UNAPPROVED SELECTBOARD MINUTES DECEMBER 26, 2023

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Andrea Lenhardt, Donald Lewis, Arlene Bentley, William Meyer, Jed Rubin, Christina Cosgrove, Tiva Lovemark, and Tiffany Ross.

Meeting called to order at 6:32 p.m.

TOWN CLERK:

1. Nominating petitions are due on January 29, 2024 by 5:00 p.m. Town Warning petitions are due by January 18, 2024.

HIGHWAY REPORT:

1. One of the trucks needs a new radiator. The cost will be about \$3000.00 Some small snow storms, and the men have been cutting brush.

OLD BUSINESS:

2. The Merck Forest Foundation taxation issue has been resolved. It appears that the Town and Merck will return to their former arrangement of a yearly payment in lieu of taxes (PILT) as the foundation's goodwill effort to support the Town of Rupert. Charlie will notify the Merck Foundation as to the Selectboard's decision.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. It was the consensus of the Board to sign the errors and omissions document for the Listers. As well, the Listers are trying to estimate the assessed value of a partially constructed home on NIms Road
- 2. Many problems have happened with telephoning our 802-394 to the 518-854 exchange in New York. Tom called our local State Representative, Robin Chestnut-Tangerman about the issue.

Motion by Tom, seconded by Debbie to adjourn Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Montague Selectboard Clerk