

Town of Benton
Select Board Meeting
Monday December 23, 2019

Select Board Members: William R. Darcy, Chair; Regina Elliott

Also Present: Dwight Swauger, Treasurer; and Joe Boutin, road contractor

These draft minutes of the Town of Benton Select Board are believed accurate and correct, but they are subject to additions, deletions and corrections by the Select Board at the next meeting when the Board votes its final approval of the minutes. These minutes are made available at this time to conform to the requirements of New Hampshire RSA 91-A:2.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Darcy at 6:30 PM.

Member Elliott moved approval of the December 9, 2019 minutes, seconded by Chairman Darcy and approved.

The Board discussed the audit of Town finances for 2019 and the Board and Treasurer agreed to again hire Plodzic & Sanderson to review the finances and prepare the NH forms MS-535 *Financial Report of the Town* and the MS-60 audit form. The Board authorized the Chairman to sign the contract with Plodzic & Sanderson to conduct the financial review and prepare the state forms for an estimated cost of between \$3,300 and \$4,300.

Treasurer Swauger reported an operating account balance of \$403,449.11 and an ICS balance of \$233,088.52. Checks for bills prepared by the Treasurer were signed by the Board.

The Chairman reported that the NH Department of Environmental Services sent notices to the Town approving some logging operations and work at the Glencliff Home.

There was a discussion of the need for hiring someone to assist with the filing of documents and reports, especially property records of building permits and deed transactions.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for January 6, 2019.

The meeting was adjourned at 6.45 PM.