah Whearty, Barrett Salta from BPS. Present via Zoom was Finance Director Katherine Davis.

Update on Police Station with BPS- Barrett explained that the project has winded down. In the spring the paving will get finished, line striping and lawn seeding and plantings will get completed. The elevator is being worked on now, still having issues with it not working properly. There is a very small punch list of items that are getting worked through. The generator is up and running. Barrett explained that at the end of the project they were able to save around \$97,000 due to cost savings. BPS has a 1-year warranty and guarantee, but assured us to call in any instance that we have issues so that they can check the other warranties. TA Beaudin commented that we have billed the State for all the grant related expenditures. Because the grant was more than what we needed they have allowed us to include the associated construction management fees to be re-couped through the grant funds. Selectman Mooney added that coming in under budget was huge and very important. The timing was everything on this project and we are lucky. Police Chief added that we saved a great deal of money with all the furnishings that we got donated to us to outfit the building.

781 Mile Hill Road- TA Beaudin explained that the owner of 781 Mile Hill Road had submitted a proposal for a driveway permit. The portion of Mile Hill Road that access his lot is a highway to summer cottages with no Town maintenance during the winter months. Town staff suggested a request of acknowledgement from the owner stating that they are aware of this restriction and sign a waiver of liability. Selectman Pike motioned to accept the waiver as presented and that it be recorded at the registry after; seconded by Selectman Patten and the motion passed unanimously.

Mountain Lake Village- TA Beaudin commented that we have back a final draft of the Intermunicipal Agreement for Mountain Lake Village. DPW Director Craig Clairmont and Jeanne were both involved in discussion with Wes working through the document. The agreement looks good, Laconia will be in charge of the billing for the associated water and sewer fees. The

hydrants will be billed to the Town of Belmont who in turn will bill Phil Brouillard. Everything will be built to Laconia's standard. Wes indicated his inspector will inspect the roads. This agreement hasn't been viewed by Phil yet, once it has been then we will sign. Selectman Pike inquired what if the property sells as he has heard that the property is currently up for sale and would this agreement follow with the property? TA Beaudin responded back that yes, the agreement would follow, but Phil needs to sign and agree on this before anything can be done on this property.

Polls- TA Beaudin commented that Selectman Pike will be outside the Polls on Tuesday as he is on the ballot. The State Constitution says that 3 Selectmen should be available the day of the election. Selectman Pike can select a Pro-tem for the day as can the other board members if they have obligations which take them away from the polls and they will be sworn in that am.

Treatment Facility- TA Beaudin noted that Keith Pratt got back to her and he noted that there are additional funding opportunities available. As a result of the impacts of construction of the treatment facility would increase the costs to the water users. The upkeep and maintenance of the facility may qualify for grant funding under the Emerging Contaminants Grant. Keith also advised us to apply for more SRF funding in 2022 as well as the Trust Fund.

Annual Report Dedication- Selectman Mooney addressed those present stating that this year the Board of Selectman have decided to dedicate the annual report to Town Administrator Jeanne Beaudin. Jeanne will be retiring in June and is more than deserving of this special recognition. She will be greatly missed and we appreciate all she has done for the Town over the years and this is a small token of our appreciation.

Meeting adjourned at 10:49 am.

Ruth P. Mooney, Chairman

Jon Pike, Vice-Chairman

Claude B. Patten, Jr., Selectman