

Board of Selectmen
Minutes of November 1, 2022
Hybrid meeting

Present: LaCava, Papp, Angevine

Recording Secretary: C. Frisbie

Meeting called to order at 5:05 pm by First Selectman LaCava

- 1) Minutes of October 18, 2022:** *Motion (Papp/Angevine) to approve the minutes from October 18, 2022. All in Favor Motion passes 3-0-0*

Papp needed to leave the meeting due to an emergency

- 2) Additions to agenda:** None

- 3) Resignation of RSD6 BOE:** LaCava read the resignation letter sent by R. Rebusmen to C Leone, Superintendent for Region 6, effective October 17, 2022. *Motion (LaCava/Angevine) to accept the resignation of R. Rebusmen. All in Favor Motion passes 2-0-0* LaCava noted that he did send a thank you to Rebusmen for his service.

- 4) Special Town Meeting:** Selectmen need to set a date to fulfill the vacancy created by Rebusmen on the RSD6 Board. LaCava read the draft warning of a Special Town Meeting to be held on Thursday, November 10th at 7:30pm at the Town Hall. *Motion (LaCava/Angevine) to set the special meeting of the Town for Thursday, November 10th. All in Favor Motion passes 2-0-0*

- 5) ARPA Fund request:** The Warren Affordable Housing is requesting an additional \$50,000 from the ARPA funds. LaCava stated this is the amount recommended by the advisory group. It will be a total of \$100,000 given to the Corporation. *Motion (LaCava/Angevine) to expense the additional \$50,000 request to the Warren Affordable Housing Corporation. All in Favor Motion passes 2-0-0*

- 6) Expenditures for FY 2022-23:** LaCava noted that the BoF has received a copy of the financials - their meeting for Nov 2 has been cancelled. No questions or concerns on the financials.

- 7) First Selectman's Report:** LaCava thanked everyone for coming.

- Public Works: Equipment for paving Birch Drive has been dropped off and the work will begin shortly. Public Works continue to clean up brush, the catch basins and trying to control the Beaver damage. J. Tanner has ordered 500 tons of salt and the trucks are ready for winter plowing.
- Social Services: M. Brown is still taking applications for Energy Assistance. The Holiday food program is now open. Applications have gone out. Please contact Missy if you need assistance or would like to help.
- Parks and Recreation: LaCava read the report

- Met with E. Steves (DOT) regarding a point on West Shore Road that is in need of repair. Repairs to keep the road intact until a permanent repair can be done (4 yr projection) will be taking place this year. Unfortunately, the Selectmen from Washington and Kent were unable to attend. This meeting led into a discussion regarding the guardrails on Route 45. Steves will be researching the matter.
- Warren Historical Society held their annual meeting a couple of Sundays ago at the Town Hall. It was very interesting listening to J. Favreau (chair) H. Forstmann (Historian) and C. Nelson speaking on the different aspects of the Town.
- Town Hall staff hosted a Trick or Treat at the office last night (10/31). We had approximately 40 children and parents stop by for candy and chips.
- Solar update: The community field in town does not look to be conducive to placing panels on the property. Not enough space to make a difference.
- Working on the Capitol plan and will have something next time to view
- With the new Land Use Citation Ordinances approved at the Town Meeting, LaCava will need to form a committee and appoint volunteers to hear any complaints.
- The Stop Light in the center of Town has been fixed and is working again based on the flow of traffic. You may also notice black boxes in the center and at the Rte. 45 turn off. This is collecting traffic data for the State's study of traffic flow in the area.
- Our second FLU Clinic will be on Tuesday, November 8th from 11:30am – 1pm, at the Town Hall. Please RSVP to Social Services so we can give VNA a count.
- COVID clinic will be held on Wed., November 16th for vaccines and booster shots. This is for all ages.
- Holiday on the Hill is Saturday, December 3rd on Sackett Hill. The Holiday Newsletter will be going out in the next couple of weeks.
- State DOT has been in town putting in the "rumble" strips in the road
- We have submitted the road/bridge application for in front of the Town Hall. Once approved, the project should be completed in November 2026.
- Met with Arbor Services. Working on a plan/program with the Town and Fire Company to take care of the trees in town. This could possibly be a "sponsorship" program to help with expenditures for fertilization, seeding, mulching, etc.
- Paramedic Services: contract with Trinity is up June 2023. The seven towns are waiting for a proposal from Nuvance Health. Towns will not be able to take this proposal and use as a bargaining chip. We are still waiting to hear from New Milford if they are going to continue to stay in the group or leave. If they leave, the budget amount for Warren would increase dramatically.
- Curbside Composting: Program continues to climb upwards. The Town Hall has bags available for purchase. These bags make it very easy to compost. Just fill the bag, tie, and drop off in the bin at the Town Garage.
- Should have a schedule either this week or next from Eversource on the trenching of power from Route 341 up past the Church to the School. This is to correct the power issues the school is having. Their power currently comes up from the other end of Sackett Hill Road.
- TAHD – a notice from the district on Halloween safety was shared with residents this past Monday.

- Drug take back day was Saturday, October 29th at the Community/Senior center from 10-2pm. Litchfield State Police has a Trooper Liaison Program in place and sent a trooper to the Town to help with the collection of prescription drugs being taken back.
- Going to table the EV and Communications discussion until all Selectmen are present.
- Library update: another side of the library is scheduled to be sided. Been trying to find out information regarding the wire that goes from the library to the school, but it just lying on the roof. Will connect again with the school on their findings.
- We are looking into finishing the downstairs back room to bring up to code. We would like to use this as storage, but need to bring it up to fire code for this usage

Just a funny side note: LaCava met with the Selectmen from Washington and Kent and found out that their Board of Selectman actually have different duties assigned versus our Board. So, to our Board – step up!

8) Public Comment: The following resident(s) spoke:

- Jane Manley

Motion (Papp/Angevine) to adjourn at 5:37 pm

All in Favor Motion passes 2-0-0

Respectfully submitted by
Colleen Frisbie

Submitted attachments are available at the Town Hall, Town Clerk's Office

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