



Town of Barnard, Vermont

Chartered July 17, 1761

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SELECTBOARD MINUTES

DECEMBER 18, 2024

Selectboard Members Present: R. Webster, R. Lancaster, R. Edmunds

Meeting Attendees: Kassie Hull, Nick Stone, Ed Jodice, Steve Cota, Kate Reeves

Regular Meeting Agenda

1. **Call to Order** at 7:00PM.
2. **Review/Approve Minutes of December 4, 2024.** Approved.
3. **Review Agenda.** No additions.
4. **Public Comments & Other Business.** No public comments.
5. **Old Business**
 - A. **MERP Mini Grant** – funds approved to be used for a public outreach and education campaign in 2025. Kassie will coordinate with the energy committee and recruit volunteers to help plan.
 - B. **10050 VT RTE 12 Buyout** – Kassie will meet with the Hazard Mitigation Grants Manager on January 2nd to discuss a closing date.
 - C. **Old Fire Station Promise to Lease** – The Selectboard decided to have the voters decide whether the old fire station property should be leased to BarnArts for a proposed 15 years with an annual rent of \$1. As additional consideration, BarnArts will operate the property as a community arts facility to benefit Barnard residents and general public.
6. **New Business**
 - A. **VT 250th Anniversary Commission Request** – The Selectboard agreed to adopt a resolution to *try* to establish a local committee or liaison to work with the commission on related events in our area.
 - B. **Planning Commission Ridgeline Review Overlay Recommendation** – Three members of the Planning Commission attended the meeting to submit their proposed draft bylaw, and specifically the incorporation of ridgeline review standards, and revised standards for driveways, private roads, and steep slopes. The Selectboard will review the documents and hold a public hearing.
 - C. **Highway Department FY26 Budget** – ongoing review.
7. **Town and Highway Orders.**
 - A. Received a Scope of Services from Holt Gilmour Survey Associates for the Cootey Road Survey Plat and Monumentation. Work is estimated to be completed on or before 3-31-25. The Selectboard authorized Kassie to sign and submit the contract and to approve the fee/retainer.
8. **Adjourn** at 9:47PM.



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Minutes prepared by Kassie Hull, Clerk of the meeting. All votes unanimous unless otherwise indicated. The next regular meeting is January 1, 2025, at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall Offices.

Selectboard:

A stylized, cursive signature of Rock Webster, the Chair of the Selectboard.

Rock Webster, Chair

A cursive signature of Richard Lancaster, the Vice Chair of the Selectboard.

Richard Lancaster, Vice Chair

A cursive signature of Robert Edmunds, a member of the Selectboard.

Robert Edmunds