

**Draft Minutes – Amended 11/3/22**  
**Town Of Marlboro Select Board Meeting**  
**Thursday, October 27, 2022, 6:00pm**

**Attendees:** Aaron Betts, Chair; Jim Agate, Vice-Chair; Molly Welch, Board Member; Nick Morgan, Select Board Assistant/Town Admin; Linda Peters, Treasurer; Andrea Howe, Assistant Treasurer; Andrew Richardson, Road Foreman; Forrest Holzapfel, Town Clerk.

**Called to Order by Aaron Betts @ 6:01pm**

Identify Any Changes to Agenda: Discussion regarding Clarence Boston request to Select Board

The Board reviewed and discussed C. Boston's letter to the Select Board concerning a service letter to a town resident. The Board wanted to dig deeper into the situation and speak with ACO, Peggy Tiffany, about the circumstances of the services and C. Boston to determine exact nature of the situation. Pending those discussions, the Board deferred action.

The Board also tasked Nick to contact Sheriff to see the procedure for requesting the assistance of Sheriff ACO in serving ACO letters, while Aaron and Molly consult with Peggy and Clarence to clarify issues.

**Scheduled Business**

Unscheduled Open Public Comment - None

Approval of Minutes from October 13, 2022 (Betts/Agate – Passed unanimously)

Signature of Pay Orders - Done

**New Business**

Holiday Schedule

With upcoming Holidays, the Board made the following change to regular SB meeting schedule: Second November meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 22, rather than Thursday, November 24.

There will be no change to the December meeting schedule.

Discussion regarding the possible purchase of Used Truck from Dover Highway Dept.

Andrew, Linda, and Andrea joined the meeting to discuss the potential purchase of a ten-wheel dump truck from the Dover Highway Dept. The truck in question is a 2016 Western Star, complete with Plow and Wing, a 13-foot box and many other accessories noted at the end of these minutes.

Andrew discussed his knowledge of the truck and its maintenance record and the fact that it was in excellent condition and could serve Marlboro for many years. The discussion then turned to the proposed \$90,000 purchase price which is a very good price for the vehicle. Together with Linda and Andrea the Board reviewed and discussed various financing issues, including potential loan for the full price, using ARPA funds exclusively, and a mixture of loan and ARPA funding.

After detailed discussion the Board advanced the following motion:

Motion: To purchase Dover's 2016 Western Star \*4700SF DD13 (see list below for included accessories) from the Dover Vermont Highway Department for \$90,000; Funding source(s) for purchase is pending. (Betts/Welch – Passed unanimously). The Select Board notes that while funding is pending, decision to purchase is firm and committed to by the Board.

Plan for ARPA discussions

In preparation for the discussion on ARPA funds at the next meeting, the Board asked Nick to prepare a list of current allocations and what funds are remaining.

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### Prepare for discussion on Road Plan

In preparation for discussion on the generating a Plan for Marlboro Road repair and maintenance and a general plan for moving forward, the Board asked Nick to pull together Jim's & Molly's lists and plans so the Board can have a cohesive document to work from.

### Town Administrator Report

Nick presented information on several issues:

Regarding the paving of Higley Hill Road and the 1987 Town Meeting article, Nick reported that based on information from the VLCT legal department that there needed to be more clarification on the 1987 article and the Board's requirements regarding blacktopping town roads. To follow up on this issue, Aaron noted that he will contact the town's lawyer and Nick will have further discussions with the VLCT legal department to clarify the situation.

Previously the SB approved the use of ARPA funds to purchase a "Smart Screen" for Town Office to facilitate remote meetings, VLCT Seminars, and other video meetings. Nick notified the SB, that such a screen is not really necessary, and its function can be fully satisfied by a regular 40–50-inch TV monitor for much less money (approx. \$400-\$800, instead of the \$2,500 allocated for the "Smart Screen"). Motion to convert the previously approved funding request for a smart screen to a less expensive TV Monitor (\$400-\$800) – (Betts/Welch – Passed unanimously)

### Notice of Public Hearing and Meetings

DV Fiber Notice of Public Hearing – November 9, 2022 – 5:00p (Online)

Municipal Roads General Permit meeting – November 2, 2022 – 10:30p Putney Firehouse

### **Old Business**

Discuss First Aid Building Financing – Tabled – Linda and Forrest will reach out to the HMCA to discuss solutions and proposal that can be presented to SB.

A. Betts Signature on DMV document - Tabled

**Motion to move to Executive Session to discuss personnel issues @ 7:44p (Betts/Agate – Passed unanimously)**

**Returned from Executive Session @ 8:01p**

Move to adjourn at 8:02 (Betts/Agate – Passed unanimously)

Accessory List for Dover VT 2016 Western Star Truck – 4700SF DD13:

- ❖ 475 HP
- ❖ 8LL Transmission
- ❖ Plow & Shelving Wing
- ❖ 13' Viking Side Dump with air over hydraulic controls
- ❖ Electric Sander Control
- ❖ Rear View and Body Cameras
- ❖ Aluminum Wheels
- ❖ New PTO Clutch & PTO Shaft (7/2022); New Radiator (7/2022); New Rear Leaf Springs (8/2022); New EZ Pedal Clutch (Fall 2021); Brand New (3/2022) Bed Chain
- ❖ 84,000 Miles