



GEORGIA

VERMONT

Selectboard Special Meeting

Wednesday, April 03, 2024

Chris Letourneau Meeting Room and via Zoom

Minutes

4:00 p.m.

Zoom Details:

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

Meeting ID: 616 584 3896 | Passcode: 5243524

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1. CALL TO ORDER 4:00 p.m.

- **Selectboard Present** – Carl Rosenquist Chair, Brian Dunsmore, Paul Jansen, Kristina Senna
- **Selectboard Absent** – Devon Thomas Vice-Chair
- **Staff Present** – Cheryl Letourneau
- **At 4:02 p.m.**- C. Rosenquist called the meeting to order.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CHAIR UPDATE

- C. Rosenquist informed the Board that the school budget failed for a second time.

3. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

- K. Senna made a motion to add Eclipse hours, Minuteman Press and Grant training to the agenda, B. Dunsmore seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
 - Eclipse discussion for Office hours - Addition
 - C. Letourneau, D. Bergstrom and A. Edwards will be working remotely that day. Highway Crew has the option to take it off or work.
 - B. Dunsmore made a motion to close the town office on 04.08.2024; P. Jansen seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
 - Minuteman Press and printing of postcards for mailing - Addition
 - B. Dunsmore made a motion to approve Minuteman Press to print and mail postcards for the upcoming town revote, P. Jansen seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

- 34 ○ Grant Writing class - Addition
 35 ▪ B. Dunsmore made a motion to approve C. Letourneau to take a Grant
 36 Writing class, P. Jansen seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

37 **4. SELECTBOARD MINUTES AND WARRANTS**

- 38 A. Approval of Selectboard Budget Meeting Minutes for 03.27.2024 and Liquor meeting minutes
 39 from 03.27.2024
- 40 • K. Senna made a motion to approve the minutes from the 03.27.2024 Selectboard
 41 meeting with changes, B. Dunsmore seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
 - 42 • K. Senna made a motion to approve the minutes from the 03.11.2024 Selectboard
 43 meeting with changes, B. Dunsmore seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
 - 44 • B. Dunsmore made a motion to correct 03.27.2024 Selectboard minutes, P. Jansen
 45 seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
 - 46 • K. Senna made a motion to approve the Liquor Meeting Minutes from 03.11.2024 and
 47 03.27.2024 with changes, B. Dunsmore seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

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49 **5. PUBLIC COMMENT (For items not on agenda)**

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

52 **6. CORRESPONDENCE**

53 Email from K. Minck regarding postage and impact fees showing in the school budget.

54 **7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

55 **8. BOARD BUSINESS (Public comment on agenda items limited to 5 minutes)**

56 A. Conservation Budget

- 57 • Discussion on funding the two accounts for Conservation. One account has \$47, 263.14
 58 and the second one has \$127,271.87. The first account is money that is used when
 59 unforeseen circumstances arise. The second fund is a restricted fund, and they use this
 60 money to purchase land. The Selectboard agreed to fund \$8,000.00 to the Conservation
 61 Reserve fund this year, which was previously \$13,000.00.

62 B. T. Cleveland - Library Pool Pass

- 63 • The library requested purchase of a swimming pass that will allow 4 people use the
 64 Pool at Hardack for the months of June, July and August. The cost for this pass will be
 65 \$425.00. This pass is being offered to all the libraries. C. Letourneau will reach out to
 66 Hardack to purchase two passes for the library for the summer.

67 C. T. Cleveland – 02.26.2024 Meeting Minutes

- 68 • P. Jansen made a motion to allow Carl to make the changes that T. Cleveland would
 69 like in the minutes of 02.26.2024 on line 104. This change would add the library to
 70 clarify which board D. Thomas was referring to, B. Dunsmore seconded. All in favor,
 71 motion carried.

72 D. Library Budget

- 73 • The library presented no changes to the budget presented. The question of why the
- 74 library reserve fund has not been funded for the last 2 years was asked. C. Letourneau
- 75 will investigate the reserve fund in the old minutes. The fund should receive \$5,000 per
- 76 year.
- 77 • The library would like to hire another staff member, this will allow programs to
- 78 continue and for library hours to go back to normal. The Selectboard agreed to fund the
- 79 library with \$17,000 for another part-time person.

80 E. Tyler Billingsly - Engineer for Rugg Brook Bridge

- 81 • K. Senna made a motion to approve the contract with Tyler Billingsley from East
- 82 Engineering for overseeing the bridge project on Mill River Rd, B. Dunsmore seconded.
- 83 All in favor, motion carried.

84 F. Budget Discussion

- 85 • Discussion on budget numbers and how it is moving forward. The board would like to
- 86 have the budget completed by 04.10.2024.
- 87 • A. Edwards will check to see how much the Town has received in federal grants and
- 88 report back to the board.
- 89 • A. Edwards and K. Senna will speak with K. Buckley from VLCT regarding ARPA
- 90 funds.
- 91 • K. Senna would like to see side column with numbers on the budget in the future for
- 92 easier reading and discussing.

93 G. ARPA Funds - General Budget

94 The finance committee will meet with A. Edwards on 04.09.2024 to go over the ARPA funds
95 and accounts.

96 **9. OTHER**

97 **10. PLAN NEXT MEETING AGENDA**

98 A. 04/08/2024

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

- 100 • At **7:20 p.m.** – K. Senna made a motion to enter executive session, B. Dunsmore seconded.
- 101 All in favor, motion carried.
- 102 • K. Senna made a motion to enter executive session with the Town Administrator C.
- 103 Letourneau, B. Dunsmore seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

104 A. Personnel

- 105 • At **7:50 p.m.** – B. Dunsmore made a motion to exit executive session, K. Senna seconded.
- 106 All in favor, motion carried.
- 107 • It is noted there are no motions out of executive session.

108 **12. ADJOURN**

- 109 • At **7:51 p.m.** – B. Dunsmore made a motion to adjourn, K. Senna seconded. All in favor,
- 110 motion carried.

111 **TABLED ITEMS:**

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113 **Posted to the Town website, four designated places within the Town of Georgia (Town Clerk's**
114 **Office, Georgia Public Library, Maplefields & Georgia Market), and e-mailed to the local media.**

115 **Signed: Cheryl Letourneau, Town Administrator**

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Approved