

**Town of Brookfield
Board of Selectmen Meeting
January 2nd, 2024**

ATTENDANCE: Rich Zacher, Chairman; Chris Kinville, Road Agent; Ed Gauthier, Selectman; Joanne Dolbear, Treasurer; Karen Servacek, Town Clerk; Craig Evans, Archivist; and Abby Root, Secretary.


Also Present: Ed Comeau and Leah Gage, Jan Ledbetter, Katie Kinville, and Steve Bodkin.

- **Call to Order:** Rich Zacher called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Public Comment:**
- Steve Bodkin, representing Paul Gorrenson, discussed the ownership status of Map #14, Lot 8. The town has no record of ownership for this 20-acre parcel on Mooses Mountain Road and in 2024 took the deed in lieu of taxes. Mr Bodkin indicated that Mr. Gorrenson believes the parcel in question is actually part of property he owns and has been paying taxes on for several years. Mr. Bodkin referenced deeds and recent survey data of adjacent properties as the basis for Mr. Gorrenson's conclusion. Mr. Bodkin agreed to provide his research data to the town for their consideration.
- **Approval of Minutes:** Ed Gauthier made a motion to approve the minutes from December 19th, 2023, seconded by Rich Zacher. The motion passed.
- Leah Gage stated the newsletter schedule is going to be mid-February, May, mid-August, and November. It was requested that town office hours and information on signing up for town emails in the newsletters.
- Karen Servacek said there are new dump stickers and the old ones expire end of January. She also said the absentee ballots requests can be filled out online. They must be sent in before 5:00 pm on the night of the election.

- Chris Kinville stated that there were washouts on Tumbledown Dick Road along with several roads being blocked by trees and culverts as a result of the storm. Culverts will have to be fixed but otherwise the roads are cleaned up.
- Joanne Dolbear presented the fund balance policy as well as the investment policy.
- **Ed Gauthier made a motion to approve the investment and the fund balance policy as written, seconded by Rich Zacher. The motion passed.**
- Rich Zacher presented an intent to cut on Map 25 (Lot 1).
- **Rich Zacher made a motion to approve the intent to cut, seconded by Ed Gauthier. The motion passed.**
- Joanne Dolbear presented the bills with two manifests for 2023 totaling \$1,299.31 and the other \$15,450.27. Two other manifests for 2024 were presented with one totaling \$15,450.27 and the other totaling \$116,765.25
- **Rich Zacher made a motion to approve the bills as read, seconded by Ed Gauthier. The motion passed.**
- Rich Zacher announced that the selectmen would be going into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II (e).
- **Roll Call vote to enter nonpublic session:**
 [Zacher] Yes
 [Gauthier] Yes

Entered nonpublic session at 6:33 p.m.

- **Rich Zacher made a motion to exit non-public session, seconded by Ed Gauthier. The motion passed.**
- **Rich Zacher made a motion to seal the meeting minutes from the non-public session, seconded by Ed Gauthier. The motion passed**
- **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 6:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

 Abigail Root

Secretary