

WALDEN SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 26, 2024

Present: Robert Hatch, Brenda Huntoon, Randolph Wilson, Debbie Messier, and Martha Bissell

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm

The minutes of the August 12, 2024, meeting were approved with the correction to Ferguson and the next meeting date to August 26, 2024.

Public comment: Martha participated in the selection of a candidate for the empty Library Trustee Seat. There were two applicants. After discussion the Board approved Tammy Hall. Martha also asked the Board to consider changing our solid waste district.

Better Roads Project Bids: The Town received five bids for the Cobb Road Project. After discussion the project was awarded to Louie Patoine of Walden at a price of \$4,500.00.

Road Report: The Ferguson Hill residents have been notified about the need to maintain an open space for town equipment to turn around. They will comply. The road crew will finish with winter sand this week. They are still repairing, grading, and cleaning out culverts this week and next. Stanley is at full time again. Lonnie will continue through September 6, 2024. Gravel Construction has completed work on the Stannard Mtn. Road. The state is reviewing the need for Walden and Stannard to remove trees from the brook to prevent damage in the future.

Town clerk's Report: The abandoned dog is still at the kennel. The local humane societies are at capacity and cannot take him. The Town will continue to look for a home for him. The 2023 FEMA process is complete with money expected within two weeks. The 2024 FEMA process has started and is promised to be streamlined compared to last year. The office weatherization is underway. It is expected to be completed this week, except for one window on order. The independent outside audit will be put out to bid this week. The lists will put out to bid a request for updating the town property maps that will include the VT State site.

Bills were signed

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm

Submitted by R. Wilson