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**Town of Ira
Select Board Meeting Minutes
Date: July 18, 2023**

Present: Nathan Hewitt, Karen Davis, Bob Toppin, Darin May, Jeff Davis, Jerri Hoffman, Dave Kerstetter, Dan Perry

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm.

Review and approve agenda: Nathan made a motion to approve the agenda, Bob 2nd, ^{passed} unanimously.

Warrant for bills 6/30/23 (2) and 7/13/23: Nathan moved to approve; Darin 2nd; passed unanimously.

Review Minutes: Bob made a motion to approve the 6/20/23 and 6/23/23 meeting minutes, Nathan 2nd, passed unanimously.

Recording: Jerri Hoffman

Business and Administrative

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	RESOLUTION
Select Board	Discussion of appointment of board minute taker	Bob moved to go into executive session for personnel discussion; Nathan 2nd and asked Jerri to join. Moved into executive session at 6:04; out of executive session at 6:05. Jerri as Assistant Town Clerk has agreed to take minutes of the Board.
	Discussion of monthly meeting schedule	Discussed new meeting schedule. Nathan made a motion to move the meeting to the 4th Tuesday of the month due to conflict with Jerri's scheduled; Daren 2nd; passed unanimously
	Set tax rate	Karen handed out Tax Rate worksheet. Nathan moved to approve the municipal Tax Rate FY24 of \$.06708; Bob seconded; passed unanimously
	Ira Volunteer Fire Department letter of relationship with Town of Ira	Dave Kerstetter explained that the letter which was written by Tim Martin was to outline that although the Ira Fire Department does not fall under the municipality of the town its primary objective is to provide services to the town and asks that the Select Board support the Fire Department's request to the Vermont Land Trust to improve its existing property which might involve installing a septic system leach field on land that is subject to a conversation easement. Nathan moved to approve; Darin seconded; passed unanimously. The Select Board signed the letter; Karen will scan and send to Tim Martin.
	Update on Town Garage Salt/sand shed	Jeff indicated that the concrete foundation is complete. He has been back filling as weather permits and asphalt is scheduled for the beginning of August.
	Road Employee	Nathan made motion to go into execute session regarding road employee; Darin 2nd; passed unanimously. Moved into executive session at 6:40; out of executive session at 6:45. Tim Perry will remain as road employee with CDL.
	Treasurer Report	None

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Clerk Report	None	none
Highway Business	<p>Road Employee Update</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. General road update 2. Equipment update 3. FY24 Grants in aid project 	<p>Roads okay from storm. Jeff does want to grade to get more crown; has filled in potholes.</p> <p>All is well. Truck undercoating to be done.</p> <p>Jeff still working on getting bids.</p> <p>Jeff met with VT Trans to review culverts at end of West Road. Their recommendation is to lower drop inlet.</p> <p>Jeff and Nathan looked at drop box culvert also.</p>
Listers	none	none
TOPIC	DISCUSSION	
Public Comments	none	none
Maintenance & Repairs to Town Buildings	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of maintenance concerns from monthly inspection by DHP 	none
Cemetery Committee	None	none
New or Other Business		Clerk has a signed rental agreement for movie night, 7/28/23.
Executive Session (legal, personnel, real estate)	none	See above.
Adjourn		Nathan made a motion to adjourn at 7:00 pm. Darin 2nd passed unanimously.
<p>In my capacity as the minute taker for the Ira Select Board, I certify that the above is a true and accurate copy of the approval minutes of the board meeting held on July 18, 2023.</p>		