

UNAPPROVED
SELECTBOARD MINUTES
JULY 25, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT: Thomas Wilson, Deborah Baker, Linda Montague, Charles Rockwell and Philip E. Mazzucco.

OTHERS PRESENT: Andrea Lenhardt, Donald S. Lewis, Peter Pelton, Anniken Davenport, Albert Davenport, Christina Cosgrove, John LaVecchia, Susan Nichols and Jed Rubin.

Meeting called to order at 6:42 p.m.

TOWN CLERK:

1. New vault shelving has been installed. Need volunteers to help move the books into the vault room.

TREASURER:

1. Moved certain committed funds into the Town Office restoration fund.
2. The amount of \$24,000.00 must be approved by the Selectboard for the benefit of the Rupert Village Trust and Sheldon Store project.
3. The tax bill forms are here and ready to be mailed out.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Thank you from the Council on Aging for our donation.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Highway: Grant project on Route 315 is done. Been doing roadside mowing and the Town Green walking path has been started.
2. Road Commissioner: Phil said that there were some wash outs on the back roads, due to a lot of rain.
3. Motion by Debbie, seconded by Tom to pay the Listers their annual salary in equal amounts. Motion carried.
4. John spoke of a plan for the Town to access funds for roads and other matters. More information to come later.
5. Anniken said there is new book drop at the library, and more grant money is available for the children's reading program.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Debbie mentioned that the weeds need to be trimmed around the Town Office.
2. Motion by Debbie, seconded by Phil to lower the municipal tax rate from surplus funds by three cents. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Debbie, seconded by Phil to establish the 2023-2024 tax rate at .5282 (municipal) and for the voted contributions at .0575. Combined the rate now amounts to .5857. Motion carried.
4. Cemetery Commissioner Debbie Baker still is awaiting the \$100.00 payment to the Town for us to take full ownership of the North Rupert Cemetery.

Motion by Tom, seconded by Linda to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Montague
Selectboard Clerk