



# Town of Barnard, Vermont

Chartered July 17, 1761

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## SELECTBOARD MINUTES APRIL 23, 2025

**Selectboard Members Present:** Rock Webster, Richard Lancaster, Kurt Lessard.  
**Attendees:** Kassie Hull, Nick Stone, Linda Treash, Peter Kahn.

### Regular Meeting Minutes

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1. **Call to Order** at 7:55PM.
2. **Review/Approve Minutes from April 9, 2025.** Approved.
3. **Review Agenda.** Addition of 5C.
4. **Public Comments & Other Business.**

~~A. VSP Sgt. Max Trenosky to visit and discuss policing.~~

#### Regarding Boards & Commissions:

- B. The Selectboard accepted Dan Leavitt's resignation from the Roads Subcommittee. The Selectboard thanks him for his continued service.
- C. The Selectboard appointed Doug Blain to fill Kurt Lessard's position on the Development Review Board. There are now two alternate vacancies.
- D. The Cemetery Commissioners notified the Selectboard that they voted for Lynne Tracy to fill Bob Edmunds' position until the next annual meeting.

#### 5. **Old Business.**

##### A. **Old Fire Station Lease.**

- i. The Selectboard asked BarnArts to define what "operating the property as a community arts facility for the benefit of Barnard residents and the general public" means, so at the time of lease renewal the Selectboard can determine if BarnArts is following the agreement.
- ii. The Selectboard clarified that a reduction in the size of the building footprint would be allowed, but not an increase.
- iii. A special meeting will be held at 7PM on May 7, 2025, to ask residents to vote on the following question: *Shall the Town of Barnard vote on the Old Fire Station lease by Australian Ballot at a special election?*

##### B. **10050 VT Rte 12.**

- i. **FYI:** The Barnard Vol. Fire Dept. will be using the building for interior training on 4/27/25. Heavy smoke may be visible that afternoon.
- ii. **Demo:** Kassie published the Request for Proposals for Demolition and Site Stabilization of the property on 4/11/25. The mandatory pre-bid site visit is at 10AM on 4/30/25. Rock and Kurt will lead the site visit.

C. **Ridgeline Vote.** The Selectboard voted to put the proposed zoning and subdivision changes out to vote by Australian Ballot on Tuesday, June 17, 2025.



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## 6. New Business

### A. Documents to Review/Sign.

- i. FY26 Grants in Aid– Rock signed the letter of intent to participate.
- ii. Fire Warden and Deputy Reappointments – signed to reappoint Fire Warden Scott Mills and Deputy Fire Warden Rob Tracy.
- iii. Barnard Inn Liquor License – signed.
- iv. Notice to Proceed – Richard signed as Vice-Chair because the requested access permit was submitted by Rock Webster.

## 7. Town & Highway Orders. Reviewed and signed.

A. **John Deere Lease Options.** The Selectboard reviewed 5- and 7-year lease options for a John Deere 6105E Cab Tractor with Diamond Mower Cradle Boom. The Selectboard voted to accept the 5-year lease offer with annual payments and voted to authorize Richard to sign documents if Rock is unavailable. Nick stated it should be ready in June; he will follow up.

## 8. Adjourn at 8:55PM.

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

Selectboard:

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Rock Webster, Chair

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Richard Lancaster

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Kurt Lessard