

**TOWN OF SANGERVILLE  
SELECT BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
Beginning @ 4:00pm  
Wednesday, March 15, 2023**

**Item 1. Open Meeting:** Chair called meeting to order at 4:03 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

- A. Selectpersons Present: Mike Wark (Chair)by phone, Dale Gray, Jody Cabot
- B. Employees Present: Lorna Bell, Lance Johnson, Matthew Bell, Gerry Peters
- C. Public Present: Lee Lorigan, Josh Morin, Kara Thurlow

**Item 2. Approval of Minutes:**

**A. Select Board Meeting: 03/01/2023**

Selectperson Cabot made a motion to approve the minutes, Selectperson Gray 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Item 3. Review of the Treasurer's Warrants:**

**A. Payroll - #21, #23**

**B. Accounts Payable – #20, #22**

Selectperson Gray made a motion to approve A & B as read, Selectperson Cabot 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.

**Item 4. Open Session: Limited to 2 Minutes – Extension per Chair:**

Lee Lorigan, landlord of 93 Main Street, discussed renewal of the lease for the current town office.

**Item 5. Old Business:**

**A. Town Hall Building:** None

**B. Solar Ordinance:** Section 5 of Decommissioning Plan the planning board needs to approve either Option 1 or Option 2. Gerry Peters made a motion to approve Option 2, Lance Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved.

**Item 6. New Business:**

**A. 2023 Certified Ratio Report – Josh Morin**

The certified ratio went down to 72% and the state will allow the town to certify at 79%. As the result of the pandemic houses sold for considerable more than their value effecting the assessed value for the town. The choice is to cut by 21% homestead exemption from \$25,000 to \$19,750 and veteran's exemption from \$6,000 to \$4,740. This could also affect BETA and Tree Growth. The other option is for the town to take this hit and this would cause the mil rate to increase raising taxes. The town should consider either completing a full revaluation which would cost over \$98,000 or an in-house revaluation which would cost little over \$32,000, bringing the values to 100%. Josh will prepare a contract for 2024 for an in-house revaluation.

**B. Town Mowing**

We received a new bid for town mowing from a resident from Sangerville who is starting a new mowing business. His bid is \$4950.00. This is \$150 lower than the previous accepted bid, Selectperson Gray mention with how much the budget has increase if it is less money, we should accept the new bid. Selectperson Cabot made a motion to approve the bid for \$4950.00 for town mowing, Selectperson Gray 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved.

**Item 7. Town Manager Report:**

**A. Review Town Warrant:**

Tabled. Have scheduled a Selectboard meeting for Monday, March 20, 2023 so all the board members are present.

**Item 8. Road Commissioner Report: None.**

**Item 9. Select Board Concerns: None**

**Adjourn.** Selectperson Cabot made a motion to adjourn at 5:21 pm, Selectperson 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**THE NEXT MEETING IS MARCH 20, 2023 at the Fire Station (Agenda subject to change without notice)**

SANGERVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENTS CALLS FOR 2023						
Mutual Aid		Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	
Fire - Chimney		8.75	8.75			
Fire - Misc.	0	2.25	2.25			
Fire - Structure	0	82.75	82.75			
Lift Assist	16.5	0	16.5			
Public Safety	0	0				
Smoke Detector	0	0				
Stand-by	0	0				
Storm Damage	0	0				
Landing Zone - Lifeflight	0	0				
Vehicle Accidents	6.75	0	6.75			
Sunday Duty	6		6			
Training	38		38			
Monthly Meetings	13.5		13.5			
<b>Total Mutual Aid</b>		<b>\$ 1,293.75</b>	<b>53.72%</b>			
<b>Total Sangerville Calls</b>		<b>\$ 320.85</b>	<b>13.32%</b>			
<b>Total Sunday Duty</b>		<b>\$ 82.80</b>	<b>3.44%</b>			
<b>Total Training</b>		<b>\$ 524.40</b>	<b>21.78%</b>			

Respectfully submitted,

*Lana Bell*

Town Manager

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Michael Wark

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Dale Gray

*Joanne Cabot*

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