

## Selectboard Regular Meeting Monday, February 26, 2024 Chris Letourneau Meeting Room and via Zoom Agenda

**Zoom Details:** 

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Meeting ID: 616 584 3896 | Passcode: 5243524

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 2. CHAIR UPDATE
- 3. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

#### 4. SELECTBOARD MINUTES AND WARRANTS

- A. Approval of Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes for 2/12/2024, 1/17/2024
- **B.** Approval of Warrants #4, #5 and payroll warrants
- 5. 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.

#### 6. CORRESPONDENCE

#### 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

- **A.** Library Grant discussion on how to use the grant and action item to sign support letter for grant.
- **B.** Sara Nye Vester animal nuisance.
- C. Ethics Policy Discussion
- **D.** Town Meeting preparation Go over what to expect at Town meeting.
- E. DEI Committee Action decide how to create a DEI committee.
- F. Job Descriptions

- G. Local Contractors
- **<u>H.</u>** The Associated General Contractors of VT to approve and sign.

#### 9. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, TREASURER AND SELECTBOARD SUB COMMITTEES REPORTS

- A. Town Administrator
- **B.** Treasurer
- C. Buildings
- **D.** Budget and Finance
- E. Personnel
- F. Public Works/Grounds/Recreation

GCEC update

G. Committees at the direction of the chair

#### **10. OTHER**

#### 11. PLAN NEXT MEETING AGENDA

**A.** 02/28/2024

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

- A. EMS Contract
- B. Payroll union
- C. Fairfax request
- **D.** Personnel Fire Dept.

#### 13. ADJOURN

#### **TABLED ITEMS:**

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: Cheryl Letourneau, Town Administrator

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	Selectboard Special Meeting
	Wednesday, January 17, 2024
	Chris Letourneau Meeting Room and via Zoom
	Minutes
-	Zoom Details:
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	Meeting ID: 616 584 3896   Passcode: 5243524
	Dial by your Location: 1 929 205 6099 (New York)
-	1. CALL TO ORDER
-	• Selectboard Present – Devon Thomas Chair, Shannon Jenkins Vice-Chair, Carl Rosenquist,
	Nicholas Martin
	Selectboard Zoom – Jamie Comstock
	Staff Present – April Edwards, Dawn Penney, Doug Bergstrom
	• Staff Zoom – Cheryl Letourneau
	• Public Present – Ken Minck, Tom Hargy
	• At <b>4:05 p.m.</b> – D. Thomas called the meeting to order.
1	2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
	3. CHAIR UPDATE
4	4. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA
	• C. Rosenquist brought up seeing an issue from Bridget and asked about it. S. Jenkins said they
	want to advertise for a position but want to know what they are working with. D. Thomas aske
	if that relates to the budget discussion. S. Jenkins said yes, saying they wanted a number to we
	within. A. Edwards said when she spoke with the library, they told her the only people who
	were going to make money were Bridget and Valerie and they had not budgeted for anyone els
	Discussion was had. N. Martin said they must stay within their budget. A. Edwards said she asked the library what they were supposed to budget for, and she was told just Bridget and
	Valerie. S. Jenkins read the email. D. Thomas said they need to get in touch with them to see
	what they want.
4	5. SELECTBOARD MINUTES AND WARRANTS
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A. Approval of Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes for 01.03.2023 & 01.10.2023

- C. Rosenquist made a motion to approve 01.03.2024, N. Martin seconded. C. Rosenquist asked for an amount to be added on line 31 if available. All in favor, motion carried.
- C. Rosenquist made a motion to approve 01.10.2024, N. Martin seconded. C. Rosenquist asked about the money reported for the Historical Society. J. Comstock clarified. All in favor, motion carried.
- B. Approval of Warrants #36 & #37
- N. Martin made a motion to approve Warrant #36 in the amount of \$9,062.03, D. Thomas
   seconded. Discussion was had on loading the town website. S. Jenkins asked about the turnout
   gear. All in favor, motion carried.
- N. Martin made a motion to approve Warrant # 37 totaling \$15,498.25. J. Comstock asked why the law enforcement is only \$319, it is usually larger. S. Jenkins asked who they report to. C.
   Rosenquist seconded. C. Letourneau said it may have been an underpayment because they missed invoicing us at some point. All in favor, motion carried.

#### 47 6. BOARD BUSINESS (Public comment on agenda items limited to 5 minutes)

48 A. Budget Discussion and Revisions

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- S. Jenkins asked about the ARPA funding list. J. Comstock wanted confirmation the \$1.9
   million was the proper starting number. A. Edwards said that is what she had. Discussion was had.
  - S. Jenkins asked about the rec funds building project. C. Rosenquist recalled a discussion on what to do at the beach on the pavilion. S. Jenkins if we had any concrete numbers. It is said they do not. They were allocating money.
    - S. Jenkins asked about the town office and well, asking if T. Cadieux came to us with the heating and the well as problems and is \$30,000 enough and is it urgent enough. C. Letourneau brought up the well to her. Discussion was had.
  - D. Bergstrom mentioned the \$25,000 for the development regulation rewrite, they had applied for grant and did not get it. N. Martin said we must pay for this. D. Bergstrom said yes. N. Martin said the board is going to have to decide where to pull that money from. J. Comstock asked if they had paid for that out of ARPA. D. Bergstrom said they paid for the town plan at \$35,000 out of ARPA. The rewrite goes hand in hand with that, after the town plan.
    - C. Rosenquist said we can take it from the community projects fund. N. Martin said they wanted to go to the town and ask them what they wanted to do and give priority to ones that will generate income.
    - N. Martin said they are still going to the voters for a \$1.3 million bond. Discussion was had. C. Rosenquist said he thought the bond was going to be \$1.5 million. Discussion was had.
    - N. Martin said bridge allocation goes down to \$275 and the extra \$25,000 is the planning development regulation rewrite.
  - C. Rosenquist questioned \$12,000 for wetlands asking if we thought it was going to be that much money. S. Jenkins said she thought they had to. Discussion was had.
- C. Rosenquist said it was brought to his attention that we need to make an allocation of the last two payments of the state aid to highways account for blacktop that we received early for 2024 to make sure it goes into the proper account. The treasurer asked for \$81,053 to be moved into the reserve account which currently has \$12,400. That totals more than we thought. We need a motion for that to be done. C. Rosenquist moved we move the last two

payments from the state of \$81,053.53 into the highway paving reserve, D. Thomas seconded.

- J. Comstock asked why this was not brought up in the past and if we just learned that this had to be moved. A. Edwards reported recently speaking with the auditor asking if she could just move it or if the selectboard needed to make a motion. They said the selectboard needed to make a motion. J. Comstock said this could have been a request via email and he asked why C. Rosenquist is the only one that knew about it. A. Edwards said she found this out this afternoon. Discussion was had.
  - All in favor, motion carried.

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- S. Jenkins asked A. Edwards if she met with Bob. A. Edwards said she did not. S. Jenkins asked for a time for them to meet with her. S. Jenkins asked the board when the deadline is for them to meet. N. Martin said they are trying to close out the end of 2023 and if they do not get their information then it will show that they are over budget. S. Jenkins confirmed that is why she is asking what the deadline is. S. Jenkins said this needs to happen. N. Martin said they can send it via email. S. Jenkins said they had tried, and A. Edwards said she did not get it. A. Edwards said she has the information they have given her. They have not given her specific journal entries. A. Edwards said she will reach out. N. Martin said they are also still waiting for their write-up. S. Jenkins asked C. Letourneau if she reached out to the library, she confirmed she did. She reported that they responded they will get it to her, but she has yet to see anything. J. Comstock said if the library does not get back to them then they will not have anything in the town report. S. Jenkins asked when this must be sent off. It is said it needs to be completed by Friday because that is when the town report goes to the printer. S. Jenkins asked C. Letourneau to let the library know. C. Letourneau said she will let them know again. N. Martin asked for the board to get cc'd.
- A. Edwards reported that she and D. Bergstrom spent the day working on this budget. She • reported what a typical tax bill will look like with the present numbers. D. Bergstrom showed the spreadsheet. He reported that the numbers are very close to NEMRC so they should feel comfortable making any changes. N. Martin said they stand behind everything in this budget and for years the town has avoided making changes because they were afraid to push forward. A. Edwards is concerned if the townspeople know their tax bills are going up by that much and questioned if they are prepared for that. S. Jenkins said that is out of their hands. N. Martin said most people are more concerned about the school numbers than the town number. D. Bergstrom showed them what goes out. N. Martin said if they had a 0% increase people would still say, "How dare you guys, my tax bill is going up by this much." A. Edwards said the voters have two options, to vote down the school budget and to vote down the town budget, or they can pass them. A. Edwards encouraged the board to look at the budget again to see if there was anything they could do to bring it down a little bit. S. Jenkins asked what percentage they are at now. D. Bergstrom said they are at 11.45% and N. Martin said he was okay with that; it was consistent with last year. S. Jenkins did not see a problem with it. N. Martin agreed. He said if anything he thinks people may vote down the bridge repair. D. Thomas said he is willing to defend the budget as is but is also willing to look to see if they can get it lower. J. Comstock said they have gone over this a thousand times and the reality is, do they even have time. He thinks this is an acceptable raise. N. Martin says it is their responsibility to go over the budget, however he believes they have done a really good job of making a significant amount of progress while staying within the same increase as last year. S. Jenkins said they also need to consider the increase in salaries that they have given. N. Martin said they have gone

125	through a union, a full-time treasurer, and increases as well as new vehicles through a
126	capital budget as well as can be done. It will be their job to educate the public on how much
127	they oversee and an 11% increase.
128	• D. Bergstrom reported that they had gone over and highlighted some areas that they could
129	look at where they could lower without affecting anything and it may get you under the 10%
130	mark. Discussion was had on the legal, janitorial, janitorial supplies, highway building
131	maintenance, firefighter position with overtime, fire department hose (impact), transfer to
132	reserves, awards, and recreation to reserve (ARPA).
133	• K. Minck spoke on conservation commission. Discussion was had. It is decided that 5% of
134	money received will be allocated.
135	• A discussion was had on Highway Labor numbers. D. Bergstrom said if you use the
136	average of previous years, you can then reduce to \$78,500 and then the budget is now down
137	to a 10.5% increase.
138	• D. Bergstrom says there is an extra \$25,000 for a selectboard clerk that did not get hired and
139	\$5,000 for holiday cheer, and town office salaries.
140	<ul> <li>Discussion was had on the town office salary line. The board asked what was included, D.</li> </ul>
141	Bisedssion was had on the town office stating line. The board asked what was included, D. Bergstrom showed them there is a formula on the side for them to reference. N. Martin
142	wanted an email listing it out.
143	<ul> <li>S. Jenkins said she is comfortable with the number and does not want to reduce anything</li> </ul>
143	without letting the departments know. Discussion was had on money coming out of impact
144	fees.
146	<ul> <li>Discussion was had on Highway parts and supplies and why it was high. S. Jenkins reached</li> </ul>
140	out to T. Cadieux to find out. It was reported that all parts and supplies were together
147	(winter and summer were separated previously).
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149	GCC & Park and Rec Funding
150	• D. Bergstrom asked if they wanted to keep the park and rec reserve the same. S. Jenkins
151	confirmed.
152	• D. Bergstrom asked C. Letourneau if she had heard from anyone about the County Tax line.
153	C. Letourneau checked and reported not having heard anything at that time.
154	• Discussion was had on transfer to reserve again and funding out of impact fees. A.
155	Edwards said the library has not spent their impact fees since 2016.
156	• C. Rosenquist asked about \$100,000 of unspent impact fees and how they can be used to
157	reduce the budget. Discussion was had on this, how to possibly do this within the next two
158	days, and how to best do it moving forward.
159	• The board reported wanting to ask the department heads to see if there is anything they can
160	use impact fees on moving forward.
161	• A. Edwards said there is a b change in revenue. S. Jenkins said salaries may also. A.
162	Edwards encouraged them to keep looking at it and continue to look for sources of revenue.
163	<ul> <li>J. Comstock said he feels if anyone gets back to them with changes, and if they can make</li> </ul>
164	them, they need to. D. Thomas said people in the office will make that change and they can
165	vote on it on Monday.
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166	Salaries line
167	• It is noted that some of these conversations were had in previous parts of the agenda.
168	• N. Martin spoke with K. Baker about increases and contradictions with policies.

- 169 C. Letourneau explained that there was a previous motion that changed their fee but there was not a motion to make the change in the policy. They have been seeing that increase. 170 D. Thomas said he will add this to the agenda for Monday. C. Rosenquist said the 171 personnel committee will meet and bring a recommendation to the board. N. Martin 172 agreed. 173 Fire and Rescue Pay 174 Any other departments as well 175 176 B. Budget - Action to Approve Budget D. Thomas asked if they wanted to go ahead with this or wait until they have heard back 177 about the impact fees. 178 C. Town Warning – Approve 179 D. Thomas asked if they could approve the town warning. C. Letourneau informed them 180 • they need to have the budget numbers before any of that can be done. 181 D. Greenbacker - Action late payment penalty 182 C. Letourneau reported that they were supposed to send a check before the end of the year. 183 • A. Edwards reported receiving it today. C. Letourneau said it was supposed to be paid by 184 the end of the year and because it was not, we can assess a late fee. They reported they 185 tried to wire it to our account, but it was returned to them. C. Letourneau questioned if they 186 had called to get our account information to send it to and they said no. C. Letourneau said 187
- 188 they normally send a check. C. Letourneau asked the board if they would like to waive the
  189 late fee knowing that this was a new contract which was just negotiated or if they want to
  190 access a possibly 8% late fee. D. Thomas said he is willing to be lenient the first time
  191 around. C. Letourneau said they are normally very good at getting it to us in time.
  - C. Rosenquist made a motion to waive the possibility of a late fee for Greenbacker, N. Martin seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
  - J. Comstock asked about the details of the Greenbacker money. Discussion was had.

### 195 **7. OTHER**

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• Nothing was discussed at this time.

### 197 8. PLAN NEXT MEETING AGENDA

- 198A. Regular Meeting
- 01.22.2024
- C. Rosenquist asked if they need to schedule another meeting before then to approve the budget. C. Letourneau said they need to approve the budget on Monday because she needs to get the warning out. N. Martin confirmed these numbers were on the sharepoint, D.
   Bergstrom confirmed. The board asked D. Bergstrom to send the information to the departments to look at.
- J. Comstock asked what action items are moving forward. N. Martin said he can make screenshots of their budgets as they are now and send it to them and then they will have to get back to the administration by Friday. Whatever changes they can make will only bring the number down further, so it will only benefit them.

- At 6:38 p.m. C. Rosenquist made a motion to enter executive session to discuss issues
   where premature knowledge may be detrimental to the board or people involved, N. Martin seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
- 212 9. EXECUTIVE SESSION (if needed, pursuant to 1 V.S.A sec 313)
- At 6:39 p.m. C. Rosenquist made a motion to go to executive session with the board and our town administrator for the administrator to speak with the board, S. Jenkins seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
- A. Personnel Highway Hire action will need to be taken out of executive session
- 217 B. Personnel Admin
- At 7:05 p.m. C. Rosenquist made a motion to exit executive session, N. Martin seconded.
   All in favor, motion carried.

#### 220 **10. ADJOURN**

- At 7:05 p.m. C., Rosenquist made a motion to adjourn, N. Martin seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
- 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.
- 225 Signed: Cheryl Letourneau, Town Administrator
- 226 Phone: 802-524-3524 | Fax: 802-524-3543 | Website: townofgeorgia.com



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2		Selectboard Regular Meeting
3		Monday, February 12, 2024
4		Chris Letourneau Meeting Room and via Zoom
5		Minutes
6		6:00 p.m.
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13	1.	CALL TO ORDER
14		• Selectboard Present: Devon Thomas Chair, Shannon Jenkins Vice-Chair, Carl Rosenquist
15		Selectboard Zoom: Jamie Comstock
16		• Staff Present: Dawn Penney, April Edwards
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18 19		• <b>Public Present:</b> Suzanna Brown, Heather Dunsmore, Heather Grimm, Fred Grimm, Martha Jansen
20		Public Zoom: Karen Heinlein-Grenier, Terry Cleveland, Todd Cadieux, Bridget Stone,
21		Frank Gore, Bethany Langevin, Kristina Senna, Sue Webster
22		• At 6:00 p.m. – D. Thomas called the meeting to order.
23	2.	PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
24	3.	CHAIR UPDATE
25	4.	ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA
26		• C. Rosenquist make a motion to add payroll warrants: 2024-001, 002, 003, 004, 2024-
27		0021, 0033 to the agenda, S. Jenkins seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
28		• D. Thomas said that S. Brown asked to be added as the Transportation Advisory
29		Committee representative. C. Rosenquist made a motion to add this to the agenda, S.
30		Jenkins seconded. All in favor, motion carried. She is added first under board business.
31	5.	SELECTBOARD MINUTES AND WARRANTS
32		A. Approval of Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes for 01.22.2024

33 34		• C. Rosenquist made a motion to approve 01.22.2024 minutes with corrections, S. Jenkins seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
35		01.17.2024 Budget meeting minutes
36 37 38 39 40 41		<ul> <li>C. Rosenquist made a motion to approve the 01.17.2024 minutes with corrections. This motion was not seconded and failed on the floor. C. Rosenquist asked for the time to be added to the top of the minutes.</li> <li>Discussion was had with "Special" versus "Budget" in the meeting title.</li> <li>S. Jenkins made a motion to move the 01.17.2024 minutes to the next meeting, C. Rosenquist seconded. All in favor, motion carried.</li> </ul>
42 43		01.03.2024 Budget meeting corrections on approved minutes. Removal of S. Jenkins name from attendance and added the missing start time.
44 45		• C. Rosenquist made a motion to approve the 01.03.2024 minutes with corrections, S. Jenkins seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
46		B. Approval of Warrants #2 & #3
47 48 49 50		<ul> <li>C. Rosenquist made a motion to approve Warrant #2, S. Jenkins seconded. All in favor, motion carried.</li> <li>C. Rosenquist made a motion to approve Warrant #3, S. Jenkins seconded. All in favor, motion carried.</li> </ul>
51 52		C. Approval of Warrants 2024-001, 2024-002, 2024-003, 2024-004, 2024-0021, 2024-03 - Addition
53 54		• C. Rosenquist made a motion to approve all of the payroll warrants as presented, S. Jenkins seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
55	6.	PUBLIC COMMENT (For items not on agenda)
56 57		All participants must clearly state their names. Appropriate actions will be considered once the Selectboard has reviewed the information provided and necessary subsequent research.
58	7.	CORRESPONDENCE
59	8.	UNFINISHED BUSINESS
60	9.	BOARD BUSINESS (Public comment on agenda items limited to 5 minutes)
61		A. Transportation Advisory Committee – Suzanna Brown – Addition
62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69		<ul> <li>S. Brown presented information that the state is not putting new projects on the list for 2024. Nothing is happening soon. We are on the list for Route 7 from Milton to Georgia and the intersection of 104A and Route 7.</li> <li>C. Rosenquist asked if we were on the list for the Rugg Brook Bridge. Discussion was had on this, if the state would cover it, and the potential of coverage in an emergent situation.</li> <li>S. Brown said farms are now pumping their manure instead of hauling it. The pipes are being pumped through culverts or over roads. It is suggested that the town put a policy</li> </ul>
70 71 72		<ul> <li>C. Rosenquist said it would be nice to have a policy presented to them for consideration.</li> </ul>

73 B. Library Grant

•	B. Stone said she would like to apply for a grant from the Vermont Department of Libraries
	for improvements that could potentially make the library ADA compliant. This has been
	something that has been wanted for 20 years. She is looking for a letter of support and a
	commitment that the library will not be moved until 2031 at least. There will be a \$1.4
	million grant for one library in each county.

- C. Letourneau recommended legal writing the letter to ensure future boards will know about the intent. B. Stone said it needs to be done. She is hoping to meet this week. S. Jenkins and D. Thomas to plan meeting with B. Stone to work on this. C. Letourneau asked to be notified if two board members are meeting so that she can properly warn it.
- 83 C. Falls Trail Gully Action need to sign amendment for change.
  - C. Rosenquist made a motion to have the chair sign the amendment, S. Jenkins seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
- 86 D. DEI Statement Committee discussion
  - D. Thomas asked if T. Cleveland would like to say what she would want from the committee because she had done some research.
  - T. Cleveland said that when you adopted a statement instead of a policy everyone agreed that would not be the end of it. She proposed a committee be formed to look into grants available for up to \$10,000 to promote DEI in the community. She would be happy to start the ball rolling on that.
    - C. Rosenquist said the board approved a statement of inclusion, not a committee. He wants to make sure everyone knows these are two different things.
    - J. Comstock corrected that they approved a declaration not a statement.
    - D. Thomas said this will be a new committee with a new charge. Different from DEI, different from what D. Thomas and S. Jenkins did, one to explore grants. What is the best format to put a committee together. D. Thomas questioned if they made a motion to put together a committee and asked if it would be better to wait for N. Martin to do that.
  - T. Cleveland expressed worry that after the elections this will get lost. H. Dunsmore said T. Cleveland is saying that those running are against it and she can say her husband is not. D. Thomas said that T. Cleveland is just expressing an opinion.
- C. Letourneau asked how they are going to do this committee. D. Thomas said it is a committee with a different charge. J. Comstock asked for the next agenda to have an action item. D. Thomas agreed. C. Letourneau said they had a lot of interest last time. She asked if they wanted her to collect letters. D. Thomas said not now because they have not decided how they are going to move forward. C. Letourneau asked what the action item is for the next agenda. D. Thomas said they will form a committee and the selectboard will decide how they are going to put people on it. T. Cleveland suggested asking people if they have any experience writing grants.

# 10. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, TREASURER AND SELECTBOARD SUB COMMITTEES' REPORTS

- 113 A. Town Administrator
- 114 Dash Cameras for the highway trucks \$55.00 per month

115 116 117 118 119			• C. Letourneau said T. Cadieux is looking for dash cameras into each of the highway trucks. Between the highway and fire trucks they would like to have them. The charge is approximately \$55 per month. He is still working on getting them and other pricing. H. Dunsmore asked if the fire department had cameras already. C. Letourneau confirmed that some do. It is just in the works, more details will come forward.
120			Eclipse
121 122 123 124			• C. Letourneau said they have ordered glasses. She asked if the selectboard would like to have a place for everyone to view or if they just want to hand glasses out. She hopes to have them before town meeting day to hand them out. Discussion was had on coverage, what other areas are doing, what we plan on doing.
125		В.	Treasurer
126		C.	Buildings
127		D.	Budget and Finance
128		E.	Personnel
129 130 131			• C. Rosenquist said he needed to get back together with N. Martin to review the Personnel Policy and the Conflict-of-Interest Policy. They still need to look at community and legal recommendations.
132		F.	Public Works/Grounds/Recreation
133			GCEC update
134 135 136 137 138 139 140			• C. Letourneau said that K. Driver had resigned, and she reached out to Sara (Savich) and it did not seem like anyone wanted to chair. C. Letourneau decided to join up, she is chair, Kolleen Caspers is vice-chair. They have had some people join back. C. Letourneau wants to bring back the Memorial Day parade. She has reached out to people who used to be on that committee. The concerts on the green are back, the fall fest, and they are looking for more events. The next meeting is on 02.22.2024 and everyone is welcome.
141		G.	Committees at the direction of the chair
142	11.	ОТ	HER
143	12.	PL	AN NEXT MEETING AGENDA
144		A.	02/26/2024 Regular Meeting
145			02/28/2024 Informational Meeting for Town Meeting
146	13.	EX	ECUTIVE SESSION (if needed, pursuant to 1 V.S.A sec 313)
147 148 149 150 151 152			<ul> <li>C. Rosenquist made a motion to go into Executive Session where early disclosure may put an individual or the board at a disadvantage, S. Jenkins seconded. All in favor, motion carried.</li> <li>D. Thomas requested two separate motions.</li> <li>C. Rosenquist made a motion to invite the board, C. Letourneau, and D. Penney into Executive Session, S. Jenkins seconded. All in favor, motion carried.</li> </ul>
153		A.	EMS Contract

- 154 B. VSP & MPD Contracts
- At 7:47 p.m. C. Rosenquist made a motion to exit Executive Session, S. Jenkins seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
  - It is noted there were no motions out of Executive Session.

#### 158 **14. ADJOURN**

At 7:48 p.m. – C. Rosenquist made a motion to adjourn, J. Comstock seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

#### 161 **TABLED ITEMS:**

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- 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.
- 165 Signed: Cheryl Letourneau, Town Administrator
- 166 Phone: 802-524-3524 | Fax: 802-524-3543 | Website: <u>townofgeorgia.com</u>

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### Town of Georgia, Vermont General Ledger Pag General Transactions: Period 2 Current Year Georgia Date:02/15/24 Ref:GJ# 20240035 Desc:Payroll 2/15/2023

Account	Description	Debit	Credit
1)1-1-00-00-01.00	General Fund Checking	0.00	12058.86
2)1-1-00-00-01.00	General Fund Checking	0.00	4067.15
3)1-1-00-00-01.00	General Fund Checking	0.00	103.25
4)1-2-00-05-10.25	Retirement Withholding	0.00	2870.21
5)1-2-00-05-10.35	Dental Withholding	0.00	53.64
6)1-2-00-05-10.36	Health Withholding	0.00	301.50
7)1-2-00-05-10.37	Vision Withholding	0.00	14.87
8)1-2-00-05-10.38	AFLAC Withholding	0.00	25.50
9)1-2-00-05-10.41	Union Dues	0.00	31.50
10)1-7-05-05-10.10	Administrative Salaries	3325.71	0.00
11)1-7-05-05-10.21	Gen Gov Social Security	345.39	0.00
12)1-7-05-05-10.22	Gen Gov Retirement	160.53	0.00
13)1-7-05-10-10.05	Clerk's Office Salary	1346.15	0.00
14)1-7-05-10-10.15	Asst Clerk's Salaries	972.59	0.00
15)1-7-05-10-10.16	Clerks Office Social Secu	74.37	0.00
16)1-7-05-10-10.17	Clerks Office Retirement	179.81	0.00
17)1-7-05-15-10.00	Treas/ Tax Collect Salary	2560.00	0.00
18)1-7-05-15-10.01	Treasurer Social Security	195.85	0.00
19)1-7-05-15-10.02	Treasurer Retirement	217.60	0.00
20)1-7-05-32-10.00	Animal Control Services	25.00	0.00
21)1-7-05-32-29.00	Animal Control Mileage	64.84	0.00
22)1-7-05-32-10.00	Animal Control Services	1.93	0.00
23)1-7-05-05-45.00	Admin Contracted Services	103.25	0.00
24)1-7-05-20-29.00	Admin Mileage	15.72	0.00
25)1-7-05-36-10.00	Fire & Rescue Salaries	920.00	0.00
26)1-7-05-36-10.10	Fire & Rescue OT Labor	29.33	0.00
27)1-7-05-36-10.15	Fire & Rescue Social Secu	71.03	0.00
28)1-7-05-36-10.16	Fire & Rescue Retirement	80.69	0.00
29)1-7-05-70-10.00	Library Salaries	1807.65	0.00
30)1-7-05-70-11.00	Library Social Security	127.70	0.00
31)1-7-05-70-12.00	Library Retirement	101.35	0.00
32)1-7-10-05-10.05	Highway Labor	4312.38	0.00
33)1-7-10-05-10.10	Highway OT Labor	114.77	0.00
34)1-7-10-05-10.11	Highway Social Security	323.12	0.00
35)1-7-10-05-10.12	Highway Retirement	369.16	0.00
36) 1-7-05-28-10.00	Public Works Salaries	1450.00	0.00
37) 1-7-05-28-10.02	Public Works Social Secur	104.42	0.00
38)1-7-05-28-10.03	Public Works Retirement	126.14	0.00

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Town of Georgia, Vermont General Ledger Pag Section 4. Ite General Transactions: Period 2 Current Year GeorgiaTreasurer Date:02/22/24 Ref:GJ# 20240036 Desc:Payrol1 2/22/2024

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Account	Description	Debit	Credit
1)1-1-00-00-01.00	General Fund Checking	0.00	14787.14
2)1-1-00-00-01.00	General Fund Checking	0.00	5020.65
3)1-1-00-00-01.00	General Fund Checking	0.00	163.93
4)1-2-00-05-10.25	Retirement Withholding	0.00	3037.21
5)1-2-00-05-10.35	Dental Withholding	0.00	53.64
6)1-2-00-05-10.36	Health Withholding	0.00	301.50
7)1-2-00-05-10.37	Vision Withholding	0.00	14.87
8)1-2-00-05-10.38	AFLAC Withholding	0.00	25.50
9)1-2-00-05-10.41	Union Dues	0.00	31.50
10)1-7-05-05-10.10	Administrative Salaries	3742.78	0.00
11)1-7-05-05-10.21	Gen Gov Social Security	377.28	0.00
12)1-7-05-05-10.22	Gen Gov Retirement	199.10	0.00
13)1-7-05-10-10.05	Clerk's Office Salary	1346.15	0.00
14)1-7-05-10-10.15	Asst Clerk's Salaries	1021.84	0.00
15)1-7-05-10-10.16	Clerks Office Social Secu	78.17	0.00
16)1-7-05-10-10.17	Clerks Office Retirement	179.81	0.00
17)1-7-05-05-45.00	Admin Contracted Services	163.93	0.00
18)1-7-05-36-10.00	Fire & Rescue Salaries	3450.91	0.00
19)1-7-05-36-10.10	Fire & Rescue OT Labor	69.00	0.00
20)1-7-05-36-10.15	Fire & Rescue Social Secu	253.04	0.00
21)1-7-05-36-10.16	Fire & Rescue Retirement	84.07	0.00
22)1-7-05-70-10.00	Library Salaries	2211.56	0.00
23)1-7-05-70-11.00	Library Social Security	158.59	0.00
24)1-7-05-70-12.00	Library Retirement	101.35	0.00
25)1-7-10-05-10.05	Highway Labor	4294.80	0.00
26)1-7-10-05-10.10	Highway OT Labor	2853.68	0.00
27)1-7-10-05-10.11	Highway Social Security	462.50	0.00
28)1-7-10-05-10.12	Highway Retirement	524.03	0.00
29)1-7-05-28-10.00	Public Works Salaries	1456.25	0.00
30)1-7-05-28-10.02	Public Works Social Secur	188.30	0.00
31)1-7-05-28-10.03	Public Works Retirement	218.80	0.00

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Town of Georgia, Vermont Accounts Payable

Check Warrant Report # 5 Current Prior Next FY Invoices

Unpaid Invoices For Check Acct 01(General Fund) From / / To 02/26/24

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Vendor		Invoice	Invoice Description	Purchase Amount	Discount Amount	Amount Paid	Check Number	Check Date
ABOVE PAR	ABOVE PAR CLEANING LLC	5165-852	4/23 never sent invoice	1100.00	0 00			
	ALLEGIANCE TRUCKS	x12202763401		190.80				, ,
AMAZON	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES		Hwy, Admin and Fire supp	778.65				
AMAZON	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES		Office chairs, and suppl	366.11				• •
AMAZON	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES		Oil drain tank, office s	257.02				· ·
AVENU	AVENU INSIGHTS & ANALYTICS	INVB051480	3/24 Land records	890.00				•
BLUECR	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF VT		3/24 health ins	19271.34				
BONNETTS	BONNETT'S WELDING	13258	Alum plate, cutting&bend	137.90				
BOUCHOME	BOUCHARD HOME & OFFICE SERVICE	14356	IT 1/30,2/1, monitor	482.50				
CANON	CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC	32026909	Copier 2/24	325.98				
	CHEVALIER DRILLING CO., INC	91403	Water sample	245.00		······		
COMCAST	COMCAST		2/24 65 Plains Rd	64.35				· ·
GAP	GEORGIA AUTO PARTS	340	2.5 gal thinner	29.61				
GAP	GEORGIA AUTO PARTS	447	Heavy duty barrel	4.39				
GAP	GEORGIA AUTO PARTS	443	Barrel	55.67		••••		
GAP	GEORGIA AUTO PARTS	364	Lube filter	9.85				
GAP	GEORGIA AUTO PARTS	730		59.20				
GMLC			Couplings					
	GREEN MOUNTAIN LIBRARY CONSORT		2024Annual membership	1186.64		· · · ·		
GMP	GREEN MOUNTAIN POWER CORPORATI		3/24 Beach 1	34.78		<u></u>		
GMP	GREEN MOUNTAIN POWER CORPORATI		3/24 beach 2	50,65		······································		
	GREEN MOUNTAIN ELECTRIC SUPPLY		Threaded rod, hex coupli	82.55				
	GREEN MOUNTAIN ELECTRIC SUPPLY		Parts	17.81				
	GREEN MOUNTAIN ELECTRIC SUPPLY		Parts	1174.42				
	GREEN MOUNTAIN ELECTRIC SUPPLY		Sockets	48.82				
HAUN	HAUN WELDING SUPPLY INC	0000003150	oxygen, haz mat	54.80		******		
JEL	J & L HARDWARE, INC.	506033	Air compressor, asphalt	196.67				· ·
J&L	J & L HARDWARE, INC.	506154	Returned couplings	-53.96		,		· ·
J&L	J & L HARDWARE, INC.	506418	Water filter cartridge	51,97	0.00			//
JOHNSON	JOHNSON CONTROLS FIRE PROTECTI	23971428	FD annual fire alarm ins	385.99	0.00			//
	LENOVO	4645047934	Laptop Bridget purchased	587, 99	0.00			//
MRS	MILTON RENTAL & SALES INC	1-649124	Propane refill	28.00	0.00			//
MYMONEYBC	MYMONEYBCBSVT	40904005	HRA w/drawal	305:77	0.00		*******	//
MYMONEYBC	MYMONEYBCBSVT	40888735	HRA 2/7/24	326.18	0.00			//
NEDENT	NORTHEAST DELTA DENTAL	3/24 DENTAL	3/24 dental ins.	628.26	0.00			//
NETSVT	NORTHEAST EMERGENCY TRAINING S	2/13/24FIRE	FD & Rescue training	350.00	0.00			//
PAYCHEX	PAYCHEX	4799128	2/24 Kiosks	75.00	0.00			//
PESTPRO	PESTPRO, INC.	173231	Pest control 2/24	75.00	0.00			//
PRIORITY	PRIORITY EXPRESS	80592348	11/23 Lib grant expense	191,12	0.00			//
PRIORITY	PRIORITY EXPRESS	80592353	12/23 Lib grant expense	170.34	0.00			//
QUADIENT	QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC	2/24 POSTAGE	2/24 Postage	1003.00	0.00			//
R.R.CHARL	R R CHARLEBOIS INC	IE48129	Freightliner drain plug	24.11	0.00			//
REYNOL	REYNOLDS AND SON INC	3436124	Single pt charger	106.40	0.00			//
REYNOL	REYNOLDS AND SON INC	3436366	Flow tests	1404.50	0.00			//
REYNOL	REYNOLDS AND SON INC	3436123	FD turnout gear	950.15	0.00			//
ROWLEY	ROWLEY FUELS PROPANE LLC	1/24 #2DIESE	1/24 #2 diesel	2454.55	0.00			//
ROWLEY	ROWLEY FUELS PROPANE LLC	509180	#2 diesel 2/13/24	4127.12	0.00			//
SHELBU	SHELBURNE LIMESTONE CORPORATIO	83959	2/12-2/13/24 Rock fines,	1812.67	0.00			//
SHERWIN	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS	02/13/2024	Paint	103.98	0.00			//
	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS	2/21/24	Paint supplies	14,86				
	SHUFORD, FELIX & STEPHANIE	2/20/24	Refund for taxes 2023	756.68				
	,	-,,			0.00	2010/02/2010/0	Contraction of the	,,-

#### Town of Georgia, Vermont Accounts Payable

Check Warrant Report # 5 Current Prior Next FY Invoices

Unpaid Invoices For Check Acct 01(General Fund) From / / To 02/26/24

Section 4. Item #B.

Vendor		Invoice	Invoice Description	Purchase Amount	Discount Amount	Amount Paid	Check Number	Check Date
TAXEXEMPT	TAX-EXEMPT LEASING CORP	9495842	Fire truck pymt 2/24	82338.67				
THERAD	THE RADIO NORTH GROUP INC	24145935	Battery	782.00	0.00			//
TIFCO	TIFCO INDUSTRIES	71944371	Bungees, rubber tarp stra	1015.37	0.00			//
UNIFIR	UNIFIRST CORPORATION	1080195065	2/7/24 uniforms, hand to	83.97	0.00			//
UNIFIR	UNIFIRST CORPORATION	1080196423	2/14 uniforms and suppli	83.97	0.00			//
VALLEE2	R L VALLEE INC	8231974	Non-ethanol super	8.10	0.00			//
VALLEE2	R L VALLEE INC	8231975	Fuel	69.82	0.00			//
VERIZON W	VERIZON	9955657566	Cell phones	80.80	0.00			//
VGS	VERMONT GAS SYSTEMS INC	2/24 83PLAIN	83 Plains svs ending 1/2	1208.37	0.00			//
VGS	VERMONT GAS SYSTEMS INC	2/24 65PLAIN	65 Plains svs ending 1/2	569.50	0.00			//
VGS	VERMONT GAS SYSTEMS INC	2/24FIRE	Fire svs ending 1/26/24	897.81	0.00		****	//
VGS	VERMONT GAS SYSTEMS INC	2/24TC	TC svs ending 1/26/24	234.10	0.00			//
WATER CON	WATERSHED CONSULTING ASSOCIATE	2024-2027	Archaeology assessment, d	7270.00	0.00			//
WBMASON	W.B. MASON CO., INC.	243601940	1/24 Water cooler rental	3.00	0.00			//
WBMASON	W.B. MASON CO., INC.	243809442	Water for 1/24	112.90	0.00			//
WBMASON	W.B. MASON CO., INC.	CM2447795	Returned water bottles	-54.00	0.00			//
WBMASON	W.B. MASON CO., INC.	244367121	2/24Water cooler rental	3.00	0.00			//
WBMASON	W.B. MASON CO., INC.	STMT 60337618	Library supplies	248.98	0.00			//
WBMASON	W.B. MASON CO., INC.	CM2517742	Returned water bottles	-12.00				//
	Report To	tal		137,939.55	0.00	0.00		

To the Treasurer of Town of Georgia, We Hereby certify that there is due to the several persons whose names are listed hereon the sum against each name and that there are good and sufficient vouchers supporting the payments aggregating \$ \*\*\*137,939.55 Let this be your order for the payments of these amounts.

Devon Thomas (Chair)

Shannon Jenkins (Vice-Chair)

Jamie Comstock

Carl Rosenquist

Nicholas Martin

#### 2/21/2024

#### Subject: Request for Contractors

I would like to make a request from the Selectboard. I would like to obtain any construction business.

info that may want to perform work for the Town of Georgia. This request would be available for businesses in Georgia as well as others outside of Georgia. This is not a guarantee for work. It's more designed to save costs when work needs to be performed for a specific job. I would be looking for what types of equipment they possess as well as the hourly rate for that equipment. This would also be beneficial for the unexpected storms we have, like the Halloween storm of 2019 that required more work and equipment than the town could perform or possess. I believe we have a lot of equipment/ businesses around us and the ability to help those small businesses and the town is beneficial to all.

Todd Cadieux Georgia Road Foreman



**Municipal Membership Application** 

Municipality Town of Georgia	
Street Address 47 Town Common Ro	IN.
Mailing Address Same	
Town/City Georgia State	17 Zip 05478
Town/City <u>Georgia</u> State <u>State</u> Tel. <u>\$02524-3323</u> Fax <u>\$02524-35</u>	43 E-mail
Contact Person Todd Cadieux	Road Foreman Todd Cadicus
Public Works Dir. Todd Cadrew X Town Manager Cheryl Letourneau	Bookkeeper Bonnic Nichols
Town Manager Cheryl Letourneau	Safety
Town Clerk _ Chenyl Latourneau	Training

Additional Names and Titles:

#### AGC/VT Dues \$300.00

#### Members of my municipality who volunteer to serve on the following committees:

	Associate (member displays. educational seminar)
Todd	Building (building construction issues)
Todd	Highway & Bridge (highway. aggregate. material specification. etc.)
	Legislative (legislative issues)
Todd	Safety Training (training programs, safety & health issues, educational seminars.)
	Workforce development (tech centers, industry promotion, career placement opportunities)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

AGC/VT Tel. (802) 223-2374• Fax: (802) 223-1809 Physical Address: 1 Graves St., Montpelier, VT 05602 Mailing Address: PO Box 750• Montpelier, VT 05601

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Member \$100.00 Non/Member \$135.00	8:00 AM to 11:45 AM 1/2 Day Course	Topics covered also include: Permit-Required Confined Space regulations Testing for hazardous atmospheres Making a space as safe as possible Step-by-step approach to safe entry And more!	Event Description : <b>Confined Space</b> (4 hour course) OSHA's new rule on confined spaces in construction is in full effect as of October 2nd. This training video covers the changes in this rule. Construction and general industry employees both need to know about confined space entry rules and how the old and new standards relate to each other. Make sure your team stays safe in confined spaces, and keep compliant with the new OSHA regulation. This course is available in person or online.		Regist Registration Fee - All Days Guest Reg. Fee - Kyle Bigelow	Event Name : Confined Space Training Event Start Date : 2/22/2024 8:00 AM Event End Date : 2/22/2024 11:45 AM Venue Name : NERSA at AGC/VT Event Location : 1 Graves Street PO Box 750 Montpelier VT US 05601 Event Registrant : Todd Cadieux	Ithough this confirmation says \$0.00 you will be invoiced the amount shown in the event description.	egistration Confirmation		
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Member \$100.00 Non/Member \$135.00 ₹ 7	12:00 PM to 4:00 PM 1/2 Day Course	used to make glass, pottery, ceramics, bricks, and other products. Silica, though, can also be a hazard. To better protect workers, OSHA issued new respirable crystalline silica standards. Our Silica in Construction Competent Person training teaches the standard operating procedures needed to become a Respirable Silica in Construction Competent Person. A Silica Competent Person is defined by OSHA as someone who is "capable of identifying existing and predictable hazards" in the work environment and who is "authorized to take prompt corrective measures to eliminate them." Superintendents, foremen, and safety representatives typically take on this role. This course is available in person or online.	Event Description : In Person Registration Silica Competent Person (4 hour course) Crystalline silica is a common mineral found in	Guest Reg. Fee - Kyle Bigelow	Registration Fee - All Days	Line Item	Event Start Date : 2/22/2024 12:00 PM Event End Date : 2/22/2024 12:00 PM Venue Name : NERSA at AGC/VT Event Location : 1 Graves Street PO Box 750 Montpelier VT US 05601 Event Registrant : Todd Cadieux Registration Details	Event Name : Silica Competent Person Event Start Date : 2/22/2024 12:00 PM	Ithough this confirmation says \$0.00 you will be invoiced based on the price shown in the event description.	egistration Confirmation
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