GEORGIA
VERMONT

Selectboard Special Meeting - Budget

Monday, December 30, 2024 at 5:00 PM
Chris Letourneau Meeting Room and via Zoom

Minutes - DRAFT

Zoom Details:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6165843896?pwd=STduU2JzTmpiVmE1MXZSaWZWLzVadz09

Meeting ID: 616 584 3896 **|** **Passcode:** 5243524

Dial by your Location: 1 929 205 6099 (New York)

Attendance:

PRESENT
Paul Jansen, Carl Rosenquist, Kristina Senna

ABSENT
Brian Dunsmore, Devon Thomas

STAFF
Stacy Katon, Lori Hobart, Dayle Goad

PUBLIC
Ken Minck

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
   C. Rosenquist called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
   C. Rosenquist lead the Pledge of Allegiance

3. **CHAIR UPDATE**
   C. Rosenquist asked for a moment of silence in recognition of the passing of President Jimmy Carter who passed December 29, 2024.

4. **ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**
   C. Rosenquist requested to move the Ken's email about American Tower to the Correspondence section.

L. Hobart has a warrant #40 in the amount of $16,975.35
C. Rosenquist suggested section B under Board Business be for Budget.
S. Katon has two additions. 1. Highway Safety Grant needs a signature. 2. Add to Executive Session regarding personnel.
K. Senna made a motion to accept the additions, P. Jansen 2nd, All in favor

5. SELECTBOARD MINUTES AND WARRANTS

A. Approval of Minutes Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes for 12/23/24
postponed approval of minutes until S. Katon and D. Goad can discuss further.
K. Senna made a motion that S. Katon take a run through changes to the minutes with D. Goad.
P. Jansen seconded the motion, All in Favor.

B. Approval of Warrants #39
K. Senna made a motion to approve Warrant #39.
Discussion: K. Senna - asked for invoice clarifications.
C. Rosenquist asked if there were any further questions before approval. All in Favor
L. Hobart - discussed and made clarification for warrant #40
Motion to approve Warrant 40 made by K. Senna, Seconded by P. Jansen, All in Favor

6. PUBLIC COMMENT (For items not on agenda)

All participants must clearly state their names. Appropriate actions will be considered once the Selectboard has reviewed the information provided and necessary subsequent research.

K. Senna gave kudos to the road crew
C. Rosenquist gave Kudos to the staff for all of the work on the budget.
K. Senna kudos to the Fire Department for responding to two town incidents

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Discussion with Ken Minck about his email regarding American Tower.
Cell tower allocations for GCEC and GCC were met.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. NRPC-Agreement for Municipal Assistance To Support -Discussion/Follow Up
S. Katon is following up

B. Easements For Pipe and Babcock-Follow Up Discussion
S. Katon was in touch with Mr. Babcock. S. Katon also reached out to lawyers. Need a version that doesn't have DRAFT written.

9. BOARD BUSINESS (Public comment on agenda items limited to 5 minutes)

A. Franklin County Sheriff- Review/Action/Approval/Signature-Police Services 6 Month Agreement
C. Rosenquist asked for a motion to sign the Franklin County Sheriff contract which is for 6-month agreement.
S. Katon added that the VSP provides 4 hours per week. The VSP contract runs out in May and termination notice still needs to be written even though it will run out in May 2025.
K. Senna made motion to accept, P. Jansen 2nd
All in Favor
C. Rosenquist signed the Franklin County Sheriff contract

Ken Minck left the meeting.

10. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, TREASURER AND SELECTBOARD SUB COMMITTEES REPORTS

A. Town Administrator

S. Katon said that the grant amendment for the highway signs has been extended to December 30, 2025, and needs to be signed.
Motion made by K. Senna, Seconded by P. Jansen.
All in Favor

C. Rosenquist signed document

B. Treasurer

C. Buildings

D. Budget and Finance

Budget discussions in preparation for January 6th public meeting

E. Personnel

S. Katon asked for an executive session to discuss personnel.

F. Public Works/Grounds/Recreation

L. Hobart is looking into a reimbursement grant for Recreational Boating Safety through the Coast Guard.
P. Jansen discussed his meeting with Todd Cadieux and the electrician at the highway building about lockout switch and generator. Also reviewed the library's electrical needs.

G. Committees at the direction of the chair-GA Conservation Commission (GCC)--American Tower.

Discussion took place item # 7 Correspondence (Lines #61 & 62)

11. OTHER

12. PLAN NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Budget discussions

A. January 06, 2025-Town Plan & Budget

January 06, 2025 at 5pm will be town plan presentation
January 06, 2025 at 6pm will be towns 2025 draft budget discussion with the public
Both will be held at the Fire Department community room

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION (if needed, pursuant to 1 V.S.A sec 313)

I would entertain a motion to enter into executive session to discuss Personnel: Assessor which premature disclosure or discussion may be detrimental to the board in itself and/or individuals involved.

I move that we enter into executive session to discuss Personnel: Assessor with Selectboard members present and S. Keaton under the provisions of Title 1, Section 313(a)(1)(A) of the Vermont Statutes.

C. Rosenquist asked if there was a motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:21pm to discuss personnel matters.
Motion made by Senna, Seconded by Jansen, All in Favor

Motion to exit Executive Session made by K. Senna, seconded by P. Jansen. All in Favor.
No motions were made in Executive Session. No action was taken after Executive Session.

14. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by K. Senna. Seconded by P. Jansen.
All in favor.

Posted to the Town website, four designated places within the Town of Georgia (Town Clerk's Office, Georgia Public Library, Maplefields & Georgia Market), and e-mailed to the local media.
Signed: Stacy Katon, Town Administrator

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