Town of Waltham 2053 Maple Street

Waltham, VT 05491

Special Selectboard Meeting Minutes 2-26-2024

Members Present: Andrew Martin, Brent Newton-Chair and Rhonda Williams

Others Present: Anthony Duprey, Cookie Steponaitis, Linda Devino and Jeff Glassberg-by phone

Brent called the meeting to order at 6:59pm.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss details of our current open grants. Andrew began by discussing the So. Middlebrook Road culvert replacement. We have been granted less than half of the cost from the State of VT. The project has to be completed sooner than later due to the condition of the culvert. Andrew has checked everywhere for additional funding but there is none to be found. Jeff has contacted numerous banks inquiring about the loan amount our residents will be voting on at Town Meeting. He has received positive feedback from two local banks. Both with low interest rates and reasonable or no closing costs. The Board then discussed the steps needed to complete the project and the fact that time is of the essence.

Brent voiced his concern over the Highway Safety Improvement Program grant for tree cutting. We have received notification of the award but no signed agreement and we have spent money on tree removal.

Andrew explained about the Municipal Energy Resilience Program grant that we don't have yet but he is very certain we will receive funding to help with town hall repairs.

Members were reminded that the March 4th meeting will be held at 5:00pm prior to our annual Town Meeting at 7:00pm. The meeting was then unanimously adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Devino

Clerk / Treasurer