

**Final Minutes**  
SELECTBOARD, TOWN OF PAWLET  
December 27, 2022  
7:00 pm  
Pawlet Town Hall  
122 School Street, Pawlet, VT  
& Virtually via Zoom

Members in Attendance:

Mike Beecher  
Bob Jones  
Jessica Van Oort  
John Malcolm

Others in Attendance:

Kristin Powers  
PEG-TV  
Julie Mach  
Frank Nelson  
Nancy Morlino

**EVENT**

1. Call to order at 7:07pm by Chairman, Mike Beecher, with the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Introduction of those present, virtually and in person.
3. Addition or Deletion of Agenda Items.
  - a. Additions:
    - Use of ARPA funds for Zoning – ZA Report
  - b. Deletions: None.
4. Approval of minutes from previous meeting.
  - Motion made to approve the minutes of December 13, 2022, adding John Malcolm's name to the attendance, and to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2022.
    - Mover: Bob Jones
    - 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jessica Van Oort
    - Discussion: None.

- Result: Bob Jones, John Malcolm, Jessica Van Oort – in favor. Approved.

5. Pre-Requested Appearances by Local Citizens and Visitors: None.

6. Announcements: None.

7. Reports:

A. Zoning Administrator's Report:

- ZA, Nancy Morlino shared one new permit request since the last meeting, bringing the total year-to-date permit application count to 26.
- Nancy requested to utilize ARPA funds to purchase the NEMRC Zoning Module and desktop computer for the Zoning Office.
  - Motion made to procure the NEMRC Zoning Module and accompanying desktop computer.
    - Mover: Jessica Van Oort
    - 2<sup>nd</sup>: Bob Jones
    - Discussion: None.
    - Result: Bob Jones, Jessica Van Oort, John Malcolm – in favor. Approved.

B. Planning Commission's Report:

- No report at this meeting.

C. Road Foreman's Report:

- No report at this meeting.

D. Assessor Report:

- No report at this meeting.
- Meg Campbell and Matthew Schoen of the Preservation Trust of Vermont submitted the Baseline Documentation Report for the Pawlet Town Hall to the Assessor's Office and Selectboard for review. Following review from both parties, Mr. Beecher signed this document.

E. Town Clerk's Memo:

- No report at this meeting.

F. Town Treasurer's Memo:

- Town Treasurer, Julie Mach, shared a memo with the Board, including: an overview of payroll, accounts payable, monies from the General Fund, Highway, and Wastewater.
- Motion made to approve Payroll Warrant #23035 for \$9,647.10 and Accounts Payable Warrant #23036 for \$27,454.65.

- Mover: Jessica Van Oort
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: Bob Jones
  - Discussion: None.
  - Result: John Malcolm, Jessica Van Oort, Bob Jones – in favor.
- Julie Mach established an investment account through Berkshire Bank for the Town of Pawlet. Discussions ensued regarding investment terms.
- G. Emergency Management Director's Report:
- No report at this meeting.
- H. Health Officer's Report:
- No report at this meeting.
- I. Waste Water Treatment Facility (WWTF):
- Mike Beecher shared a facility update from Jill Marsano, VTUMS.
- J. Facilities Report:
- No report at this meeting.
- K. Mettawee School Board (MSB) Report:
- MSB Chair, Julie Mach, shared a report from December 2022 with the Board:
    - The MSB reviewed the first draft of the FY24 budget, continued planning for the March 29<sup>th</sup> Community Engagement event, and will meet again on 1/9/23 to approve the FY24 budget and tuition rate.
8. Old or unfinished business:
- None.
9. New Business:
- None.
10. Public Comment:
- Frank Shared comments about last week's storm, acknowledging the historic statistics of the wind and associated damage throughout the state.
11. Motion made to Adjourn at 7:53pm.
- Mover: Bob Jones
  - Second: Jessica Van Oort
  - Discussion: None.
  - Result: John Malcolm, Jessica Van Oort, Bob Jones – in favor.