



# Town of Barnard, Vermont

Chartered July 17, 1761

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## SELECTBOARD MINUTES MARCH 5, 2025

**Selectboard Members Present:** Rock Webster, Richard Lancaster, Robert Edmunds  
**Meeting Attendees:** Kassie Hull, Marty Bell

### Regular Meeting Minutes

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1. **Call to Order** at 7:00PM.
2. **Review/Approve Minutes of the meetings held February 19, 2025.** Approved.
3. **Review Agenda.** Addition of 6(C).
4. **Public Comments & Other Business.**
  - A. Marty Bell, who is a commercial landlord, submitted suggested revisions to the draft lease between the Town of Barnard and BarnArts. Suggestions include adding a minimum amount of insurance coverage requirement, a definition of what is considered an “event of default,” and a statement that the tenant cannot assign or sublet. Marty also suggested that if BarnArts receives the right to renew the lease, it should be stated that the renewal terms will be agreed upon at that time and not automatically based on the initial lease terms.
5. **Old Business**
  - A. **10050 VT RTE 12 Buyout.** The Barnard Volunteer Fire Department requested use of the house for interior training prior to the demolition of the building. The Selectboard voted to allow the fire department to proceed. The demolition job will be put out to bid soon; the job deadline is May 20, 2025.
  - B. **Vermont 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Resolution.** The Selectboard signed a resolution to establish a liaison to work with the state commission on observances and activities to be held in commemoration of historic events associated with the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the Revolutionary War between 1775 and 1777, the founding of Vermont in 1777, and the creation of the political foundations of the USA.
6. **New Business**
  - A. **Organizational Decisions.** The Selectboard voted on the following decisions:
    - Chair Rock Webster
    - Vice Chair Richard Lancaster
    - Newspaper of Record Valley News
    - Meeting Schedule 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:00PM in the Barnard Town Offices (downstairs).
    - Posting locations in the Barnard Town Office, on the outdoor Barnard Town Hall bulletin board, on the outdoor BGS bulletin board, and on the Town of Barnard website.



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## B. Appointment of Town Officers.

The Selectboard voted to appoint the following officers:

Solid Waste Supervisor	Kassie Hull
E-911 Coordinator	Richard Lancaster

The Selectboard voted to re-appoint the following officers to another term:

Health Officer: (3-year)	Tom Morse
Conservation Commission: (3-year)	Colin Ruch, Dean Edmunds
Development Review Board: (3-year)	Kurt Lessard, Teo Zagar
Planning Commission: (3-year)	Ed Jodice
Fire Wardens	Scott Mills, Rob Tracy
Green Up VT	Amelia Lennon
Librarian	Margaret Edwards
Emergency Mgt Director/Coordinator	Mike Manning
Ottawaquechee Planning Commission	Ed Jodice
Road Foreman	Nick Stone
Pound Keeper	Wes Hennig
East Ctr VT Telecomm. Dist. – delegate	Dan Leavitt, Alternates Richard Lancaster, Patrick Kell
Solid Waste Attendant	Wes Hennig
State Police Advisory Bd	Mike Manning
State Police Liaison	Mike Manning
Town Administrator	Kassie Hull
Town Hall Supervisor	Kassie Hull
Tree Warden	Richard Lancaster
White River Valley Ambulance	Lynne Tracy
Zoning Administrator	Kassie Hull
Alternate	Tom Morse
Recreation Committee	Dean Edmunds, Lucas Coogan, Eben Farinas, Drew Reeder, Tammy Gerdes, Matt Piper, Michael Lackey, Justin Park

**C. Transfer Station Updates.** Kassie reported that there is a large collection of hazardous waste at the transfer station. The town does not accept hazardous waste; the Selectboard asked Kassie to contact the Alliance to ask how to dispose of it. The Selectboard voted to request a site visit from JP Pest, to arrange with the town crew to deliver electronics to South Royalton, to move



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forward with fixing the office stairs, and to hire someone part-time to help at the transfer station during the busy months to help direct/educate residents.

**D. Payment to Windsor County Treasurer.** The Selectboard voted to pay the \$22,001.42 tax bill from the Windsor County Treasurer in two installments.

**E. Town Hall Cleaning.** Rock Webster and Richard Lancaster voted to give Tess Campell a raise to \$35/hour for her cleaning services at the Town Hall. She had not received a raise since FY19. Robert Edmunds recused himself from the vote.

**F. Community Tree Fund Grant.** The Selectboard voted to apply for a grant for the purchase of 10 blue spruce trees (including delivery, irrigation supplies) to be planted on the land behind the Town Hall.


**G. JOP Special Election.** The Selectboard voted not to hold a special election.

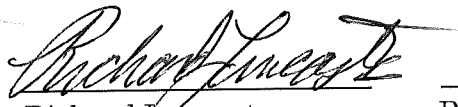
**H. Town & Highway Orders.** Reviewed, approved.


7. Adjourn at 8:14PM.

Minutes prepared by Kassie Hull, Clerk of the meeting. All votes are unanimous unless otherwise indicated. The next regular meeting is March 19, 2025, 7:00 PM, Town Hall.

Selectboard:

  
Rock Webster, Chair

  
Richard Lancaster

  
Robert Edmunds

