

Town of Bradford
Board of Selectmen Minutes
Bradford Community Center Building
Monday April 1st 2024, @ 6:00pm

Item 1. Open Meeting with Pledge of Allegiance: 6:10pm

Board members present:

Julie McCarthy	Chairperson
Edward Nevells	Vice Chairperson
Carlene Oakes	
Levi Surette	
Errol Hanson	

Board members absent:

Item 2. Approve Minutes: March 26th, 2024 Select Board Meeting

date: April 1, 2024

Carlene motion, Errol seconded, Vote 4-0 with 1 Absention

Discussion: Strike Mil Rate from last page of minutes

Item 3: Treasurer's Warrants:

- Payroll # 20
- Accounts Payable # 21

Discussion about payroll

Julie motion, Errol seconded, Vote 4-0 with 1 absention

Item 4: Open Session:

Aktinsom Road condition is a public safety issue. Vehicles are bottoming out. Citizens are concerned that emergency vehicles will not be able to respond.

Chris assigned Erik to address the issue. Erik will inspect and address the issue in the morning.

Item 5 Road Commissioners Report:

Reeves, Atkinson, Williams roads all in need of temp. fixes until spring.

The grader person wants to know many times grading

Budget Warrants

Executive:	\$247,985.00	
Ed motioned, Carlene seconded,		Vote 5-0
Fire Department:	\$78,490.00	
Ed motioned, Carlene seconded,		Vote 5-0
Town Maintenance:	\$97,060.00	
Ed motioned, Carlene seconded,		Vote 5-0
Cemetery:	\$25,700.00	
Discussion: stone repairs		
Errol newline item for stone repairs		
Ed motioned, Carlene seconded,		Vote 5-0
Road Budget:	\$113,800.00	
Discussion: culverts cost increase		
Ed motioned, Carlene seconded,		Vote 5-0
Winter Roads:	\$284,649.00	
Ed motioned, Carlene seconded,		Vote 5-0
Animal Control:	\$11,480.00	
Ed motioned, Carlene seconded,		Vote 5-0
Recreation/Bradford Days	\$7,895.00	
Ed motioned, Carlene seconded,		Vote 5-0
Capital Reserve:	\$110,500.00	
Ed motioned, Carlene seconded,		Vote 5-0
General Service:	\$13,600.00	
Ed motioned, Carlene seconded,		Vote 5-0
Public Works:	\$3,000.00	
Ed motioned, Carlene seconded,		Vote 5-0
Special:	\$855,878.06	
Discussion: This number will change due to the RSU budget		
Ed motioned, Carlene seconded,		Vote 5-0
Revenue Budget:	\$715,205.00	
Ed motioned, Carlene seconded,		Vote 5-0

Articles: 1 - 8 (Page 1)

Ed motioned, Julie seconded, Vote 5-0 with corrections

Discussion on Friday voting times. 10Am -7pm instead of 2pm – 7pm

Errol motioned, No second, No Vote

Move Article 5 forward to become Article 3 then renumber the remaining Articles.

Article 6: Winter road closures

Discussion: Boyd Lake Rd, Casper Dr Chris to look into it.

Articles 9 – 17 (Page 2)

Ed motioned, Julie seconded, Vote 5-0

Discussion: Article 12 Taxes pay due date... October
Article 17 (1 year to 3 years)

RECESSED 6:50pm for Budget Committee meeting

Committee members: Dusty Kelly, Erik Hanson, Derrick Hines, Peggy Nevells,
Matthew McCarthy, Andrew Miller, Late arrival Chantel

Articles 22 – 31

Executive: \$247,985.00

Erik motioned, Dusty seconded, Vote 6-0

Fire Department: \$78,490.00

Erik motioned, Matthew seconded, Vote 6-0

Town Maintenance: \$97,060.00

Erik motioned, Dusty seconded, Vote 6-0

Cemetery: \$25,700.00

Erik motioned, Dusty seconded, Vote 7-0

Road Budget: \$119,800.00

Discussion: Aprons, increase cost of culverts

Erik motioned, Peggy seconded, Vote 7-0

Winter Roads: \$284,649.00

Erik motioned, Dusty seconded, Vote 7-0

Animal Control: \$11,480.00

Erik motioned, Peggy seconded, Vote 7-0

Recreation/Bradford Days \$7,895.00

Erik motioned, Dusty seconded, Vote 7-0

Capital Reserve: \$110,500.00

Erik motioned, Dusty seconded, Vote 7-0

General Service: \$13,600.00

Erik motioned, Peggy seconded, Vote 7-0

Public Works: \$3,000.00

Erik motioned, Dusty seconded, Vote 7-0

Special: \$855,878.06

Discussion: This number will change due to the RSU budget

Erik motioned, Peggy seconded, Vote 7-0

Article 35: Ballfield Maintenance

Erik motioned, Dusty seconded, Vote 7-0

Article 36: Emergency repairs/replacements

Erik motioned, Dusty seconded, Vote 7-0

Article 37: Community Center cistern (water tank)

Erik motioned, Dusty seconded, Vote 7-0

Questions for Budget Committee:

Future Fire Station

Joyce:

Warrant Article to allow the Town to borrow up to an additional \$250,000.00 at town meeting.

Due date of the Grant money?

Would Plymouth Engineering be willing to come to the public meeting? Joyce will call and ask.

Bev asked if article could be included without it being recommended by Committee or Select Board.

A motion was made for a Public Meeting on Monday April 8th at 6pm for the additional funding article.

Erik motioned, Dusty seconded, Vote 7-0

Budget Committee adjourn

Erik motioned, Dusty seconded, Vote 7-0

Budget meeting adjourned 8:03pm

Select Board Meeting called back to session 8:05pm

Public: Any Questions on Warrant Articles: no questions

Articles 18 – 24 (Page 3)

Ed motioned, Carlene seconded, Vote 5-0 with corrections

Article 18: Both Budget and Select Board recommends \$125,000.00

Article 21: TBD up to \$87,785.48

Articles 25 – 32 (Page4) with corrections

Ed motioned, Carlene seconded, Vote 5-0

Discussion:

Article 26: Road Budget

Discussion increase cost of culverts

Ed with draws his motion to accept \$113,800.00 Carlene seconded the with drawal motion Vote 5-0

Road Budget increased to 119,800.00

Ed motioned, Carlene seconded, Vote 5-0

Articles 33 – 37 (Page5)

Ed motioned, Carlene seconded Vote 4-1

Article 34 Strike article

Proposed Article 10: To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of any Town owned realstate on such terms Mac they deem advisable.

Julie motioned to accept, Carlene seconded Vote 5-0

Fire Station Proposal

1. To see if the voters of the Town of Bradford will authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to borrow up to an additional \$250,000.00 for the construction of a Fire Station next to the Community Center. This amount is in addition to \$1,387,000.00 grant and the \$500,000.00 loan approved by voters last year.

or

2. To see if the voters of the Town of Bradford will authorize the Selectmen to temporarily borrow up to \$250,000.00 from the Town's surplus funds and obtain an outside loan of up to an \$250,000.00 to erimbuse the Town's surplus account in order to fund construction of a new Fire Station next to the Community Cemeter. This amount is in addition to \$1,387,000.00 grant and the \$500,000loan approved by boters last year.

Discussion: Option 1 was recommended
Ed motioned, Carlene seconded

Errol made motion that the Fire Station Vote be moved from Saturday to Friday April 26th with proposal #1, vote to be taken in the booth. With a Public hearing Monday April 8th.

Errol motion, Levi seconded Vote 3-2

Newsletter: Julie motioned to accept with corrections, Carlene seconded Vote 5-0

Discussion: Photographer for Website
Julie motioned, Errol seconded, Vote 4-1

Adjourn:

Julie motioned, Carlene seconded

Vote 5-1

Meeting adjourned: 8:45PM April 1st 2024

(Agenda subject to change without notice. Next Board of Selectmen's meeting is
_____, 2024 at 6:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Karen McNaughton
Deputy Clerk

Approved on _____, 2024

Julie McCarthy, Chairman

Edward Nevells, Vice Chairman

Carlene Oakes

Levi Surette

Errol Hanson