

# Minutes of the Westmoreland Selectmen's Meeting

Thursday, December 15, 2022

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Russ Austin, Frank Reeder and John Snowdon.

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Russ Austin
2. Approval of Minutes: December 1, 2022 and December 7, 2022. Motion was made by Frank Reeder, seconded by John Snowdon to accept the minutes as printed. Motion passed 3-0
3. Accounts Payable: Motion was made by John Snowdon, seconded by Frank Reeder to Approve Manifests for: General Fund \$41,228.25 and Fire Station \$16,285.00 Motion passed 3-0. Signature Approval was given for the following:

Payroll: 12/13/2022	USPS \$4.60
Payroll Taxes: 12/15/2022	Invoice Cloud \$61.60
General Journal Entry:	Veterans Flag Depot \$489.60
823 - Bridge Capital Reserve	Eversource Direct Pay \$328.49

## 4. Old Business:

- A. River Road Bridge - Bridge will not receive funding. The Transportation Advisory Committee decided that even though our bridge ranked slightly higher than the Keene projects, it would set a bad precedent to endorse a local bridge project that could lead to future Ten Year Plan rounds being overwhelmed with other red listed bridge projects. John Snowdon will search for other possible funding opportunities after the first of the year.
- B. Boston Post Cane - Hilda Fish to be presented with Boston Post Cane as oldest Westmoreland Resident.
- C. Second Land Board/Selectmen meeting to be scheduled February 2, 2023 at 1pm

## 5. New Business:

- A. Motion was made by Frank Reeder, seconded by Russ Austin to escrow funds into 2023 as follows: ARPA \$88,358.07, State Highway Grant \$70,911.03, Government Buildings Maintenance: (Veterans Memorial) \$5,300.00, (Post Office Floor) \$2,392.00, (Corner School Roof) \$7,050.00, Testing Fees \$2,050.00, Fire Station \$2,349,357.37, Alarm System \$20,000.00, Clock \$19,006.00. Motion passed 3-0
- B. Mulligan Row - Residents of Mulligan Row currently a Class VI road would like to petition the town to maintain the road. In 1932 the Town voted to close Mulligan Row subject to gates and bars. Residents would have to bring the road up to current road standards including paving the road to bring up to Glebe Road which it intersects with. Town voted March 1972 Article 19 that no Class VI road can be opened without

authority of the townspeople therefore residents using reclassifying RSA 231 procedures, would need to do a petition warrant article.

- C. Hazardous Waste Collection - Cost for town to participate in hazardous waste collection days for 2023-2024 season (24 collections) \$2610. Selectmen agreed to continue the program since it helps eliminate improper disposal.
  - D. Question of the month - Snowdon proposed a question of the month on the Town Website to get people involved. Could be used to gather information for updating the Master Plan. Reeder - Discuss February 2nd with land boards.
  - E. Scheduling - Selectboard January 19 meeting rescheduled to January 26, 2023 at 6pm. Budget Committee to meet January 11 and 18, 2023
6. Correspondence - Cheshire County proposed 2023 budget. Thank you notes from health agencies
  7. Budget - Finished working on budget expenses including payroll for 2023
  8. The meeting was adjourned at 8:23pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jodi Scanlan  
Town Administrator

NEXT MEETING THURSDAY JANUARY 5, 2023 1:00PM MINUTES ARE INITIALLY POSTED AS UNAPPROVED SELECTMEN SIGNATURES DENOTE APPROVAL
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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Russ Austin, Chairman

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Frank Reeder

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John Snowdon