

Town of Danbury
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday July 6, 2022, 5:00 PM

Members present: Jessica Hatch, Chair, Tracy Shepard, Ruby Hill

Karen Padgett, Administrative Assistant

Appointments: Road Agent Cornell 6pm

Jessica Hatch opened the meeting at 5:00pm.

At 5:01 Jessica motioned to enter into nonpublic session per

RSA 91-A:3, II(b) *The hiring of any person as a public employee.*

Motion seconded by Ruby and passed 3-0.

At 6:08pm Jessica motioned to return to public session, seconded by Tracy. Motion passed 3-0.

Ruby motioned to make a conditional offer to Christopher Warn for the part time police chief position, pending a background check and signed contract agreement, seconded by Tracy. Motion passed 3-0.

Road Agent Cornell came in to report on the activities of the Highway Department. With the cost of diesel fuel, they are trying to conserve on fuel. The grader uses the most fuel and only goes out when needed. No more paving is planned as the cost of fuel is eating into the Highway Department budget.

Jessica reported on **SB 401** which has been passed by the legislature but not signed by Governor Sununu yet. This bill allocates \$30 million for municipal roads, Danbury's share is approximately \$145,000, which may be paid over 2 years.

Jacob Moran came in to report that the Fire Department responded to a brush fire on Drake Hill Road on 7/2/2022 at 11:03am. The property owner did not have a burn permit and FF Warden Moran would like to bill the property owner for the cost of extinguishing the fire: \$141.00 in wages and \$423.00 for the Class A foam used. Jessica motioned to sign the Forest Fire bill, seconded by Ruby. Motion passed 3-0.

Jessica voted to approve the meeting minutes of 6/29/2022 as written, seconded by Ruby. Motion carried 3-0.

Consent/Signature Agenda

- Payroll and accounts payable
- Intent to Cut Forever Forestlands 403-018
- NH DRA Form stating town will not be using inventory forms for 2023

Jessica motioned to sign the items in the consent agenda, seconded by Ruby. Motion passed 3-0.

Building/Driveway Permit Applications

- **Sanville** 412-025/Juniper Meadow Rd/12 x 12 storage shed/Jessica motioned to approve, seconded by Ruby. Motion passed 3-0.

Old Business

- The Board will draft a letter to Karl Hannan regarding items discussed at the 6/29 meeting on July 12.
- A date of October 29 was set for the auction of tax deeded properties with JSJ Auctions. Notification and right to repurchase to former owner must go out 90 days prior to date of auction. Also, research needs to be done to determine whether 88 High Street is a buildable lot.

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Ruby will be attending an Article 5 Committee meeting on July 13. She received information from the school district of what they believe to be capital costs. Her feeling is that some items are included that do not fall into that category.

FYI

- NH DES to Carl Huntoon for violation
- Response to J. Sottilaro/NH DOT Bureau of Planning
- Septic approval for operation 100 NH Route 104/Hollenbeck and 59 High St/McKenna
- Vacation slips
- Pricing for steel dropping from \$175/ton to \$85/ton
- Notice about increased electrical rates
- Letter to Gemma/Ragged Mt Rd/ no report of wood cut

Jessica motioned to adjourn at 6:32pm, seconded by Ruby. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

The next meeting of the Board of Selectmen will be held on Tuesday 7/12/22 at 6pm.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Padgett, Administrative Assistant